



ARTS COUNCIL OF NEW WESTMINSTER

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At the Arts Council of New Westminster, we live and work on the unceded, traditional territories of the Coast Salish peoples of the QayQayt (qiqéyt) Nation as well as all Coast Salish Nations.

THE GALLERY AT QUEEN'S PARK
EXHIBITION APPLICATION PACKAGE

CALL FOR ARTISTS 2020

The Arts Council of New Westminster aims to have exhibitions that feature a variety of visual arts by a wide range of artists from the Metro Vancouver region. The exhibition program aims to reflect both the cultural and artistic diversity of contemporary art and to serve as an educational forum for the citizens of New Westminster and surrounding communities. This program is open to applications from both established and emerging artists.

The Arts Council wishes to highlight the diversity of our community, and in order to break down any exclusionary barriers and create a platform for marginalized voices, artists on the LGBTQ spectrum, non-binary artists, artists of colour, Indigenous artists, and disabled artists, are strongly encouraged to submit.

**Submissions will be received up to 4:00pm on
Friday August 30, 2019**



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Overview:

The ACNW operates a picturesque gallery in the Centennial Lodge, Queen's Park known as **The Gallery at Queen's Park**, which features a wide range of visual arts by local and emerging artists in exhibitions which change monthly.

This Call is for monthly exhibitions between February 2020 and November 2020 inclusive. Exhibitions typically open on the first Wednesday of each month and generally close on the last Sunday of the month.

The Gallery at Queen's Park has one exhibition space, known as the Eileen Montague Room (labelled as the Main Gallery Space, see page 5), with a total linear hanging space of approximately 15 m (49.5 ft). In certain instances, the Gallery Exhibition Selection Committee may pair two selected artists during the exhibition period.

Artwork must be suitably framed, ready for hanging, or, if three-dimensional, appropriately mounted or otherwise ready for presentation.

As a community gallery, the gallery's operating hours are maintained by volunteer staff; therefore, the artists selected for exhibitions will be expected to provide assistance by sitting as a Gallery Attendant on all Saturdays and Sundays from 1-5pm for the duration of their exhibition.

Eligibility:

- To apply to this Call, you are not required to be a member of the Arts Council of New Westminster.
- To exhibit, you must be a current member of the Arts Council of New Westminster at the time of your exhibition.
- Artists whose work has already been exhibited in the gallery are invited to apply, allowing a 3-year interim between applications.

PLEASE NOTE: The proposed exhibition submission must not have been showcased in New Westminister in the preceding 12 months, nor (upon acceptance) be displayed in any other New Westminister gallery during the exhibiting year.

Budget:

- The Council does not charge for exhibiting, nor does it pay an artist to exhibit. The Council receives a 25% donation on sales of work in the Gallery.
- The Gallery at Queen's Park will pay an honorarium of \$75 for public programming during the exhibition, a part of the Inter/action Artist Learning Series.



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How to Apply for an Exhibition:

The Gallery Exhibitions Selection Committee (GESC) meets once a year, in September, to consider applications for the following year. A well-prepared proposal helps in the selection.

To be considered at the next GESC meeting, please submit the following:

- A selection of 8-10 digital images of proposed work you wish to exhibit. Digital images should be jpg format at 150 dpi; each image should be a maximum of 800 x 600 pixels. Image files should be clearly labelled with your **Name, the Title of Work, Size** in inches and **Medium**. Example: Artist-Title-Size-Medium.jpg
- Contact information (mailing address, phone number, email, website).
- An Artist Statement giving your aims and objectives as an artist in relation to your work.
- An Artist Biography to establish a better understanding of your background and experience.
- A Curriculum Vitae (3 pages max.) including a list of your previous exhibition and education experience.
- A written proposal for public programming to be produced and hosted by the artist at the Gallery. The public programming event must take place during regular posted open hours, on a Sunday, during the exhibit. Proposed public programming may be events such as an artist talk, performance art, theoretical or technical seminar, live drawing/painting, social practice, etc.

Please include all written material as PDF files and submit via email to gallery@acnw.ca with “**Exhibition Submission – The Gallery at Queen’s Park**” in the subject line. Please ensure that attachments total less than 5MB.

Deadline for submission is 4:00pm on Friday August 30, 2019. Applications will not be rolled over. To be considered for an application for the following year, please re-apply.

The Selection/Exhibition Process:

The GESC will meet in September 2019 to consider all applications received. All applications will receive a reply by email, stating whether the work has been accepted. If your application has been successful, you will be contacted by telephone, an exhibition date will be confirmed, and a contract will be sent to you. This contract will outline your responsibilities and provide other details and dates. A signed contract is required before the exhibition can proceed.



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Application Tips:

- Be sure that all documents include your name, a working title of the proposed exhibition and complete contact information; phone number, email address, website and mailing address, including postal code.
- Email submissions are preferred. For hard copy submissions, please phone the gallery at 604-525-3244 for equitable access procedures.
- DO NOT send composite images or prepared slideshows.
- Please test all documents on a PC computer to ensure compatibility.

Submit your application via email to: gallery@acnw.ca

Estimated Timeline:

July 1	Call for Artists launched
August 30	Deadline to submit
Mid-September	Gallery Exhibition Selection Committee meets
Early October	Artists contacted
Late October	Exhibition dates confirmed, contracts signed and returned
February – Nov 2020	Exhibition Schedule

Contact:

All enquiries should be directed to:

Karen Justice, Gallery Coordinator

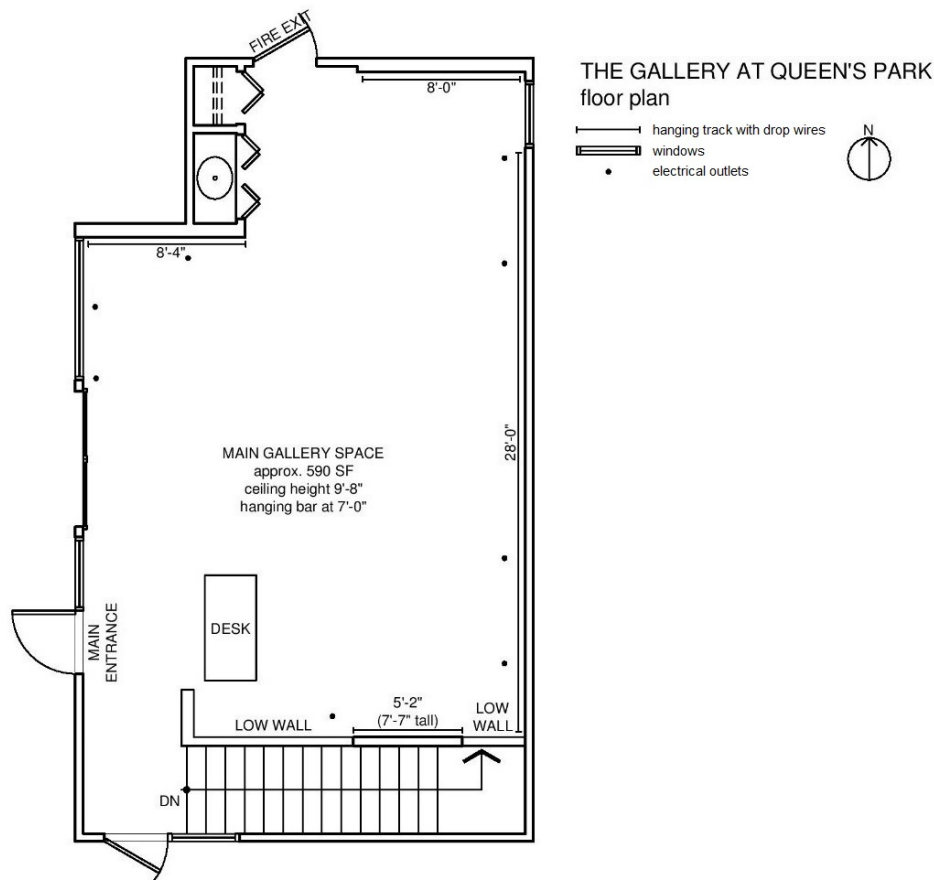
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For more information about The Gallery at Queen's Park, visit www.acnw.ca/gallery



Technical Information:



The Gallery does not have a Loading Bay. All shipments of artwork must fit through the Main Entrance (34"x80").

All two-dimensional artwork is installed using a hanging track system with drop wires and track lighting.

The Gallery has an assortment of nine plinths to display 3-dimensional artwork.

A limited selection of tools and equipment can be provided by The Gallery. Other requirements are the responsibility of the artist.

Please note that the main floor of the Gallery is an accessible space with an at-grade entrance.

For individuals with environmental sensitivities and/or environmental illnesses, the space is operated in a scent-reduced manner.