

Dear Artist,

We can't wait to see your art on display at the Choctaw Cultural Center pre-Labor Day Art Show! The Choctaw Cultural Center is a state-of-the-art facility designed to care for Choctaw heritage pieces and tell about the Choctaw journey. Many of the items in the collections and on display are rare and created from materials that are vulnerable to damage from pests like mold, mildew, fungi, insects, spiders, and mice.

To help us ensure that the facilities, exhibits, and cultural heritage items held in trust by the Choctaw Cultural Center are protected and preserved for future generations, we are asking that your art be brought to the Choctaw Cultural Center to undergo at least a **month of quarantine on-site** before being exhibited in the Art Show.

Please help us care for our cultural collections by following the guidelines below before submitting your artwork:

- Please visually inspect all items submitted for the Art Show. Any signs of debris or insects should be removed (e.g., living or dead insects, spider webs, etc.).
- Please pack all items in **new and clean packing materials**. Many times, it is the packing material that is infested, especially if it has been previously stored outside.

In addition to pests, there are a few things we are **<u>not able to allow or accommodate</u>** among submitted artwork:

- These include unsealed liquid, food items, live plants or animals, and open flame.
- Incomplete artwork that requires the artist to complete it on-site.
 - All artwork should be complete at the time of delivery.
 - Larger artwork needing assembly must need **physical assembly only**, no paint, spray glue, epoxy, etc., may be used in the space as it may damage other artwork, personal property, or the facility.

If you have any questions about the quarantining of your artwork, please contact Maggie Malone at <u>mmalone@choctawnation.com</u> or by calling 580/380-9896.

We are very excited that your art will be on display at the Choctaw Cultural Center!

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