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JACKSON SQUARE FENCE

Dear Artist Colony,


Please be advised of the completed repairs and restoration of the historical fence surrounding Jackson Square. As a result we are providing a guideline of restrictions for use of the fence to use for display of your original artwork. With your help, these precautionary efforts will preserve the fence for many years to come. Unfortunately we have already experienced damages to the fence where a fleur de lis finial was broken and also a main finial was broken. We appreciate your efforts to help preserve and maintain the fence by following a few requirements.

1. No art weighing over 10 pounds may be hung on the fence. It can be placed against the granite retaining wall in a leaning position. No painted doors, windows, barge boards etc... may be hung on the fence. Artists may NOT chain equipment or carts to fence. Artists may not cover or block signage or historical fence markers.
2. No chains, metal or wire which can scratch the finish, can be used to hang or display art on the fence. Plastic coated bungees, plastic zip ties (which must be removed and properly disposed of), rope, twine or other cloth material may be used.
3. Do Not Block or set up in front of entrance/exit gates at any time
4. A drop cloth or other protective covering must be used to avoid spills on the granite retaining wall and flagstone surrounding the park when painting on site, especially along the retaining wall.
5. Parks Departmental staff and Quality of Life officers will make periodic inspections and if a problem exists will try to rectify it with the specific artist. Offenders may have the Jackson Square Artists License revoked in the future. If you are aware of issues regarding the fence and display of the art on the fence please call Jeniece Black at 504-658-3218 so an assessment of the issue can be made and addressed.

Jackson Squares historical fence is a unique, significant representation of 19th Century cast iron work and we take great strides to maintain and preserve its historical integrity. Every city has its crown jewel, in the eyes of Parks and Parkways, as well as the many citizens of New Orleans, Jackson Square is ours. We have a duty and a responsibility to preserve and protect this treasure for the citizens of New Orleans and its many visitors that come every year. Thank you in advance for all you do to promote our unique culture and love of this great city. We appreciate your diligence to help us maintain our historical heritage and 165+ year old fence. Thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,


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