

Join TWESA

TWESA welcomes your interest in joining our committed team of wedding & events specialists. We invite you to read through the following information, as you will find the information useful in learning more about our organization. Thank you for your interest in joining TWESA, and we hope you will contact us with any questions.

The Tennessee Wedding & Event Specialists Association is a nonprofit trade association that promotes mentoring, networking, and professionalism among its members. TWESA prides itself in being a top resource of the professional services that are essential for creating memorable weddings for today's brides and grooms.

The members of the Tennessee Wedding & Event Specialists Association, Inc., are dedicated to improving the quality of services in the wedding and events industry of Tennessee. All members are expected to uphold TWESA's mission by practicing the highest in business ethics.

A few benefits of joining TWESA:

Joint marketing opportunities

Occasional discounts for industry related products and services

Promotional Benefits: Listings in the TWESA brochure and website with supporting ads in regional magazines and links from major bridal websites

Networking opportunities with industry professionals

Membership Classes

1. Individual (Class 1)

- Membership belongs solely to the individual listed on the application, NOT to the business they represent.
- It is not transferable to another individual.
- The individual listed on the application is the only person allowed to attend meetings.
- The membership is entitled to one vote.
- The membership is entitled to one listing on the website, unlimited blog, picture or video submissions.

2. Corporate (Class 2)

- Membership belongs solely to the business listed on the application - not to any individual.
- It is transferable to another individual, meaning a corporate member may elect to change their representatives, with prior approval. Additionally, if a corporate member's representative holds an elected or appointed office, board seat or committee position, a replacement representative cannot fill that same position without prior approval.
- This membership allows two representatives from the company to attend meetings.
- The membership is entitled to one vote.
- The membership is entitled to one listing on the website, unlimited blog, picture or video submissions.

3. Associate (Class 3)

- Membership belongs to the individual (as described for a Class 1) and must be in conjunction with either an individual or corporate membership.
- It is not transferable to another individual.
- The individual listed on the application is the only person allowed to attend meetings.
- The membership is NOT entitled to vote.
- The membership is NOT entitled to website or marketing privileges.

4. Provisional (Class 4)

- Membership category specifically for those that have not been in business for a year but wish to network with other industry professionals.
- It is not transferable to another individual.
- The individual listed on the application is the only person allowed to attend meetings.
- The membership is NOT entitled to vote.
- The membership is NOT entitled to website or marketing privileges.
- This membership must be sponsored by a TWESA member in good standing.

5. Additional Listing (Class 5)

- This is an additional category listing for your business, and must be in conjunction with either an individual or corporate membership. For instance, if you have multiple businesses under one umbrella, you may purchase one individual or corporate membership, and use the additional listing for your second business. Additionally, if you wish to be listed in multiple categories for your one business on the website, you may purchase an additional listing membership.
- This does not follow an specific individual
- This allows one individual to attend meetings
- This membership is NOT entitled to vote.
- The membership is entitled to one listing on the website, unlimited blog, picture or video submissions.

TWESA Membership Requirements

Effective August 1, 2010

- **Wedding / Events Industry**

To become a member of TWESA, a prospective member must be in a business that supports or promotes the wedding / event planning industry.

- **Membership Application**

Submit a completed membership application with documentation
Documentation may be emailed to Info@twesa.com or mailed to:
TWESA
P.O.Box 330962
Nashville, TN 37203

- **Experience**

Verify that your company has been in Business for at least 12 months at the time of application or verify that you have accumulated at least two years of previous experience in the same field within the previous five years. (Submit a copy of your business license)

- **Professional License**

Submit a copy of any license, insurance or other documentation legally required for your profession.

- **Liability Insurance**

Submit a certificate of basic business liability insurance.

- **Membership Application Fees & Dues**

Submit your "Application & Membership" fees at the time of application.

- **Final Approval**

All prospective and renewing members must be recommended by the appointed Membership Committee and approved by the currently elected TWESA Board of Directors.

Special Requirement for Provisional Memberships

Sponsorship: All prospective **provisional** members must have a TWESA sponsor either by:

- Invitation: Current members (in good standing) can issue an invitation to prospective members and act as their sponsor guiding them through the application process.
- Direct Contact: Prospective members can request or be assigned a TWESA member (Sponsor) to lead them through the application process.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Member Information		
Member Name		
Title		
Business Name		
Business Address		
Business Phone		
E-Mail		
Website Address		
Taxpayer ID #		
Business License #		
County of Registration		
State Sales Tax & Use #		
Membership Class Information		
Membership Type (Circle Appropriate Categories)	Regular Member	\$200
	Corporate Member	\$275
	Associate Member	\$75
	Provisional Member	\$100
	Additional Listing	\$75
Registration Fee	New Members ONLY	\$75
Category Please circle the category which best exemplifies your business. You may choose more than one category if you have purchased additional listing membership(s).	Accommodations	Photographers
	Cakes & Confections	Publications & Shows
	Catering	Rental & Décor
	Consultants/ Event Planners	Sites & Facilities
	DJs	Special Services
	Fashion & Formal Wear	Stationery
	Floral Design	Transportation
	Musicians & Bands	Videography
	Other	
TOTAL DUE		
SIGNATURE		
DATE		

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 TWESA, P.O.Box 330962, Nashville, TN 37203