

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

SOCIETY OF THE FRIENDS OF ROERICH MUSEUM

CONSTITUTION

Article I

Name

The Name of this Society shall be "The Society of Friends of Roerich Museum".

Article II

Object

Purposes

The Society of Friends of Roerich Museum is an international Society devoted to the ideals of brotherhood through art, and of international peace as expressed in the paintings and writings of Nicholas Roerich. The Society of Friends of Roerich Museum will pursue its aims through the extension of the collections of the Roerich Museum, through the issuing of publications pertaining to the creative aim of Roerich and to the cultural work of the Museum.

Article III

Membership

Section 1. Any person who is interested in the aims of the Society of Friends of Roerich Museum is eligible for membership.

Section 2. Prospective members must submit an application stating the class of membership desired and a check for one year's dues. Such applications will be submitted to the Executive Council and a majority vote will be necessary for final acceptance.

Section 3. The term of membership will be for one year from date of acceptance by the Society, and upon expiration will be renewable for a like period upon payment of dues in advance. Membership accepted on or before the 15th of any month will date from the first of that month, and if accepted after the 15th of any month, will date from the first of the following month.

Section 4. Honorary and Correspondent Members may be elected at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Council. Honorary advisors elected to the Roerich Museum will be automatically invited to become Honorary Members of the Society.

Article IV

Governing Bodies

Section 1. The governing body of this Society shall be vested in a Board of Trustees and an Executive Council.

Section 2. The Board of Trustees shall consist of the eleven members that founded the Society. Their term of office shall be perpetual.

Upon the death or resignation of any member of the Board of Trustees the successor shall be elected by a majority vote of the remaining trustees. The Board of Trustees shall have final action on all measures passed by the Executive Council whenever action is deemed necessary.

Section 3. The Executive Council shall consist of the Trustees and Officers of the Society. The Council shall have authority to conduct the business of the Society.

Article V

Officers

Section 1. The Officers shall be a President, one or more Vice Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and an optional Corresponding Secretary. They shall be elected for a period of two years as shall be provided for in the By-Laws and shall hold office until their successors are elected.

Section 2. Honorary Officers may be elected at any meeting by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Council.

Article VI

Meetings

Section 1. The Executive Council shall hold a regular meeting each month, with the exception of July, August and September, the date of such meeting to be determined by a majority vote of the Executive Council, which may also dispense with any such meeting.

Section 2. The Annual Meeting shall be held in December of each year.

Article VII

Quorum

Section 1. Seven members of the Executive Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article VIII

Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Council provided the proposed amendment has been presented to the Council, in writing, at a meeting not less than four weeks previously.