Exhibition Opportunities and Galleries

Columbia Art Center accepts proposals from individual artists, curators, small groups and arts organizations. Artist working in all media and styles, including installation, are encouraged to apply.

Columbia Art Center features three exhibition spaces: the Main Gallery, Window Gallery, and Studio 1 Gallery. The Main and Window galleries can be used jointly for a large exhibition or separately for smaller shows. The Studio 1 Gallery is a classroom/rental space that showcases emerging artists and some community shows. All exhibition applications must submit to a jury or selection process.

We suggest that you visit the galleries before submitting a proposal so that you can specify the gallery or space best suited to your work. We reserve the right to select which gallery is most appropriate for the proposed exhibition.

Each application must include a non-refundable $25 application fee. Exhibition proposals will be reviewed by the Gallery Committee on an ongoing basis. Applicants will be notified within three months of application submission. If you would like to be on our notification list for open admission calls to art shows, please fill out the appropriate line on the entry form.

General Exhibition Policy

Work must be received ready for installation with proper hanging devices and instructions where necessary. All works must be wired for hanging (no teeth or screw hangers). Special installation needs, specific equipment and/or display items are the responsibility of the exhibiting artist. The gallery has medium-sized white pedestals for 3-D works.

Columbia Art Center reserves the right of final review of exhibited works and installation.

Delivery and prompt pickup of all work is the responsibility of the artist(s). All works must remain in the gallery for the duration of the show unless otherwise specified.

Columbia Art Center is not responsible for work not picked up by the specific deadline.

Sales

Columbia Art Center will retain a 40 percent commission on all sales. Work will be sold at the price submitted by the artist before the show. An additional 6 percent sales tax will be charged on all sales. Work not for sale should be marked “NFS.” An insurance value must be included for all entries.

Insurance

Works are insured against physical damage or loss by Columbia Association from receipt through designated pickup date and time. There is a $10,000 deductible per incident. Columbia Art Center is not responsible for damage to unframed, improperly framed or unstable work.

Gallery Hours

Galleries are open during regular operating hours: Mon-Thu, 9:30am-8pm; Fri, 9:30am-5pm; Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 11am-5pm. The galleries are closed for major federal holidays.

Promotion

Columbia Art Center provides a designed postcard for each show and will send online pdf and jpeg versions to artists for distribution. Artists may purchase hard-copy postcards from Columbia Art Center at a nominal printing fee. We will email a pdf to our list of artists, organizations and press contacts. Columbia Art Center hosts an opening reception, which is open to the public. We will supply paper products, non-alcoholic beverages and light appetizers. Additional food items and wine (if desired) can be supplemented by the artist or group.

For Individual Artists

Describe your artistic goals and recent work that exemplifies them.

For Curators

Describe your curatorial experience and organizational skills. Provide a brief description of the proposed exhibit.

For Organizations

Provide your mission statement and describe your programs and services that meet that statement. Include a brief description of the proposed exhibit and state how it furthers your mission and goals.
Call for ENTRIES

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Long Reach Village Center
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For more information on Columbia Art Center exhibition opportunities and galleries or to apply online, please submit application materials to Art.Staff@ColumbiaAssociation.org or mail application materials to Exhibition Review Committee Columbia Art Center/6100 Foreland Garth/Columbia, MD 21045 Website: ColumbiaArtCenter.org Email: Art.Staff@ColumbiaAssociation.org Phone: 410-730-0075

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