

## Artwork Needed for Apple Festival

The North Reading Historical and Antiquarian Society is seeking original artwork for the Art Raffle and Art Silent Auction at this year's Apple Festival, which will be held on Saturday Sept. 18.

The annual event at the Putnam House, 27 Bow St., is a fall community staple that brings together dozens of local organizations and thousands of residents to celebrate North Reading.

Residents who donate artwork can decide on whether they want the item to go in a raffle or silent auction or they can let the historical society choose.

Donated artwork can be brought to the Flint Memorial Library at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 17 or contact Ginny Mills at [apple@nreadinghistory.org](mailto:apple@nreadinghistory.org) or (978) 857-6138 to make arrangements. The item will be on display at the library from Aug. 17 to Friday Sept. 17.

For those who would like to donate, please follow these guidelines:

- All art donations must be original, signed works.
- Artists must be 18 yrs. old or older.
- Most media is accepted.
- Framed paintings must have wire for hanging.
- Painted furniture cannot weigh more than 15 pounds.
- Fabric art should be mini or small.
- Sculptural art must be less than 18 inches tall and weigh not more than 15 pounds.
- Jewelry must be mounted for display.
- Please provide an estimated, fair market value for each donated piece. If the donation is for the silent auction, the organizers ask that artists also provide a suggested minimum bid
- Artists should accompany each piece of art with 2 business cards and if desired a biography. One of the business cards should display your name, the title of the work, and the medium.

The historical society will let artists know who won or purchase donated work in a mailing following the Apple Festival.

If you have any questions, please contact Ginny Mills at the below address, via cell phone (978)-857-6138, or email [apple@nreadinghistory.org](mailto:apple@nreadinghistory.org).

Residents can also submit questions to:

North Reading Historical and Antiquarian Society  
c/o Apple Festival, Artists  
P.O. Box 354  
North Reading, MA 01864

Townpeople should make sure to save the date for this year's Apple Festival. The festival will include local vendors and crafters, an apple pie contest, Historical Society merchandise, local entertainment, children's games and pony rides.