

# Western & Wildlife Art Show ♦ Artist Preparation Fact Sheet

## Miscellaneous Information for a Successful Show!

### General:

Participant applications are due January 15. In the event you are invited to participate in the WWAS but later are unable to attend, refunds will be honored through June 1. An exhibitor fee of \$250 for the three day show is due by April 20.

Once accepted for the show, you will receive a packet via email attachment with more information. Press releases and show flyers will be emailed to each artist in May to help promote the show in your area. A complete list of marketing and advertising undertaken by the WWAS is available to artists upon request.

### Venue:

The Veterinary Hospital at historic Fort Robinson State Park is comprised of 25 stalls for individual artist displays, and a large open area to accommodate larger displays. The building features a broad center aisle for the public to walk through the building, and is wide enough to accommodate chairs outside each stall.

Each stall is 10'x10' with cement floors. The walls are covered by 8' high gray painted pegboard (if desired, bring your own pegboard hangars for securing artwork to the walls). You are welcome to bring your own portable walls for displaying your work. The sliding door may be closed in the evenings after show hours. The building is locked overnight.

A Nebraska State Park Permit is required – *even for artist exhibitors*. All artist parking is a short walk from the Vet Hospital, due to limited spaces next to the building. A handful of handicap parking is available on the south side of the building. Trailers can be parked behind the building for the 3 day show. Permits can be purchased at the Lodge office, or online (year permit only).

Food trucks on the Vet Hospital grounds and the dining room at the Lodge are available for meals. The WWAS Board hosts a green room during show hours for artists and volunteers, supplied with snacks and beverages for breaks.

Fort Robinson State Park features rooms in the Lodge, and an RV campground. Once your participation in the show is confirmed, book early – both fill up quickly. The Hilltop Motel in Crawford (3miles) takes online reservations. There are several hotels and motels in Chadron (25miles), as well as local B&Bs.

### Set up:

Community volunteers and the WWAS Board conducts a preliminary clean-up of the venue before move-in. Artists should arrive and be prepared to begin setting up display booths on July 1. Volunteers from the Job Corps in Chadron are available to help. The same volunteers will be available for move out on July 4.

*Other things to know:*

- ♦Table fans are suggested for cooling your space (July can be HOT)
- ♦There is one electrical outlet per stall
- ♦Folding chairs are provided; supply a more comfortable chair for yourself if desired
- ♦Bring a heavy-duty extension cord, a power strip and extra spot lighting if desired; each booth has one overhead light
- ♦The building is not air conditioned but each stall has a window for extra ventilation.
- ♦Stall doors allow you to close your booth for a break and/or for the evening. The building is locked at night.
- ♦Ammenities in Crawford include a grocery store, Dollar General, and restaurants. Chadron has WalMart.