

ARTS CENTER OF SAINT PETER CALL FOR ARTISTS

Eligibility and selection:

The Arts Center of Saint Peter welcomes applications from regional, national and international visual artists. Artists may be at any level (emerging, mid-career, established). Application materials are reviewed in the order received. Applications may be discussed over several meetings; applicants who have not received a response within six months are encouraged to contact the Executive Director at director.acsp@gmail.com. Exhibitions are scheduled 12-24 months in advance, and may occupy the full two-story gallery; upper or lower galleries only; or one of two window galleries.

To apply, provide the following (in hard copy or electronically):

1. Resumé or artist's profile.
2. Postal address, email address, and phone number.
3. Brief statement describing the proposed exhibition, and indicating the number of works, media, average size, and year(s) the work was produced.
4. A minimum of five images of your work with a list indicating title and dimensions. Label CD, DVD or flash drive with artist's name and date. Images may also be submitted as attachments to an email.

If your application is accepted, the Arts Center will:

- Negotiate dates of show and reception (CDC guidelines allowing).
- Prepare and distribute press releases to southern Minnesota media.
- Invite the artist to appear on Live from the Arts Center, a music/interview show airing weekly on KMSU.
- Design, print, and distribute posters throughout the region.
- Install the exhibition and provide exhibition labels.
- Provide refreshments at the reception (CDC guidelines allowing).
- Promote the exhibition to Arts Center members and on social media.
- Facilitate purchases and pay the artist (70% commission) in a timely manner.

The Artist will:

- Be asked to sign a detailed contract and publicity agreement, outlining responsibilities, expectations, and deadlines.
- Provide a final list of works at least two weeks prior to the hanging of the show.
- Deliver or ship all work exhibit-ready with professional quality framing (picture wire required on framed work).
- Be given the opportunity to assist with installation the show if the artist desires.
- Provide a signed and dated listing of pieces to be shown, including prices, which the Arts Center will keep in a secure off-site location for the duration of the show.

Additional information:

- Artists are encouraged to make work available for sale. The Arts Center of Saint Peter's commission is 30% on works sold.
- Work that poses a potential danger to the Arts Center or its guests may be rejected. Work that is markedly different from the work reflected in the application materials given for selection may be rejected.
- The Arts Center of Saint Peter is a multifunction art space with performances in the lower gallery approximately monthly; a gallery shop showcasing work by other local artisans year-round; large community gatherings at least once annually; and frequent group meetings and classes. By entering into this contract, the exhibiting artist implies understanding that these activities, which are central to the organization's mission, will temporarily and occasionally change the visual landscape in which exhibited work is shown. Arts Center staff and volunteers make every effort to assemble and disassemble event setup (chairs, sound system, lights, tables) in a timely fashion.
- Our mission statement is as follows: "Based on a conviction that the arts play an essential role in vibrant communities, the Arts Center of Saint Peter embraces a mission that stimulates and supports a broad range of artistic activity throughout Southern Minnesota. We accomplish this by providing inspiring exhibits, engaging performances, important education and meaningful community outreach." A full statement of the mission, vision, and values adopted by the board of directors in December 2018 is available at artscentersp.org/about.

We look forward to reviewing your submission! Contact us with any questions.

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