

Bylaws of
The Tomball Art League
A non-profit association

ARTICLE I - Name

The name of this association shall be The Tomball Art League

Article II - Purpose

The Tomball Art League is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The League's mission is to promote the visual arts, provide an outlet for local artists to meet and learn from one another, and enrich the Tomball community through exhibitions, events, and education.

ARTICLE III - Membership

Section 1. Eligibility

Annual membership is open to anyone who submits a properly completed application and pays the appropriate dues.

Section 2. Dues

The Board of Directors may establish annual dues. Payment of said dues will maintain active membership status. Any increase in annual dues will be voted on by the membership.

Section 3. Meetings of Members

General Membership Meetings shall be held at least four (4) times yearly as the President schedules. One annual membership meeting will be scheduled in the spring to elect officers, and one annual membership meeting will be scheduled in the fall to approve the budget and calendar for the upcoming fiscal year. Special meetings may be called by the President or by the Board of Directors, and must be announced to the entire membership at least 4 weeks in advance. Virtual meetings are permitted when necessary.

Section 4. Voting Rights

Each active member over 18 is entitled to one vote on matters submitted to the membership, including:

- Approval of minutes from the prior membership meetings
- Approval of the annual budget
- Approval of the annual calendar of events
- Election of Board members
- Approval of additional expenditures or events as they arise

ARTICLE IV - Board of Directors

Section 1. Composition

The Board of Directors shall consist of four officers:

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Section 2. Eligibility

Anyone who has been an active member of The Tomball Art League for two full years is eligible to run for an office.

Section 3. Authority

The Board governs the association's affairs, finances, programs, and committees, subject to member approval where required.

Section 4. Terms and Elections

Each officer is elected for three years and may serve consecutive terms. Best efforts will be made to stagger terms in such a way that the President and Treasurer do not come up for election in the same year and that no more than two positions come up for election in the same year.

The President shall appoint a Chairman for the nominating committee, and two members shall be elected from the floor to serve on the committee. At a spring meeting, the Chairman of the nominating committee shall present nominees, and nominations may be accepted from the floor as well. The membership shall vote, and the nominee gaining the majority of the votes for each open Board position shall be the new Board member for the coming fiscal year. They may serve alongside current board members during the summer months.

Section 5. Meetings

The Board meets as needed at the president's call. A quorum is the majority of the Board (three officers)

Section 6. Vacancies

Vacancies are filled by appointment of the Board until the next regular called membership election..

Section 7. Removal

A majority vote of the membership may remove an officer at a duly called meeting.

ARTICLE V - Officers' Duties

President

- Chief executive officer
- Calls meeting to order and presides at meetings
- Oversees organizational activities

- Oversees preparation of annual calendar
- Represents the League externally
- Establishes committees and appoints committee chairs with the approval of the Board.
- Ex-officio member of all committees except nominating committee
- May be a signatory on expenses accounts for TAL

Vice-President

- Assists the President
- Presides in the President's absence
- May also oversee a committee
- Works with the President to create and maintain the TAL yearly calendar.

Secretary

- Maintains minutes and records from Board meetings
- Maintains minutes and records from membership meetings
- Works with communications to distribute minutes to membership.
- Retains a binder with copies of past minutes

Treasurer

- Manages finances and accounts with approval of the Board.
- Keeps an accurate record of accounts.
- Submits a report to the members at each meeting.
- Oversees annual budget preparation; may collaborate with other board members
- Signatory on all TAL accounts

ARTICLE VI - Committees

Section 1. Authority to Create Committees

The Board of Directors may create, modify, or dissolve standing or special committees as necessary.

Section 2. Standing Committees

Initial standing committees may include Hospitality, Shows, Demonstrations, Membership, Data Management, Communications, Bank Exhibits, and Publicity/Social Media, or others as determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. Committee Chairs

Chairs are appointed by the President and approved by the Board.

ARTICLE VII - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Committee Chairs, Board officers, and the Past President comprise the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee is a working partnership rather than a voting body. Committee Chairs assist and advise but may not bind the League unless expressly authorized.

ARTICLE VII - Lone Star Art Guild Membership

Tomball Art League (TAL) is a member league of the Lone Star Art Guild (LSAG). TAL shall pay a membership fee by the due date, and the Treasurer shall send the membership fee to LSAG. As a member of LSAG, TAL shall comply with all requirements. TAL board and membership may at various times choose to review its continued affiliation with the Lone Star Art Guild (LSAG).

ARTICLE VIII - Miscellaneous

- The fiscal year is August 1 to July 31.
- Officers serve without compensation except for reimbursement for approved expenses.
- Indemnification is permitted to the fullest extent by law.
- Robert's Rules of Order governs procedural matters not otherwise covered.

ARTICLE IX - Dissolution

Should the Tomball Art League decide to disband, the net amount of funds on hand in the treasury at that time shall be turned over to a non-profit organization that is determined appropriate by vote of the membership.

ARTICLE X - Amendments of Bylaws

These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote of members present at a duly called meeting with at least ten (10) days' prior notice.

Signed:

_____ President, Tomball Art League

_____ Vice President, Tomball Art League

_____ Treasurer, Tomball Art League

_____ Secretary, Tomball Art League

Adopted by vote of the membership on _____