



# Association For Creative Industries Start-up Designer Membership Application

**AFCI USE ONLY:**  
AFCI ID#/Member Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
AFCI approval (initials/date): \_\_\_\_\_

## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Name\*: \_\_\_\_\_ Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_  
State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell (optional): \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Individual designated will receive all AFCI correspondence; will be considered the voting contact for association-wide elections, and is responsible for updating all membership information for company employees, etc.*

Do you wish to receive AFCI informational e-mails?  YES  NO

*Note: Your company cannot opt-out of administrative contact as this is used to communicate important information about AFCI membership and association governance issues.*

How did you hear about AFCI?  www.afci.global  Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. START-UP DESIGNER DUES

To qualify for this membership, a start-up designer is an individual or firm that conceives, invents, creates or executes decorative crafts or artistic work for licensing or for sale to members of the creative arts industry; have been in business for less than two years; have annual sales under \$100,000; and not have been a AFCI member within the past two years. The Start-up category is available for no more than two consecutive years.

Select the annual dues amount for one year or two-year with discount

#### Select Dues Option

90\$ - 1-year membership  125\$ - 2-year membership (savings of \$55)

### 2. PAYMENT INFORMATION

Please complete in full. Checks must be drawn on a U.S. financial institution and paid in U.S. funds. Membership dues are based on an anniversary year schedule. Membership dues are not refundable. At the expiration of your initial membership term (1 year), AFCI will automatically renew your membership at the appropriate dues level for successive one (1) year periods. To opt out of auto renewal, please check here:

Dues: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  CHECK # \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card:  AMEX  MC  VISA  DISC

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CCV# \_\_\_\_\_ Billing Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Print Card Holders Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. SIGNATURE

**Please sign and date.**

Any person, firm, or corporation ethically engaged in the creative arts industry, or branch thereof, shall be eligible for membership in this Association, subject to the provision of the Bylaws.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### 4. Please include the business credentials listed on page 2 of the application.

### 5. RETURN APPLICATION

Return completed application along with business qualifications and payment by mail, fax or email (documents may be sent as attachments) to:

**Association For Creative Industries**  
319 East 54th Street,  
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407-2712

**Email: membership@afci.global**  
**Fax: (201) 835-1282**  
**Questions? Phone: (201) 835-1200**

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## **DESIGNER STARTUP QUALIFICATIONS**

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### **Credentials To Provide:**

1. Business license and Employer Identification Number (EIN)
2. Please provide **one** of the following:
  - Company Check
  - Work contract for services or licensing agreement
  - Written recommendation from current AFCI supplier member
  - Proof of product design and development or design portfolio
  - Sole authorship of a published book, 16-page minimum
  - Proof of three (3) published designs in any of the following media: a multi-authored book, brochure, catalog, magazine, website, video or manufacturer's advertisement or project sheet

## **Employee Information**

How many individuals are employed by your company? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any employees that would like to receive updates from AFCI:

Name\_\_\_\_\_ Title\_\_\_\_\_ Email\_\_\_\_\_

Name\_\_\_\_\_ Title\_\_\_\_\_ Email\_\_\_\_\_

Name\_\_\_\_\_ Title\_\_\_\_\_ Email\_\_\_\_\_

Name\_\_\_\_\_ Title\_\_\_\_\_ Email\_\_\_\_\_

## **Product Lines and Interests**

Please select all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Art Materials                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Instructions/Books/DVDs                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Digital Craft Supplies                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Woodworking/Leathercraft/Metal                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Needlecraft/Sewing/Textiles              | <input type="checkbox"/> General Craft Supplier                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Models/Hobbies/ Collectibles/ Craft Kits | <input type="checkbox"/> Furniture/Lighting/Containers/Storage Supplies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paper Craft Supplies/Rubber Stamping     | <input type="checkbox"/> Home Décor/Framing/Holiday & Seasonal          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jewelry/Bead/Supplies                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:_____                                    |

## **IMPORTANT AFCI MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

The Association For Creative Industries (AFCI) is a not-for-profit 501(c) (6) trade association. Your AFCI membership section is determined by the type of business and services your company performs within this industry; AFCI is not an individual member organization. The membership section chosen will be verified by AFCI and changed to correspond to the Association's business rules if needed. Once your company is a member, all employees are considered members through your organization. For U.S. companies, AFCI dues may be deducted as a business expense. Dues payment cannot be deducted as a charitable contribution.