

CoastCon 43 Art Show, Sale and Auction

Dear Artist,

My name is Frank Schiavo and I am the director of the CoastCon Art show and Auction. CoastCon is a three-day, fan-run, general science fiction convention with a literary focus held annually in Biloxi, MS. It is dedicated to the genres of science fiction, fantasy, comics, gaming, and anime/manga. CoastCon has the honor of being the longest running convention of its type on the Gulf Coast and is one of the larger events in our region, attracting members from all across the South. Our convention has also had the honor of working with some of the best and the brightest artists in the nation- artists like you. I'd like to ask if you would be interested in being a part of our next CoastCon Art show and Sale.

The 2020 CoastCon Art Show will feature both three-dimensional and two-dimensional art in a variety of media within the themes of science fiction, fantasy, comics, gaming, or anime/manga. The show will consist of art work for viewing or purchase throughout the weekend and an auction on Sunday afternoon. We will also provide space for a "Print Shop" to allow for sales of unframed or duplicates of hanging art work. For artists who are interest, we also offer a limited number of artist alley tables for artists attending. If you are interested in purchasing an artist alley table with CoastCon 43, please contact me as soon as possible. I would be happy to forward your interest on to the proper department.

For artists interested in participating in the Art Show and sale, you will find the rules for the Show / Auction / Print Shop attached as well as a registration form, bidding sheets, and control sheets. Please fill out these sheets as completely as possible so that the Art Show staff may keep track of your work and sales. We must receive your registration form and/or payment by February 28, 2020 in order to reserve your spot. Mailed in art work must be received by March 2, 2020. You may also deliver your work to the convention site in person on Friday, March 6, 2020 between 9:00 am and 12:00 am if you have already registered for the show. Space is limited and is available on a first come, first served basis.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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CoastCon Art Show/Auction & Print Shop Submission Guidelines

CoastCon is a Science/Science Fiction/Fantasy oriented convention, so please keep this in mind when sending your work. If you think it fits our theme, send it in! We welcome both 2D and 3D art.

There is a \$0.50 per piece hanging fee for art entered in the art show. A name card can be placed with your work at no cost. Be prepared to share panels/tables with other artists. All art should be prepared for display. There is no limit to the amount of art you can enter in the art show. Hanging space will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Walk-in artists are accepted and encouraged but please contact us to reserve your space. Table space for three-dimensional pieces is available on request.

There will be a print shop for prints and reproductions submitted by artists. There is no hanging fee for print shop items, only for art displayed in the art show. Your Print shop items are sold through direct sale, not by bid. We are happy to display a copy of a limited edition print in the art show to promote further copies on display in our print shop. Please clearly describe this promotion method on the art show and print shop control sheets. An original may also be hung in the art show marked "Not for Sale" and prints included in the print shop. Again, just let us know.

CoastCon receives a 12% commission on all art sold through the art show, auction, and print shop. Checks will be mailed to the artists (or their agents if so requested) within three weeks of the convention end date.

Send Mail-in art to:
CoastCon Art Show
c/o: Frank Schiavo
114 Barbara Circle
Ocean Springs, MS 39564

All packages must be clearly marked as artwork for the CoastCon Art Show. Ship all mail-in art in sturdy, reusable shipping containers. Art not sold at the convention may be picked up on Sunday of the convention for attending artists/guests. Mail-in art will be sent back within three weeks after CoastCon (If possible, United Parcel Service (UPS) will be used to return art - it is automatically insured for \$100 and the package is traceable.) In an instance where payment for hanging fees, postage, and any shipping insurance the artist may request isn't provided by the artist or covered by sales, CoastCon will contact the artist to make arrangements. In addition, permission to use copyrighted characters, when required, is the responsibility of the artist. We will cooperate with legitimate efforts to enforce copyrights. CoastCon staff will provide security while the art show is open. When the show is closed, the room is locked.

All art sold at CoastCon is subject to Mississippi state sales tax and CoastCon will collect Mississippi sales tax (7% of sales) as required by law on all sales. Please keep that in mind when pricing your items.

CoastCon does host an after-auction Minimum bid sale for unsold art on Sunday for participating artists. Please let the Art Show staff know if you wish to participate in this sale or not by checking the appropriate line below.

If you have questions not answered by the information above, please contact us at cccfranks@yahoo.com.

Thank you for reading the Artist Guidelines. We hope you have a good convention and sell everything you submit!

I have read and agree with the guidelines above:

Names: _____ Date: _____

I wish to be a participant in the After-Auction/Minimum Bid sale. YES___ NO___