

TREASURES On The Bayou

RULES AND REGULATIONS

January 7, 2025

The rules and regulations will serve as a guideline for TAWASI, Dealers and Vendors, herein referenced as Vendors, participating in the Annual TREASURES On The Bayou.

The contract binds the TREASURES On The Bayou and the Vendor to compliance with the rules and regulations of the show.

TAWASI will:

1. Conduct an attractive and efficiently managed show.
2. Extensively publicize the show, the sufficiency of publicity to be determined solely by the Publicity Committee of the TAWASI Treasures On The Bayou Show.
3. Donate proceeds to sponsor local charities as chosen solely by TAWASI.
4. Furnish 8 and 6 foot display tables to each Vendor at a minimal charge per table if requested in advance.
5. Furnish security guards for the show premises during show hours. The furnishing of such guards shall in no way commit TAWASI to any responsibility for loss or damage to Vendor's property. The Auditorium does maintain security cameras.
6. Provide porters on Thursday before the show between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Those Vendors requiring assistance in unloading must arrive by 1:00 p.m. as porters will be available only until 2:00 p.m.
7. Provide porters at the close of the show Saturday beginning at 5:00 p.m. Porters will be available only until 9:00 p.m. Keep in mind that the porters are high school students that are there to help you carry boxed merchandise and furniture. These porters should not be asked to pack up merchandise. If you need additional assistance with packing, contact one of the chairs in advance of the show.
8. Provide "Vendors only area" where Vendors may rest, enjoy refreshments and treats, and visit with club members during show hours.
9. Review all booths prior to the opening of show and notify Vendors if merchandise prices are not displayed or if reproduction merchandise is not marked appropriately as a reproduction.
10. Host a preview party on the Friday morning of the show. Beginning at 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Customers will be paying a higher ticket price. We will have breakfast hors d'oeuvres and drinks for customers and dealers.

Vendor will:

1. Pay a minimum \$100 deposit in advance. The deposit is non-refundable, unless cancellation is received three weeks prior to show opening. Checks should be made payable to TAWASI, Inc. The balance due will be collected on the Thursday set up day of the Show.
2. Display merchandise consistent with a quality antique, art and gift show. Any reproductions must be clearly marked as such. Should this rule not be observed, TAWASI reserves the right to ask the Vendor to remove the item in question from display.
3. Not transfer the contract nor share booth space without prior permission from TAWASI Vendor Committee.

4. Move into booth space on Thursday before the show between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Set up of booth must be completed by 5:00 p.m. Thursday.
5. Arrange for booth to be attended and be ready for sales at all times during show hours which are: 8:00 a.m.– 5:00 p.m. Friday and 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Saturday
6. Vacate premises by 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, closing day. Additional fees will be charged at \$50.00 per half hour after 9:00 p.m.
7. Allow “furniture only” Vendors on at the end of the show on Saturday to park trailers at the doors first.
8. Be completely packed and ready to load merchandise before asking for porter assistance or parking near the exits.
9. Have all merchandise offered for sale plainly marked in dollars and cents with only one amount. "Sale" or like signs are not allowed. Items not marked are subject to removal by TAWASI.
10. Allow no pets in booth at any time, before, during or after the show. This is a city ordinance and **must be strictly enforced**. Service animals **must** have proper credentials.
11. Allow no alcoholic beverages in booths.
12. Maintain an attractive exhibit throughout the tenure of the show. Vendor will not dismantle the booth and pack items until the show closes at 5:00 p.m. Saturday.
13. Collect City of Thibodaux and State of Louisiana sales taxes. Tax forms are sent to your address from each tax authority. Vendors should complete State and Local forms and mail in to the proper agencies with the payment of the taxes collected.
14. Obtain approval from the Vendors Committee prior to display of jewelry.
15. Be able to authenticate merchandise and be willing to refund to the customer, if asked.
16. Wear business casual attire, which is consistent with the type atmosphere and the type customers most Vendors are seeking.
17. Refrain from smoking in the Auditorium. The designated smoking area will be outside the Auditorium.
18. Limit electrical usage.
19. Be responsible for the return of the tables. The 6’ TAWASI tables will be checked in and out. Tables not returned or tables that are damaged will be charged the cost of replacing the table.
20. Position the 6’ TAWASI tables so that they can be emptied and uncovered first.

It is further agreed that the TREASURES On The Bayou/TAWASI, Inc. shall not be held liable in any way to any extent for loss of damage to Vendors’ merchandise or fixtures, from any cause whatsoever, before, during or after the show. Nor shall the TREASURES On The Bayou/TAWASI, Inc. be liable to the Vendor for any physical or personal injury suffered by any such party while on or in the premises covered by this permit.

It is also agreed that the City of Thibodaux, owner of the exhibit center, shall not be held liable to the undersigned Vendor for any damage to, loss of, or destruction of any exhibit or other property of the undersigned Vendor by fire or other casualty covered by an extended coverage endorsement to a fire insurance policy whether caused by negligence of the City of Thibodaux, its officers, agents, servants, employees or otherwise, all claims for such loss or damage being expressly waived by the undersigned Vendor, and Vendor agrees to indemnity and holds the City of Thibodaux harmless from such claims.

Please realize that the building is air-conditioned and tends to be cold at times. You may want to bring a sweater!