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Displays and Exhibits

1. PURPOSE

Brampton Library provides occasional exhibit space to individuals or groups wishing to display works of art, crafts and other relevant objects. This free exhibit space enables Library visitors to participate in the creative life of the community, and presents artists with a valued avenue for exhibiting 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. Exhibitors are responsible for obtaining their own damage insurance for the contents of their exhibit.
- 3.3. Permission for an individual or group to exhibit is generally for a single occurrence and does not imply the right to repeat exhibits.
- 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 exhibitor may leave a price list at the information desk or supply a sign listing a contact person, website address and telephone number where visitors can inquire about purchasing information.
- 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 mission and values as well as the diverse interests of the community and should be suitable for showing in a
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public library setting (i.e. extremely erotic or gratuitously violent, overtly political or sensitive are not acceptable) keeping in mind that the library is a public place and that those visiting are not necessarily aware of the art display before entering.

- 4.2. The Library may approve repeat exhibits by individual artists or groups but prefer giving opportunities to as many artists as possible.
- 4.3. Exhibits from Brampton and area artists and groups are preferred but others will also be considered in the application process.
- 4.4. The Brampton Library Board reserves the right to refuse to display any items considered to be inappropriate and/or unsuitable in a library setting.