



Call for Orcas Island Artists

For a Series of Temporary (two month) Exhibits at the Orcas Island Public Library
Deadline for Submissions, Friday, Jan. 26, 2018

In its newly expanded space, it is the goal of the Orcas Island Library to increase its support for the visual arts on Orcas Island. The Library is excited to announce the creation of a gallery-like space for art in the much loved Reading Room. (The magazines in the Reading Room have been moved to the east wall of the original building.) The Library also has space for temporary exhibits along the transition (south) wall between the old and new buildings.

The Orcas Island Library has more than 5,000 Library cardholders and is a free and public institution. As such, it is a wonderful setting for visual arts and/or presentation of slide-show lectures by artists.

Among other activities, the Library is planning yearly series of six temporary (two month) exhibits by Orcas Island artists or groups of artists. Artists may also, if they wish, present free and public lectures about their work and/or schedule opening-night celebrations with limited support from the library.

If you are an artist resident of Orcas Island and are interested in showing at the Library, please submit, in person at the library or online to the Library Director, pheikkinen@orcaslibrary.org, as follows:

Name, address, and contact information

Medium (please include a minimum six digital images of your work)

Brief Statement of Interest (150 words maximum):

If you are interested in presenting a slide-show lecture about your work/process, please briefly describe (150 words maximum):

Brief Biography (150 words maximum):

Artists will be selected by the Library Art Committee, including staff and citizen representatives with an abiding interest in the arts. Criteria for selection include artistic interest, artistic quality, and appropriateness for a library setting. The Library encourages both emerging and experienced artists to apply, children as well as adult, artists groups as well as individuals.

Artists must be prepared to install a minimum of six works. All two-dimensional works must be framed and ready for hanging. (The library has a hanging system.) Artists are responsible for both installing and removing their art. Art may be priced for sale, with potential buyers contacting the artist directly. Artists may choose to schedule an opening-night celebration with limited support from the library, in the area of publicity.

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Artist Selection announced February 2, 2018.