

## **Art in the Library**

Art in Fondulac District Library expands the library's mission by stimulating imagination and fostering lifelong learning. The goal is to give local artists the opportunity to present work in a public setting.

Art displays in the library are under the direction of the Library Director and coordinated by a committee appointed by the Director.

Artists must submit an application for consideration, and images of the art to be displayed must be submitted to the committee for approval. The Library does not return review materials. The length and location of an exhibit will be determined by the committee, and an agreement is signed by the artist, who must agree to its terms. Artists are responsible for the installation and removal of exhibits/displays, and all measures related thereto, on the dates and times as agreed upon by the Library and artist.

Artist contact information will be held at the closest information desk to the display. Transactions for purchase of items on display will be directly between the purchaser and the exhibitor. No item that is sold during an exhibit may be removed before the end of the display period, unless approved by the Director under special circumstances, such as Library fundraising. Prices will not be displayed, and library staff will not facilitate sales, unless approved by the Director under special circumstances, such as Library fundraising.

Displays may not contain materials that will decay, become hazardous, or leave stains. Artists may be charged for any damage caused by their display.

Art displays should be within the broad standards of community acceptability and appropriate for all age groups, including children.

All art displays will be considered in terms of the Library's mission to provide educational and cultural enrichment. The following guidelines are used for this purpose.

- Suitability of subject matter for the diverse clientele of Library visitors.
- Physical presentation and artistic medium.
- Quality and technical skill of the materials to be presented.
- Local, regional, or historical interest.
- Artistic expression and vision.
- Space requirements and ease of installation.
- Timeliness, appropriateness to special events, holidays, or community activity.

The Library assumes no responsibility for the preservation, protection, or possible damage or theft of any item displayed or exhibited. All items placed in the Library for exhibit/display are so placed at the owner's risk. The library does not insure any displays or displayed items. Exhibitors may want to explore insurance options through their agents.

The Library Director shall have the final decision on the content and arrangement of all exhibits/displays and reserves the right to reject any part of an exhibit/display or to change the manner of display.

The Library's policy concerning challenged materials will be followed should complaints about a display be received by the Library.

The Library reserves the right to refuse or remove any materials judged unsuitable or to rescind permission for display for violation of this policy.

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