Main Street Gallery

Exhibit Selection Process:

- Proposal submissions due Monday, March 8th, 2027, 5:00pm AKST by mail, email, in person, or through our new online form.
- The KAAHC Program Development Committee (PDC) recommends an anonymous Selection Panel (SP), which will include artists, gallery owners, art appreciators, historians, and culture bearers.
- The SP reviews exhibit proposals and makes recommendations to the PDC for the upcoming season.
- The PDC reviews recommendations and places exhibits into specific months of the season and recommends the full season to the KAAHC Board of Directors.
- The KAAHC Board of Directors approves the season as presented or makes recommendations for revisions.
- Feedback is given to all who submit proposals.

Our Mission has evolved to include the Humanities. The Humanities seek answers to questions about who we are, what we believe, where we have been, our heritage, what we value and why. By connecting people through the examination and discussion of ideas, the Humanities point the way to answers about what is right or wrong, or what is true to our history and our heritage. We are excited to encourage and include proposals that explore the Humanities in the Main Street Gallery 2027-2028 season!

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KETCHIKAN AREA ARTS & HUMANITIES COUNCIL

MAIN STREET GALLERY

2027-2028 Season
Proposals Due
Monday, March 8, 2027
5:00pm AKST

CALL FOR ARTISTS & CURATORS

The Main Street Gallery exhibition space is dedicated to providing a venue for emerging artists to practice and seasoned artists to experiment, encouraging conversation and growth, and providing room for the community to experience and explore the arts and humanities!

THE MAIN STREET GALLERY, A PROGRAM OF THE KETCHIKAN AREA ARTS & HUMANITIES COUNCIL, IS A NON-PROFIT, YEAR-ROUND EXHIBITION SPACE COMMITTED TO:

- **Providing exhibit opportunities to both experience the arts and explore the humanities;**
- **Exposing the Ketchikan area community to a broad variety of expressive art forms;**
- **Encouraging local participation and appreciation of the arts and humanities;**
- **Increasing visibility for artists, thinkers, and a forum for social change;**
- **Nurturing artist development; and**
- **Providing an encouraging environment for innovative art forms.**

The Main Street Gallery will host 11 exhibits from September through August, displaying a wide variety of mediums in Solo, Group, Invitational, Curated, and Open Call exhibits from local and national artists/curators.

EXPECTATIONS OF EXHIBITORS

- Well presented exhibit of high-quality, original artwork or ideas.
- Artwork/ideas that have not been previously displayed or publicized online.
- Artwork/ideas ready to hang, display, or present.
- Respectful, thoughtful and provocative use of space.
- Artists are responsible for the cost of their exhibit postcard printing and food for in-person reception.
- Presentation of a thoughtful lecture, workshop, or demonstration of a technique, process, or intention during duration of the exhibition.

Proposals are accepted from local, Alaskan, and national artists. Proposals from emerging and established artists, group displays, curators who propose exhibits that engage and challenge artists and viewers, work of an experimental, non-commercial and/or non-mainstream nature, literary based exhibits, historically based exhibits, culturally celebratory and/or informative exhibits, and more, will be considered.

Preference will be given to exhibitors who have not shown in the Gallery in the past two years.

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WHAT EXHIBITORS CAN EXPECT FROM KAAHC

- Assistance in developing your exhibition proposal.
- Support throughout the exhibition process from conception to execution.
- Design and mailing of the exhibit postcard.
- Recommendation and assistance while hanging your exhibit.
- Promotion of exhibit via social media/ newspaper/radio/the KAAHC's website.
- High quality lighting of the exhibition.
- A prepared space.
- Proposals employing Generative AI will not be accepted.
- Exhibits will be photographed for display and sales in the Online Main Street Gallery and available upon your request.
- Assistance with further professional development, grant writing, applications, portfolio development, etc.

If you have questions or need assistance, please schedule an individual meeting to discuss ideas for your exhibit.

Contact KAAHC at
907-225-2211
programs@ketchikanarts.org

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL

INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

A single file or folder with the following:

- **Artist/Curator Statement:** A one page description of who you are as an artist/ curator and the medium you wish to present.
- **Your Proposal:** A one page description of your proposed exhibit, and your use of the Gallery space.
- **Public Presentation:** A one page description of your planned presentation.
- **Resume:** Emerging artists may have less experience, that's OK! Curators, please give relevant experience.
- **Ten Digital Images**: A labeled CD or thumb drive with the artist/curator's name, or sent via e-mail. 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. If your exhibit is literary or conceptual in nature, please provide image examples of what you will be exhibiting.
- **Image List: A separate document which includes a numbered list of your images (corresponding to the digital images), artist's/ curator's name, title of work, artist, medium, dimensions, and year completed.**

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KAAHC
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E-MAIL PROPOSAL TO:

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