



Furpocalypse 2026 Artist Packet

Welcome

We pride ourselves on giving our artists prompt, friendly service before and throughout the convention. Below you'll find all the necessary information and rules for vending at our event. If you have questions, need assistance, or have ideas on how we can improve your experience, please don't hesitate to ask our staff; we're happy to help! You can find us in the Dealers Den, walking around the alley, or via email anytime at artistalley@furpocalypse.org

IMPORTANT

Be aware that we have made a MAJOR change to our Artist Alley process for 2026.

1. You are **REQUIRED** to have a Connecticut State Tax Permit. We are no longer able to provide a checkout service for Artist Alley vendors. Obtain a CT Sales Tax Permit by [clicking here to go to the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services website](#) and selecting "New Business/Need a CT Registration Number."

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Artists' Alley Code of Conduct

We provide a **safe and enjoyable experience** for all patrons and artists alike, so here are a few things to consider before you brave the depths of our Artist Alley:

1. **All artists must have a valid Connecticut State Sales Tax Permit.** Artists are required to provide proof of their CT Sales Tax Permit before they will be allowed to set up their table space. Failure to provide proof will result in a forfeit of your space without refund.
2. Make sure your display fits within your designated table space and does not overlap into other vendors' areas. **No items or displays may block or obstruct the aisles in any way.** Additionally, your display must remain within the height limit of 5'.
3. Be courteous to your fellow artists. Displays that involve distracting lights, music, or loud sounds are prohibited in the Alley. Shouting or loudly trying to attract attention to your table is also prohibited.
4. Any displays, banners, decorations, or items that you wish to attach to the walls **must not damage them in any way.** Only masking or painter's tape can be used to attach items to hotel property. At the end of the convention, please make sure to clean up and remove all decorations before leaving.
5. Artists' Alley staff have final say on all matters, and all decisions made by the **Artists' Alley Director are final.** We reserve the right to revoke your ability to vend at Furpocalypse at any time. **Refunds are not guaranteed after August 28th.**
6. By accepting your position as an artist at Furpocalypse, you are agreeing to abide by the terms and conditions stated in the **CODE OF CONDUCT** and **FURPOCALYPSE ARTISTS' ALLEY PACKET.**

Table Sizes and Pricing

Table Style	Dimensions	Price
Half Table	3' x 2.5'	\$30 / day

Each table will have approximately 3' behind it for seating, storage, and working. As the table is a half table, **there will only be one chair.**

Artist Registration

- All artists must be eighteen (18) years of age or older by the start of the convention.
- Applications for the 2026 Artists Alley will open **June 7th** and close **July 6th**.
- All applicants will be notified of their status by **August 22nd**.
- Applicants who are not initially accepted may be placed on a waiting list, and will be notified if space becomes available.
- Applications are **not** first come, first serve.

Once you have been selected, an invoice will be sent to your PayPal email for your requested table space. You will have until **September 5th** to pay your invoice in full. If we don't receive payment within a reasonable time frame or you do not respond to contact attempts, your application will be canceled.

Artists' Alley Guidelines

Merchandise

1. Artists may only sell their own goods or officially licensed material under their brand. No pirated content, weapons, or illegal materials will be allowed for sale.
2. Food and drink sales or giveaways are not permitted in the alley.
3. Prohibited items are not permitted for display, giveaway, or delivery during or after the convention.
4. Artwork, clothing, and other items containing adult material must be delivered to customers in an opaque package capable of completely obscuring said material from view.
5. AI-generated artwork in any form is strictly prohibited.
6. Depiction of real or fictional minors in adult situations is strictly prohibited.



Adult 18+ Content

1. Adult material must be placed in a covered binder, clearly marked as “Adult” and separated from any non-adult material.
2. Please make sure all display items including genitals and/or female nipples are covered tastefully. This includes larger display items such as banners, dakis, and prints.
3. Items of a distinct sexual nature (insertables, wearables, penetrables) may not be sold, displayed, or given away in the Artists’ Alley.
4. **It is the responsibility of the artist to check if a potential customer is a minor.** A minor badge is color-coded with a bright pink background on their badge name to identify them as under 18 years of age. Any artist caught allowing minors to view adult content and/or selling adult merchandise to minors will be removed from the alley and barred from vending at future events.

At the Convention

Assistants

Artists may designate an assistant to cover their space if they need to step away from the alley during operating hours. As the tables only have one chair, you may only have one person operating the table at a time.

Setup

During setup hours, artists **must** check in with Artists’ Alley staff **first** and then set up their table for the day. If an assigned seating chart is implemented, you must set up at your designated table. **Swapping tables without explicit permission from Artists’ Alley staff is not allowed.**

Secure your Merchandise and Valuables

Artists’ Alley staff and con security are responsible for monitoring the alley over the course of the event; however, **it is your responsibility to always keep your table tended to during open hours.** Furpocalypse, Inc. and Hilton Stamford Hotel & Executive Center are not liable for any damaged, lost, or stolen merchandise or valuables during the event.



Teardown

During teardown hours, artists **must** tear down their table for the day and check out with the Artists' Alley staff.

- Furpocalypse is responsible for leaving the Artists' Alley in a clean and orderly condition, so please be considerate and make sure your space is reasonably clean (no garbage, empty boxes, etc.) before departing.
- **There will be no storage allowed overnight. Everything must be removed from the alley, even if you are in the alley for consecutive days.**

Artists' Alley Schedule

Thursday, October 29th

Noon - 1:00 PM	Artist check-in and setup
1:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Alley open to all attendees
6:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Alley closed - Artist teardown

Friday, October 30th

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Artist check-in and setup
11:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Alley open to all attendees
6:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Alley closed - Artist teardown

Saturday, October 31st

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Artist check-in and setup
11:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Alley open to all attendees
6:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Alley closed - Artist teardown

Sunday, November 1st



10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Artist check-in and setup
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Alley open to all attendees
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Alley closed - Artist teardown

Our staff and alley space will only be available for the times stated above.

All setup and teardown must be completed during the allotted times.

Thank you! We look forward to seeing you in October!

- Furpocalypse Artists' Alley Staff