

First Friday Downtown Art Exhibits at the Vancouver Community Library

In support of Fort Vancouver Regional Libraries' mission to strengthen communities through knowledge, experiences and creativity, Vancouver Community Library participates in Vancouver's Downtown Association First Friday Downtown. Each exhibit is open during the first Friday of the selected month, 5:00 – 8:30 PM and continues during library hours on the following Saturday and Sunday. Exhibits showcase Southwest Washington artists ranging from amateurs to professionals, providing the public access to a wide range of art displays.

General Information

Art is installed in the Columbia Room, located on the first floor of the library.

Selection is conducted by a library staff committee based on the following criteria:

- Aesthetics, presentation, craftsmanship, medium, size and appropriateness for viewing by library users of all ages
- Interests of the community
- Suitability of format for the library's physical space
- Artists may only submit work for inclusion every two years

Requirements

- Artwork which is two-dimensional must be wired and ready for hanging (no sawtooth hangers)
- Artists will be responsible for delivery and retrieval of their artwork
- **Artwork will be installed exclusively by qualified library staff**

Sales

- Sales must take place in a private transaction between the artist and the buyer
- **Only art which is on display as part of the exhibition will be available for sale**
- Any art involved in a sales agreement must remain in the library exhibition until the end of the show

Liability

The library does not assume liability for injury or damage to personal property which occurs during exhibition. A signed agreement form will be required prior to the opening exhibit.

Vancouver Community Library
First Friday Downtown Art Exhibit Submission Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

*****Note: Email is the preferred method of communication.**

Please circle the months in which you are available to participate:

May June July August September October November December

Submission packet must be received by March 31, 2018

Please submit the following items by email, regular mail or dropping off at Vancouver Community Library:

- Completed Application
- Artist Brief Statement describing your work
- Portfolio of 5-10 images of current, original artwork representative of exhibit
- Pieces submitted in one of the following formats:
 - printed photographs
 - online portfolio link
- Index list of images including medium, title and dimensions

Send electronic submission to: **vaartteam@fvrl.org**

Note: Sample printed images will not be returned.

Vancouver Community Library
Attn: VA Art Team
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