

**STANDING RULES
OF
VILLAGE PAINTERS**

SOCIETY OF DECORATIVE PAINTERS

1. Membership dues shall be \$15 per year and shall be payable to correspond with payment of dues of the Society. After July of any year, the dues will be ½ of the yearly dues for the balance of the current year for new members only.
2. The financial records of this Chapter shall be kept on a calendar year basis, from January 1 through December 31.
3. Business meetings of the Chapter (also referred to as General Meetings) shall be held not less than four (4) times annually. Normally the Chapter meets the months of February, April, June, August, October and December.
4. A grant may be presented annually to the President to cover the registration fee for the Convention and for the Leadership Conference for the purpose of representing the Chapter at the Leadership Conference and the Annual Meeting of the Society. If the President is unable to attend, the grant may be offered to another officer. The officer receiving this grant shall attend the Leadership Conference, the Annual Meeting, and those functions which will benefit the Chapter. The attendee shall be expected to provide a report to the Chapter. Any other officers attending the Leadership Conference shall be reimbursed the registration fee for the Leadership Conference.
5. These Standing Rules may be amended by a majority of the voters at any general meeting wherein there is a quorum and notice of the proposed changes have been published in the Newsletter prior to the taking of the vote.
6. With the prior approval of the Board of Directors, the Education Chairperson shall have the authority to:
 - a. invite or cancel teachers for all seminars;
 - b. be responsible for location and publication of all seminars; and
 - c. be responsible for all reservations, rooms and transportation for seminar teachers.

The first year of the two year term is to plan the program for the second year while assisting the second-year chair. The second year is to complete all planned seminars and train the first-year chair.
7. The Ways and Means shall be in charge of the raffles at the general meetings
8. Non-resident members of the Society may visit the Chapter not more than once each year without payment of dues to the Chapter.
9. Non-resident guests may visit the Chapter not more than once each year without payment of dues to both the Society and the Chapter.