ART AT THE GLEASON

VISUAL PROJECTS PROGRAM

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The Art at the Gleason: Visual Projects Program provides exhibition space at the Gleason Public Library for work by a variety of artists working in all media. Its goal is to enhance and increase the community’s appreciation of the arts; to broaden horizons by presenting a wide range of arts, collections and displays; to support community, cultural and artistic activities; to nourish intellectual, aesthetic and creative growth; and to add visual stimulation and change to the library environment and encourage the installation of works in areas of the library as deemed suitable per artist/exhibit. The program will include work by artists who create site-specific installations and encourages attention to site and conceptual issues in the installation of all work.

Art at the Gleason: Policies & Procedures

1. All artists must complete and sign the Art at the Gleason Exhibit Contract found on page 3. All contracts must be reviewed and approved by the Library Curators. Approval or disapproval is at the discretion of the Library Curators, working in coordination with the Library Director. The final authority for approving all exhibits is the Library Board of Trustees¹. Upon approval, the Library Curators will work with the artist to schedule a mutually agreeable exhibit schedule.

2. The Library shall provide designated areas in the Library for the exhibit of art work during regular Library hours (see gleasonlibrary.org). Approved exhibition areas are indicated on the floor plan on pages 4 and 5. All artwork must be exhibited using the provided hanging hardware or the exhibit cases. All pieces intended for wall display must have wire hangers to be compatible with the Library’s hanging system. The Library Curators shall install all artwork in a manner that is deemed optimal for each piece and for the exhibit in its entirety.

3. All exhibits shall be set up and removed on the dates approved by the Library. The Library Curators shall supervise set-up and removal of the entire exhibit, arranging loading and unloading, etc. at a time convenient for the Library. No artist may change, add to, or remove any items in an exhibit during its scheduled time, unless authorized by Library Curators or the Library Director.

4. The Library will not provide storage space for exhibit materials before or after the specified dates of an exhibit. It is the artist’s responsibility to deliver and pick up artwork from the Library at designated times, as determined by the Library Curators. Any artwork left at the Library for more than 30 days after an exhibit is complete shall become the property of the Library.

5. The Library does not insure exhibits. Insurance is the sole responsibility of the lender. All reasonable precautions will be taken to protect exhibits, but the Library cannot be responsible for reimbursement or replacement of lost, stolen, or damaged items. Prior to displaying, all exhibitors must sign the Exhibit Contract, thereby releasing the Library from any responsibility for loss or damage to an exhibit displayed at the Library.

¹ Please note that materials exhibited in the Library do not necessarily represent the view of the Library staff, administration, Board of Trustees, or Library Curators, and exhibition does not imply their endorsement.
6. The Library Curators, the Library Staff, and the artist will work together to publicize the exhibit
   a. The artist **must** provide:
      - an exhibition summary (<200 words) and a hi-resolution representative image [minimum 200 dpi]
      - a flier announcing the show, to be displayed in the Library’s East entrance display case
      - a resume and/or biography
      - a typed item list, including prices if items are for sale
   b. The artist **may** elect:
      - to provide exhibition announcements in the form of a standard size post card (3.5-4.5”x5-6”) at their own expense
      - to provide business cards with contact information at their own expense
      - to provide marketing materials for affiliated non-profit organizations (marketing materials for for-profit organizations are not permitted)
      - to participate in an evening reception [$230 total expense to be shared among participating artists for a liquor license] or a Saturday afternoon reception without alcohol
   c. The Library Staff/Library Curators will provide:
      - an announcement on the Library’s website and email newsletter
      - refreshments for an artists’ reception, typically held on a Saturday afternoon in the Library (alcohol is prohibited), or a Friday evening after hours that can include wine and beer
      - coordination with the Carlisle community newspaper, the Carlisle Mosquito; a reporter will contact the artist to schedule an interview.
   d. Additional marketing materials are not allowed in the Library

7. Items on exhibit may be made available for purchase. Purchase of artwork shall be handled exclusively through the artist and no sales may take place on Library property. If exhibit items are for sale, prices may be placed on the labels next to each piece and in a separate price list, to be left at the main circulation desk. A 20% commission is requested as a donation to the Gleason Public Library Endowment for any exhibit items sold as a result of exhibition at the Library. A check may be made out to: Gleason Public Library Endowment. All sold items shall remain on display for the duration of the scheduled exhibit.

8. The Library’s use of display areas takes precedence over any other use.

9. The Library Board of Trustees reserves the right to amend these regulations at any time. The Library Director may deny or cancel any application for art display and may waive any display policy.

Please direct all queries to the Library Curators:
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ART AT THE GLEASON: VISUAL PROJECTS PROGRAM
EXHIBIT CONTRACT

Name: __________________________________________ Phone: ____________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________________
Email: ____________________________________________________________________________
Website (optional): __________________________________________________________________
Exhibit Title: _______________________________________________________________________
Exhibit Description (<200 words): ______________________________________________________
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□ I have read and agree to the terms and conditions of exhibiting at the Gleason Public Library, as
outlined in the Art at the Gleason Policies and Procedures.

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Signature                   Date

Completed forms should be returned to: or emailed to:
Art at the Gleason, Curator
22 Bedford Road
Carlisle, MA 01741

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Sandy Eisenbies: disk4fun@me.com

To be completed by Library Curators

Exhibit Dates: _______________________________Installation Date: __________________________
Reception Date: _____________________________Take-Down Date: ___________________________
ART AT THE GLEASON VISUAL PROJECTS PROGRAM
1ST FLOOR DESIGNATED EXHIBIT AREAS

- Exhibit Cases: 1st Floor
  width x depth x height
  24.5” x 18.5” x 17”
  26” x 22” x 30”
  36” x 12” x 18”
  38” x 24” x 22”

- Wall Hangings Permitted with Library-Provided Hardware
ART AT THE GLEASON
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2nd FLOOR DESIGNATED EXHIBIT AREAS

Wall Hangings Permitted with Library-Provided Hardware

Exhibit Cases: 2nd Floor
width x depth x height
36” x 12” x 18”
22” x 80.5” x 20”