

Oregon City Public Library

Art Display Policy

Mission Statement: Art exhibits in the library provide an opportunity for artists to exhibit their works for the purpose of increasing public awareness of visual arts. Preference is given to professional level works by local and regional artists. Art is chosen in order to present a wide variety of art with respect to medium, subject and approach that is appropriate for a public space used by all ages.

About our spaces: There are a number of spaces within the library where art may be displayed. Of these spaces, there are some which may be reserved for the display of art by local and regional artists. These exhibits will be displayed primarily in the Carnegie portion of the library.

Security and Insurance: Art display spaces are unsecured when the library is open to the public and fully locked when the building is unoccupied. Insurance on exhibited work will be the responsibility of the artist. The City of Oregon City is not liable for any loss or damage to the art.

Selection: Artists may contact the library with an email request to reserve a date for an exhibit of their works. The request must include:

- photos of the works they wish to include,
- size of works,
- length of time of request,
- the artist's artistic and regional background,
- and a statement regarding public interest in the art.

Exhibitions may include the work of more than one artist per show and requests may come from an art guild or group.

Sales Policy: Artist will be allowed to offer works for sale. Artwork that is sold during the show must remain until the conclusion of the show. Payment will be made directly to the artist. The library does not take a commission on sales. If an artist has an exclusive sales contract with a gallery, it is the artist's responsibility to uphold the terms of the contract.

Artist's responsibility: The actual installation of artwork will be the responsibility of the artist. The artist will provide the library with a complete listing of titles and sales price of exhibited work. The artist will agree to leave work on exhibit until the conclusion of the show, and remove work according to scheduled uninstall dates.

Guidelines

- Artists must demonstrate a professional-quality body of work;
- Selected work must not have been previously exhibited in the Oregon City Public Library within the year prior to the request;
- All exhibited paintings and photographs must be framed, mounted, or use a wrap-around canvas technique;
- All works must remain in the library for one month minimum. Length of exhibit will be negotiated in relation to exhibit reservation requests.