

The Kranzberg Arts Center opens submissions for 2017 Gallery Exhibitions

Proposals are being accepted for 2017 solo and group exhibitions at the Gallery at the Kranzberg Arts Center. Submissions from all visual art forms welcome.

Exhibition Project Description

The Kranzberg Arts Center is looking for outstanding, socially relevant works to showcase in its Grand Center Gallery.

Over the past year, St. Louis has been forced to take stock of injustice within our community, and our society as a whole. Now, more than ever, there is a hunger for art that speaks from this turbulence, as people grapple to make sense of the chaos that floods our news media everyday. The challenges that face us both as individuals, and as community working for the greater good, can feel insurmountable.

Great art has the power to effect change. It provokes us, challenging us to think and feel at the moments when we most want to look away. It ignites conversation, and can inspire the moment when we finally see ourselves in someone else's shoes. Sometimes, it is a reflection of an experience so intimate; we realize that we are not alone.

This is a call to action. The Kranzberg Arts Center is looking for artists whose work will engage with our community in profound, meaningful ways; artists who reflect the diversity of our city, and who don't shy away from the struggles of our times; artists whose work embodies innovation in thought and form. Your art is a catalyst, a conduit, a voice louder than words, and your vision has the power to inspire change.

The installation should visually transform the 750 square foot space. We challenge each submitting artist to look at the layout of the gallery and design work that engages the space as a site-specific installation while considering the viewer's relationship to the work and how one approaches and encounters the piece.

The size of the gallery space is approximately 1000 square feet with 750 square feet dedicated to installation space, with floor to ceiling pillars every 14 feet. The gallery has 8' storefront windows on the full eastern street side, 26 running feet of wall space on north side and 32 feet on west side. The ceiling height is approximately 12 feet. There is limited access to the ceiling. Please contact chris@kranzbergartscenter.org for a more detailed floor plan.

The artist is allowed approximately 3 days to install the work. The proposal must include an outline of installation process, carefully estimated budget (including artist stipend, transportation, travel and de-installation), and process of de-installation. Artist must include drawings of how the work will fit in the space, taking in to consideration the columns and front windows. The Kranzberg Arts

Center encourages the artist to come and visit the space and get to know the surrounding St. Louis community.

The Gallery at the Kranzberg Arts Center will offer five (5) exhibitions per year. Applications are accepted on rolling bases. Artist proposals must include the following:

- 1–2 page outline of installation process, estimated budget, and de-installation.
- 1 – 2 Sketches, photographs or drawings of how the proposal will fit into the gallery space.
- Current professional biography and resume. Must be a residence of the United States or have representation in the United States.
- Digital images of 10 recent works, with up to 5 image details, making a total of up to 15 images.
- Images should be JPEGs approx. 2000 x 1500 pixels at 72 dpi (no larger than 3MB). RAW and other formats will not be accepted.
- Each image should be labeled: lastname_firstname_#.jpg (example: Smith.John_02.jpg)
- An image list with titles, media, dimensions (height x width x depth) and date completed.
- Image list must be included in proposal. Please provide the following information: artist name, title of work, medium, date completed, size and price.

Send to exhibitions@kranzbergartscenter.org

About the Gallery at the Kranzberg Arts Center

The Gallery at the Kranzberg Arts Center showcases outstanding, relevant works from a diverse range of artists in the St. Louis community. In collaboration with area nonprofits, artists, and educators, the Gallery challenges established concepts of what art is and does, and engages with the community in new and meaningful ways. This spirit of innovation, experimentation, and community make the Gallery at the Kranzberg Arts Center one of the premier visual arts destinations in the Midwest.

About the Kranzberg Arts Foundation

The Kranzberg Arts Foundation is committed to providing the essential infrastructure necessary for the arts to thrive in the St. Louis community. Through the development of performing arts venues, visual arts galleries, free music programs, and work spaces for non-profit arts organizations, the Foundation creates opportunities for and nurtures the growth of artists, while working with emerging and leading arts organizations to engage with St. Louis's diverse community in ways that are relevant, inclusive, and inspiring.

