



The Tongass Federal Credit Union (TFCU) and the Ketchikan Area Arts and Humanities Council (KAAHC) have joined forces and are proud to announce a **Call to Artists** to exhibit at The Commons Gallery!!!

The Commons Gallery is Ketchikan's newest gallery space, located in one of Ketchikan's newest gathering spots. The overall focus of the new space is to support and encourage entrepreneurial efforts by providing temporary office space, meeting spaces, and small business assistance. In addition, TFCU has built a coffee bar and restaurant in the space which create a commons area. It is in this commons area that The Commons Gallery lives. In the entrepreneurial spirit of the venue, artists are invited to exhibit in two different ways. The vision for the Commons Gallery is to help inspire emerging and established artists by providing a flexible exhibit space for artists working in all mediums.

Exhibit Option 1

In order to support emerging artists, and artists whose work takes an enormous amount of resources and time and therefore is difficult to amass a full body of work, Exhibit Option 1 allows artists to submit up to two pieces to be displayed for a 3-month time frame quarterly between July 2021, through June 2022 in The Commons Gallery (January - March, April - June, July - September, October - December). Selected works may be for sale or may be work that is not for sale. Selected works must be appropriate for all ages. Works may have been shown in the community previously. Exhibit Option 1 is not intended for artists wishing to display a full body of work. See below for Exhibit Option 1 proposal submission details.

Exhibit Option 2

Individual artists or artists working as a group may submit a proposal for a body of work to be exhibited during the 2021-2022 Commons Gallery season. Selected exhibits will be on display for a 3-month time frame quarterly between July 2021, through June 2022. Selected exhibits may include work for sale, or work that is not for sale, but the body of work should be new work that has never been exhibited in Ketchikan – including Social Media. This exhibit option is restricted in that the proposed artwork must be able to be displayed within a 8' 6" high x 26' wide space. Selected exhibits must be appropriate for all ages. See below for Exhibit Option 2 proposal submission details and deadlines.

Exhibit Option 1 is designed for artists with individual pieces to display and sell. It is not intended for a full gallery exhibit. Works already shown in the community will be accepted.

Items to submit for your proposal:

- Artist Statement – no more than one page

- Up to 4 digital images of the work you wish to submit, images must be on a labeled CD or thumb drive with the artist/curator's name, sent via e-mail, or through the online submission form. Digital images must be numbered, titled, 300 dpi, and no larger than 1240 pixels on any side. Images must be of the pieces you would like to exhibit. Only pieces shown in images will be accepted for display.
- Image list – a separate document
- Please indicate what your preferred display time period would be. See below for suggested submission timelines.

Proposals are received on a rolling basis, although artwork may not be displayed until there is an opening in the Gallery. Please see below for suggested submission timelines.

Exhibit Option 2 is designed for artists wishing to display a full body of work requiring a large area of display space.

Items to submit for your proposal:

- Artist Statement – no more than one page
- 1 page artist resume
- 1 page description of your exhibit concept
- 10 digital images of your work on a labeled CD or thumb drive with the artist/curator's name, via e-mail, or through the online submission form. Digital images must be numbered, titled, 300 dpi, and no larger than 1240 pixels on any side. Images can be representative of your work/idea and not necessarily the pieces you are proposing to use.
- Image List – a separate document

Proposals will be considered on a rolling basis, but full exhibits will not be scheduled less than 1 quarter out. See below for suggested submission timelines.

The sale of artwork will be handled by KAAHC and 25% of all sales will be retained by KAAHC. Artwork will remain on display until the 3-month exhibit period has ended. At that time, artists may retrieve unsold work and purchased artwork may be picked up. If the artist chooses, and the artwork cost is over \$300 the artist may choose to accept a payment plan facilitated by KAAHC.

In keeping with the spirit of The Commons at TFCU and the mission of the Ketchikan Area Arts and Humanities Council, KAAHC is excited to work with artists to assist in preparing a proposal, to help troubleshoot the gathering of appropriate images your work, and will assist in building an artist statement and resume.

All proposal information must be submitted to:

Ketchikan Area Arts and Humanities Council
 The Commons Gallery
 330 Main Street
 Ketchikan, AK 99901

Or emailed to KatyP@ketchikanarts.org

Or submitted online at <https://www.ketchikanarts.org/the-commons-gallery/ketchikans-newest-gallery.html>

For questions and assistance please call KAAHC at 907-225-2211 or email katyp@ketchikanarts.org

Proposals will be accepted on a rolling basis, however if you have a specific Quarter that you wish to display your work in, you will need to meet these deadlines, and communicate your preferred timing in your proposal.

Exhibition Dates

July-September, 2021

October-December, 2021

January-March, 2022

April-June, 2022

Submission Deadline

June 21st, 2021, 5:00pm, AKST

September 3, 2021, 5:00pm, AKST

December 3, 2021, 5:00pm, AKST

March 4, 2022, 5:00pm, AKST