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# **Displays and Exhibits**

## 1. PURPOSE

Brampton Library provides occasional exhibit space to individuals, artists and groups from a wide range of disciplines to display their works. works of art, crafts and other relevant objects. This free exhibit space encourages Library visitors to be immersed in the creative culture of the community, while providing artists with venues to share their work. The intent of the policy is to provide guidelines for Brampton Library staff and potential exhibitors.

### 2. SCOPE

This policy applies to all Brampton Library Staff, members of the Board and those seeking to display artistic works in Brampton Library branches.

#### 3. PRINCIPLES OF SELECTION FOR DISPLAY

- **3.1.** All exhibitors must complete the Brampton Library Displays and Exhibit Application process to be considered. The application must include digital images of the proposed exhibit and any information associated with it. (e.g. flyers, handouts, etc.)
- **3.2.** The Library does not pay exhibit fees nor provide insurance. Exhibitors are responsible for obtaining their own damage insurance for the contents of their exhibit.
- **3.3.** Permission for an individual, artist or group to exhibit is generally for a single occurrence and does not imply the right to repeat exhibits. The Library may approve repeat exhibits by individual artists or groups but prefers to give opportunities to as many artists as possible.
- **3.4.** Brampton Library does not allow advertisements or solicitations for recruitment, business or fundraising. Prices may not be attached to individual works; however, the exhibitors may display their contact information for those interested in purchasing. Any exceptions to this can only be granted with permission from the CEO.
- **3.5.** The Library strives to work collaboratively with exhibitors to maintain the integrity of exhibits; however, the Library reserves the right to alter, move, cancel and/or remove an exhibit that is in contravention of this or other library policies. Displays that contravene federal, provincial or municipal laws will not be accepted.

#### 4. Selection Criteria

**4.1.** Exhibited materials should be indicative of Brampton Library's vision, mission and values as well as the diverse interests of the community and should be appropriate

for showing in a public library setting (i.e. extremely erotic, gratuitously violent, or overtly political materials are not acceptable).

- **4.2.** Applicants from Brampton and area artists and groups are preferred but all others will also be considered. Brampton Library welcomes individuals, artists, and groups who self-identify as racialized and Indigenous persons, persons with disabilities, and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity.
- **4.3.** The Library reserves the right to refuse to display any items considered to be inappropriate and/or unsuitable in a library setting, while recognizing the value of artistic freedom. Decisions regarding the inclusion or exclusion of any work may be appealed to the CEO.

This policy is available in alternative formats upon request.