

### **CONTRACT FOR EXHIBIT SPACE**

The 34th Annual Meeting of the National Council for Black Studies, Inc. (NCBS) will be held March 17 - 20, 2010, at the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel, New Orleans, LA. Set-up will be Wednesday, March 17, 2010 at 12:00 pm. Break-down Saturday, March 20, 2010 at 8:00 pm. Times subject to change.

### **APPLICATIONS FOR SPACE**

All applicants must complete the enclosed form and mail to NCBS no later than **Monday, March 1, 2010**. Applications must be accompanied by payment for exhibit space via check, money order or credit card online via the website: [www.ncbsonline.org](http://www.ncbsonline.org). PLEASE DO NOT MAIL CASH! Returned checks will be charged a \$25 fee.

### **ASSIGNMENTS FOR SPACE**

Assignments will be determined by the Exhibit Coordinator with location preference given to previous NCBS exhibitors, and new exhibitors whose applications are received prior to March 1, 2010.

### **EXHIBIT SPACE**

Exhibits must conform to the size of assigned space and must not obstruct the view of others. All spaces include 6ft table, two chairs and trashcan. Included with all booths are (1) Complimentary conference bags, each includes a program booklet, conference handouts and flyers, and (2) complimentary registrations for academic sessions only. Additional conference bags and journals will be available for a nominal fee. Exhibitor registration does not include meals or meal functions, author's book signing, receptions, or banquets.

### **CONTRACT ACCEPTANCE**

Applicant agrees that unless and until the contract or exhibit space is accepted by NCBS, it is not binding.

### **INSURANCE**

Exhibitors wishing to insure their materials, goods and/or wares on display in the Exhibit Hall against theft, damage by fire, accident, loss or liability of any kind, must do so at their own expense.

### **TERMINATION OF MEETING AND EXHIBIT**

Should the premises in which the NCBS Meeting is to be held becomes, in the sole judgment of NCBS, unfit to occupy, or should the Meeting and Exhibits be materially interfered with by reason of strike, picketing, boycott, embargo, injunction, war, riot, emergency declared by a government agency, or any other act beyond the control of NCBS, the contract for exhibit space may be terminated. NCBS will not incur any liability for damages sustained by the exhibitor as a result of termination, the exhibitor expressly waives such liability and releases NCBS for all claims for damages and agrees that NCBS shall have no obligation except to refund the exhibitors a pro-rated share of the aggregate amount received by NCBS (as rental for exhibit space for said exhibit), after deducting all costs and expenses in connection with such exhibit including reasonable reserve for claims, such deductions being specifically agreed to by the exhibitor.

### **WITHDRAWAL**

Withdrawal by an exhibitor will not be accepted unless written notice of such withdrawal has been received by March 1, 2010. Any exhibitor who withdraws by this date receives 50% of said price. After March 1, 2010, exhibitor forfeits entire reservation fee.

### **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

NCBS will not be responsible for any loss, injury to, damage, including fire and theft, which may occur to an exhibitor or to his/her agents, or to his/her employees or to his/her property or wares arising from any cause whatsoever, prior to, during or subsequent to the period of this exhibit. Each exhibitor, by signing an application and contract to exhibit, expressly understands that he/she releases NCBS from, and agrees to indemnify it against any and all claims for such loss, injury or damage.

### **GENERAL RESTRICTIONS**

Electrical or other mechanical apparatus must be muffled so noise does not interfere with other exhibitors. The exhibitor assumes all responsibility for compliance with local, city and state ordinances and regulations covering fire, safety and health. No combustible decorations, such as crepe or tissue paper, cardboard or corrugated paper should be used at any time. All packing containers, excelsior and wrapping paper are to be removed from the floor. All muslin, velvet, silken or other cloth decoration must stand a flameproof test as prescribed by the local ordinance. Volatile explosives or other cloth decoration must stand flameproof test as prescribed by the local ordinance. Volatile explosives or other flammable matters, or other substance prohibited by the law or insurance carrier, are not permitted on the premises. The exhibitor assumes the entire responsibility and liability for losses, damages and claims arising out of injury or damage to exhibitor's displays, equipment, and other property brought upon the hotel agents, servants, and employees from any and all such losses, damages, and claims. Canvassing or distributing advertising matter outside the exhibitors own space is not permitted. Solicitors of businesses, or conferences in the interest of business, except by exhibiting firms, are prohibited. The Exhibit Manager reserves the right to restrict any exhibit which might be considered undesirable. The restriction includes articles, conduct, dress of models, printed matters or anything objectionable to the exhibit as a whole. All points not specifically covered are subject to the decision of NCBS.