



## **Purpose**

The purpose of having art and community exhibits in the Library is:

- To encourage Library patrons to experience inspiration, peace, hope, and/or connection through art
- To promote visitation of the Library and engagement with the Grossmont Healthcare District

## **Art and Community Exhibits**

The Library will solicit exhibits from local artists, with a preference for those who reside, work, attend school, or receive healthcare in the Grossmont Healthcare District; however, this is not a requirement for participation. The artists are not allowed to display the sale prices of their artwork, but they may provide a flyer or business card for those who might be interested in inquiring directly about a purchase. The artist on display must participate in a Meet & Greet Artist Reception, date and time to be determined in agreement with the participants. The Reception will be organized and paid for by the Library; however, the participants are required to present to an audience about the artwork and engage with the community during the Reception.

The Library will also solicit art exhibits from health-related, nonprofit organizations or public agencies. Preference will be given to those agencies that operate within the boundaries of the Grossmont Healthcare District; however, that is not a requirement for participation. As with individual art exhibits, a Meet & Greet Artist Reception, date and time to be determined in agreement with the participants, will be held and the artists on display, as well as a representative(s) of the organization is encouraged to attend and participate in order to engage with the community about the artwork. The Reception will be organized and paid for by the Library.

## **Procedures**

- Interested artists/organizations must submit an application and support materials. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.
- Exhibits are generally expected to remain in the Library for three months, but the timeframe is negotiable.
- The artist/organization must sign our "Exhibition Agreement," which states that neither the Library nor the District is responsible for the artwork/exhibit materials. The Exhibition Agreement also includes additional policies and procedures, which are included by reference in this Policy.

## ART AND COMMUNITY EXHIBITS POLICY - 2

All potential Exhibitions shall be evaluated by criteria, which may include, but are not limited to:

- **Public Safety** - The exhibit must not pose hazards or threats to public safety or public health and/or must not pose a potential liability for the Grossmont Healthcare District in any other way.
- **Availability of Resources** - The availability of Exhibit Space and necessary Library staff support. Preference will be given to exhibits that do not require an excessive outlay of Grossmont Healthcare District resources.
- **Artistic Excellence** - The level of exhibit quality and conceptual content as determined by GHD staff.
- **Relationship to Exhibit Space** - The scale and nature of the exhibit in connection with the Library and its use as a public space by all ages.
- **Content Considerations** - Exhibit content should be appropriate in material, form and content for the Library environment as determined by GHD staff. In general, the Library does not accept exhibits of a purely commercial nature, unless they have a special educational, informational, or cultural value to the community.

### Frequency

The Library will generally have three or four exhibits each year.



Grossmont Healthcare District's  
**Health & Wellness Library**

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**APPLICATION  
ART EXHIBIT OR COMMUNITY EXHIBIT**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of artist or organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home/office phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of exhibit \_\_\_\_\_

Media: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of works: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate the typical size (dimensions) of the work to be exhibited. \_\_\_\_\_

**Support Materials**

1. Provide 3-5 images of the work to be exhibited (photo or scan) or a link to a website where the work can be viewed: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Provide an artist biography and/or organization description.
3. Provide an artist statement/information about the work for inclusion in promotional materials for the exhibit/reception.

**Submit to:**

Grossmont Healthcare District's Health & Wellness Library  
9001 Wakarusa Street  
La Mesa, CA 91942

Phone: 619-825-5010

Email: [library@grossmonthealthcare.org](mailto:library@grossmonthealthcare.org)