Permission Sought for using Town Center Property for Art Crawl

Radiate Art Space is seeking your support and permission to hold our second Art Crawl on the Town Center campus this autumn. With COVID restrictions lifting, we believe we can safely host this community-building art event. The date we are looking at is Sunday, **Sept 26th, from 10am - 3pm**. The overall purpose of the event is to highlight local artists, with a chance for them to sell their work, and also promote the art space and fundraise for Radiate. In 2019, the artists were pleasantly surprised at how much business they were able to generate. These types of events are also beneficial to the town as a whole, especially the local businesses, as it brings more people to our town center.

Similar to the Art Crawl in 2019, we are asking to hold the event on both the Town Center front lawn and the Library front lawn, extending to the back of the library as needed. In 2019, we hosted almost 40 vendors, from professional artists to firsttime/amateur artists, to teens and kids (who had free booths). We are envisioning a similar number of booths this year. The extra space around the back of the library will help us spread out the booths *if COVID restrictions for distancing make that a necessity*. We will be closely following COVID protocol guidance from the VT Dept of Health, but also have guidance from the Arts Council, and other organizations who were able to pull off these types of events last year during COVID restrictions (e.g., the Richmond Farmer's Market).

Other details:

- Radiate plans to direct people to park at Volunteer's Green parking area + the lot behind the dentist.
- Radiate will be renting 1 Port-o-let from P&P septic for the event so that the public is not using the restrooms in the Town Center. Only the vendors/staff will have access to the bathroom in Radiate's space. The other parts of the building will be closed off to the public.
- Radiate is also considering having 1-2 Food trucks this year, but we will be very conscious that they do not offer the same types of food that our local restaurants serve. Alternatively, we will be seeking support from our local businesses and forgo the food trucks if not necessary.
- Radiate will be working very hard to make this event as "green" as possible. (The previous event generated very little to no trash.) All grounds will be thoroughly cleaned by our volunteers post event.
- Radiate has insurance with the Town named as an additional insured and will provide an insurance certificate as evidence.

We received a lot of praise for the event in 2019, thanks to the support of our many volunteers who helped the whole event run very smoothly, and heard no complaints. Please consider supporting this community-building event!