

Gallery Submission Guidelines I 2023

ABOUT US

The Smithers Art Gallery is located in the Central Park Building on Main Street and Hwy 16 in a heritage building originally built in 1925. Run by a non-profit organization, the gallery is on the main floor and features solo and group exhibitions by local and regional artists. Submissions will be juried by an independent selection committee and evaluated on artistic and creative excellence, originality, representation and impact of work. Application deadline is **September 15, 2023**. If your application is accepted, you will be notified by **October 30, 2023**.

EXHIBITIONS

The Gallery is now accepting submissions for shows to be exhibited from **June 2024 - May 2025**. Applications for solo exhibitions and thematic group/joint exhibitions can be in all mediums. Exhibitions change every 4-5 weeks. The Gallery will exhibit an artist no more than once every 2 years.

CARFAC PAYMENTS

The Gallery will make payments to exhibiting artists based on the CARFAC 2023 fee schedule. We are a Class I, small space hosting exhibitions for a 4-5 week time period. Payments will be made within 30 days of the end of an artist exhibition. Although artists are paid royalties, it is a requirement to have work available for sale during the exhibition at the Smithers Art Gallery.

GUIDELINES

Transportation Artists are responsible for arranging delivery and pickup of work for their exhibition.

Installation Our Exhibition Preparator will install and take down the exhibition in consultation with the artist. Final installation & space usage is up to the Preparator. Pieces must be ready to hang.

Promotion The Gallery will advertise and promote your exhibition through our established social media, website, membership emails, community event listings and posters. Formats will be provided to the artist to use on your own social media on request.

Opening The Gallery will host an opening reception as health orders allow.

Art Sales 75% of works in any given exhibition must be available for purchase. All sales will be conducted through the Gallery. Members will have a commission rate of 25%, non-members 30%. Memberships are \$25/year and must be taken out before the first day of an exhibition.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Application with up-to date contact information and preferred exhibition dates
- Project Description - A clear description of the proposed exhibition (concept and focus). For group/joint applications, explain how all work relates to the theme. (max 250 words)
- Artist Biography - Include education, exhibition history, teaching or other relevant experiences to your art, scholarships and awards
- Artist Statement/Introduction - why and how you make your art (max 150 words)
- Portfolio 10-15 Digital images or high quality prints of the work you are proposing to exhibit or examples of similar work saved as jpg files on USB or sent via email, Google Drive, Dropbox, Wettransfer or a similar platform. All images must be labeled and accompanied by an image list with the artist name, title of each piece, medium and dimension (WxHxD).

Application Form for Exhibitions in June 2024 - May 2025

Name _____ artist curator

Mailing Address _____

Postal Code _____ Email _____

Contact Phone # _____

Social Media Handles

Use additional sheet to list group members if applicable

Type of Exhibition

- Solo Group/Joint

Preferred Exhibition Space

- Full Gallery (110'9"ft) CARFAC \$650 Main Gallery (78'3"ft) CARFAC \$450 Mini Gallery (32'6"ft) CARFAC \$200
- I am willing to have my work shown in any of the gallery spaces
- I am interested in having additional hanging space (up to 40') using moveable walls (full & main only)

Number of pieces you will be exhibiting (estimate) _____ Size Range _____

Preferred Exhibition Dates

1st choice: MONTH/YEAR _____ 2nd choice: MONTH/YEAR _____

- anytime

Dates NOT AVAILABLE for exhibiting (if any)? _____

- I am interested in providing an artist talk/workshop if health orders allow

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: Friday, September 15th, 2023

Successful applicants will be notified by the Gallery Manager by October 30th, 2023.

Applications will be accepted by mail, email or physical drop off

Smithers Gallery Association, Attn: Selection Committee

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For additional information or application assistance contact Nicole Chernish, Gallery Manager
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