

MONROE TOWNSHIP FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

EXHIBITS POLICY

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.

A. Criteria

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. Therefore, the exhibits must meet the Library's standards of value and quality and what is generally known as "standard acceptable to the community."

B. Procedure for Applying

1. The Exhibits Committee, consisting of three members of the Library Board of Trustees, will work with the Library Director to solicit exhibits of local collectors, artists, and crafters.
2. The Library Director will determine the number of exhibits that can be displayed at one time.
3. The Exhibits Committee will recommend to the Library Director a list of exhibitors whose materials meet the Standards, as noted above in "Criteria."
4. Applicants will be notified by Library staff after the May meeting of the Library Board of Trustees.

C. Conditions

1. Acceptance of an application to exhibit does not, in any way, constitute the Library's endorsement of the goals, policies, activities or public statements of any person, organization or group.
2. The Library is not responsible for loss or damage of equipment, supplies, materials or any personal property owned by those exhibiting in the Library's showcases or Fine Arts Gallery.
3. Publicity material relating to exhibits must be submitted for the Director's approval.
4. Exhibitors not chosen may reapply the following year.
5. Exhibiting artist(s) may be considered again after five (5) years.

D. Schedule

1. Exhibits shall remain on display for one month in the display cases.
2. Exhibits shall remain for up to three months in the Fine Arts Gallery.
3. The months of January through June shall be reserved for the elementary schools in Monroe Township to display student works in the Youth Services Exhibits case.
4. The months of February and March shall be reserved for Monroe Township Middle School and the Monroe Township High School to display student works in the George Ivers Exhibits Case.

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