



119 King Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

CALL TO ARTISTS

Exhibition Proposals for 2020-21

About the Pump House Regional Arts Center

The Pump House Regional Arts Center, located in downtown La Crosse, WI, is home to a wide range of visual and performing arts activities. The historic building, built in 1880 as the city water pumping station, was converted to a cultural center in 1977 and is affectionately called by locals the "Pump House." The Pump House features three exhibition galleries, a 140 seat theatre, art education classrooms complete with a kiln and pottery wheels, a conference room, meeting areas and an outdoor courtyard with seating. It is a fully accessible and smoke-free environment.

The Pump House is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization, greatly supported by volunteers, memberships, and donations. Memberships start at \$35 per year and come with many benefits, including waived entry fee for submissions in response to the annual Call to Artists.

About exhibitions at the Pump House

Within the three exhibition spaces, artists' work is generally shown for six to eight weeks. A reception is held for each artist (or group of artists.) A jury committee of art professionals, artists, and art patrons reviews submissions from which they make selections for the next exhibition season.

Eligibility

Work chosen for a show must have been created within the past 2 years, be unified in theme, and not have been exhibited within a 50 mile radius of La Crosse within the previous 12 months.

Sales

The Pump House will manage all artwork sales, including collection and payment of sales tax. Artists receive 60% of artwork sales price; the Pump House retains a 40% commission. The Pump House will provide a list of purchasers to the artist when artwork has sold. Purchased artwork remains in the exhibition until the show closes.

Application Requirements

- 1) Complete Exhibition Proposal Form (saved as a Word document or PDF)
- 2) 5 images (.jpg format at 72 dpi resolution,) each saved as follows:

ArtistFirstName_LastName_Title_Medium_Dimensions_Price

- 3) Jury Fee: \$30*. (Waived for current Pump House members.)

**Scholarships are available. Send inquiry to: contact@thepumphouse.org for more information.*

Application Process

- 1) Complete application online and upload your images. Refer any questions to contact@thepumphouse.org or call 608-785-1434.
- 2) Pay \$30 jury fee online at <https://www.thepumphouse.org/product/ph-jury-fee/> or call 608-785-1434 with MC/Visa/Discover information, or pay in person with check or cash.

Timeline

January 31, 2020 – Application deadline

February 1- March 1, 2020 – Jury committee reviews all submissions

March 15, 2020 – Jury results announced and accepted proposals scheduled for exhibitions from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021



Contact Information for Questions

Please contact us if you have any questions:

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