

CALL FOR ARTISTS

2016-2017 Block Gallery Exhibition Series

Raleigh, North Carolina

The Office of Raleigh Arts invites artists and curators 18 years of age or older, residing or working in Chatham, Durham, Johnston, Orange or Wake County for at least one year (by July 10, 2015), to submit work for exhibition in the City of Raleigh's Block Gallery for exhibition years 2016 and 2017. Artists or curators who have exhibited or curated at the Block Gallery or Block2 since July 2013 are not eligible to apply.

Application Requirements

Please submit the following for consideration (all written materials to be submitted as pdf or Word files). Jpegs should be no larger than 96 dpi and should not exceed 1MB. All files must include artist's name and title of work (eg: smith-painting2.jpg; smith-bio.doc).

- Résumé, including current address and contact information (no more than 2 pages)
- Artist Statement (not to exceed 1 page)
- If submitting as a curator, a brief proposal not to exceed 250 words
- 5 jpeg images of works (not to exceed 96 dpi or 1MB)
- Image list corresponding to jpegs (artist, title, date, dimensions in inches)

Directions for Submission

As a part of the City of Raleigh's sustainability initiative, we encourage the reduction of paper use. To that end, please submit materials in one of the following ways:

1. Email documents to stacy.bloom-rexrode@raleighnc.gov. Subject line: Block Gallery Call for Artists.
2. Upload files to our FTP site. For access, please email stacy.bloom-rexrode@raleighnc.gov.

Submission Deadline

All materials must be received no later than **Friday, July 10, 2015 at 5pm EDT**. Incomplete or late submissions will not be considered. Applicants are encouraged to submit in advance of the deadline so that any unforeseen problems with the materials can be addressed.

Additional Eligibility Requirements

- Artists applying to Block Gallery must have participated in two juried or invitational shows in the past five years.
- Commercial gallery representatives are not eligible to apply on behalf of artists or as curators. Artists represented by a commercial gallery are eligible to apply individually.
- All artists included in curators' proposals must meet the eligibility requirements for artists who apply individually.

Additional Information

Connecting local artists to community through ongoing exhibitions and public outreach, Block Gallery was dedicated in 2006 to honor Miriam Preston Block, a former Raleigh City Council member and community leader. Greeting all visitors to the Raleigh Municipal Building, Block Gallery's marble walls and elegant staircase provide an ideal setting for showcasing original artworks. Exhibits change every 8-12 weeks.

Managed by the City of Raleigh's Office of Raleigh Arts, the gallery is located on the first and second floors of the City's Municipal Building downtown at 222 West Hargett St. and is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. Monday through Friday except on holidays.

The Office of Raleigh Arts – a division of the City of Raleigh's Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department – supports and promotes the arts in Raleigh by administering the programs of the Raleigh Arts Commission and the Public Art and Design Board and overseeing the Pullen and Sertoma Arts Centers.

For more information on the Block Gallery, visit www.raleighnc.gov or contact Stacy Bloom Rexrode, Block Gallery coordinator, at 919-996-4687 or stacy.bloom-rexrode@raleighnc.gov.

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