

MONROE TOWNSHIP FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

EXHIBITS POLICY

CRITERIA

Exhibits fulfill an integral part of the Library's commitment to provide access to the intellectual and cultural resources of the community. Exhibits may be planned to direct the public's attention to the materials and services of the Library itself, or may provide exposure to the unique collections of local residents or the particular works of local artists and crafters.

Exhibits in the Library's showcases and Fine Arts Gallery are seen by virtually everyone entering the Library, both children and adults with varying degrees of sophistication. Exhibits must therefore meet what is generally known as "standard acceptable to the community."

PROCEDURES

The Library Board of Trustees will authorize the formation of an Exhibits committee consisting of three members of the Board. The committee will work with the Library Director to solicit exhibits of local collectors, artists and crafters. The Director will determine the number of exhibits that can be displayed at one time. Exhibits will remain on display for one month in the display cases and up to three months in the Fine Arts Gallery.

The months of January through June are reserved for the elementary schools in Monroe Township to display student works in the Youth Services Exhibits case.

The months of February and March will be reserved for Monroe Township Middle School and the Monroe Township High School to display student works in the George Ivers Exhibits Case.

The Committee will recommend to the Director a list of exhibitors meeting the criteria listed above. If there are more exhibitors than available display time, any exhibitors not chosen will be placed on a waiting list and considered the following year. An artist may be considered for another exhibit after 5 years.

The Director and the Committee will decide on the content and arrangement of all exhibits. Every item must meet the Library's standards of value and quality, and the Library reserves the right to reject any part of an exhibit or to change the manner of display.

All publicity material relating to exhibits will be submitted for the Director's approval.

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