

EXHIBITING ARTIST POLICY

It is the policy of the Board of Directors (Board) for the Bainbridge Public Library (BPL), a not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Washington as follows:

1. BPL will make BPL's Large Meeting Room (LMR), which is located on the Library's main floor, just off the entrance lobby, a community resource by making the LMR available to artists who are members of the Bainbridge Island community (residents of Kitsap County, with the priority given to residents of Bainbridge Island) and who may or may not regularly exhibit their work in exhibitions, galleries, or studios during a Use Period granted by BPL, that will include the Bainbridge Island First Friday Art Walk Reception hosted by BPL. .
2. BPL prohibits discrimination and will not restrict access to the LMR and other areas and amenities provided by BPL based on race, creed, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, gender, marital status, sexual/gender preference or orientation, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability and/or any discrimination prohibited by Washington State and/or Federal Law.
3. Exhibiting artists using the LMR will not discriminate or restrict access to the artist's work exhibited in the LMR, based on race, creed, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, gender, marital status, sexual/gender preference or orientation, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability and/or any discrimination prohibited by Washington State and/or Federal Law.
4. BPL's grant of a Use Period does not indicate an endorsement and/or sponsorship of the artist and/or the artist's art.
5. Alcohol is prohibited inside the LMR or anywhere else on Library grounds, except for BPL hosted events.
6. Artists' requests for use of the LMR for display of their work shall be directed to and handled by a designated member of the Art Committee.
7. Artists granted use of the LMR shall agree to and sign an Exhibiting Artist Use Agreement, which, among other requirements:
 - (a) establishes when, where, and how the artist's work will be displayed in the LMR;
 - (b) makes the artist liable for all damages, costs to BPL, and attorney's fees resulting from the artist not displaying and removing their art in accordance with the Use Agreement, and

(c) requires the artist to release BPL from liability and indemnify BPL to the fullest extent allowed by law.

8. Exhibiting artists will, at their expense, provide refreshments, beverages, napkins, and plates to BPL for the First Friday Art Walk/Reception, which is a BPL hosted event.

9. Exhibiting artists will not be charged for use of the LMR but are invited to donate twenty-five percent (25%) of the proceeds from sales made during the Use Period to BPL, at the end/close of the artists' Use Period.