



Dona Ana Arts Council
CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS
RIO GRANDE THEATRE

El Paso Electric and Carolene de Mesilla Galleries

The Dona Ana Arts Council seeks proposals for solo and group exhibitions to be present in the above Rio Grande Theatre Galleries in 2010.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Artists living and working in Southern New Mexico and El Paso, TX. (within a 20 mile radius of El Paso) are eligible to show.
- All work submitted for consideration must be available for exhibition in 2010 on dates assigned by the Dona Ana Arts Council. Each exhibit will run approximately four weeks. Concurrent month exhibits will not be accepted.
- Proposed exhibits should suit the scale/size of the galleries – approximately 45 linear feet in each room. ***Please note: the rooms have only adobe walls – paintings, prints, must be able to be hung from the existing hanging system.*
- Artists are required to exhibit works similar in nature to those presented in the proposal packet.

PROPOSAL PACKAGE MUST INCLUDE:

- *A non-refundable \$30 submission fee must be made with this submission and can be paid by credit card or certified check payable to the Dona Ana Arts Council.*
- Entries should be submitted through email (theatremgr@daarts.org) or on CD – 5-10 images maximum in jpeg format, minimum resolution 300dpi) – of work similar in nature to that intended for exhibition. To submit for a group show, one image per participating artist is required. ***Please use artist name and artwork title to name jpeg files.*** Files must be accompanied by a brief statement on the proposed exhibit, including the medium/s of works to be exhibited, theme or general content of the show, and any special installation that may be required. Also please include the artist/s name, resume/s or bio/s, mailing address, email address, phone and cell numbers.
- Indicate whether you have enough works to use one or both galleries. If you require only one of the galleries, you may recommend an artist to show at the same time in the other gallery, or DAAC will pair you with someone they select.
- A jury of three impartial community members and/or artists will select all works to be displayed in the Rio Grande Theatre galleries.
- Packages will not be returned to artists unless accompanied by SASE.

PROCEDURE UPON SELECTION:

- Works placed on exhibit may be for sale; *DAAC will retain a 30% commission on all sales. The artist is responsible for paying state sales tax on the portion of proceeds they receive from sales.*
- ***Work must be delivered on date and only during a time period assigned by Dona Ana Arts Council, or the work cannot be accepted. For group shows, at least one member of the group must be present at check in and out to assist the DAAC staff.*** Any entry deemed obscene or pornographic or not meeting exhibition criteria, may be rejected by the jury at their sole discretion.
- All artwork must be framed or gallery wrapped and wired for hanging. *No sawtooth hangers will be accepted.* Sculptures may not exceed 24" wide and 60" high, including

pedestal, with a maximum weight of 150 pounds. The artist must provide his/her own pedestal(s), deliver and position the sculpture(s) before the show and remove it after the show.

- **Artists are responsible for providing display tags that reflect the name and price of the piece.**
- **You are required to be in the gallery during the monthly "Ramble" reception, and encouraged to be present during high-traffic periods, including any and all events taking place in the Rio Grande Theatre (calendar at website www.riograndetheatre.com). No one can promote you and your work as well as you can.**
- **DAAC will provide media with a press release about your show, and it will be included in our monthly newsletter. Otherwise, artists are responsible for publicizing their exhibit with media releases, posters, advertising, postcards, etc.**
- Each exhibit will have an opening reception hosted by DAAC in conjunction with the Downtown Ramble on the first Friday evening of each month. The artist/s exhibiting that month are expected to attend.
- All artwork must be removed at the specified time and date. A \$10 per day per piece storage fee will be charged for artwork not picked up by the time specified by DAAC. No work may be picked up before the specified time. Artists accepted into an exhibit will receive notification with delivery information.

While every effort will be made to ensure a secure environment for the exhibits, please know that there will be times when the art work is not directly monitored. The galleries will be open during normal business hours and during special theatre events. DAAC will not accept any responsibility for loss or damage to artwork. All artists exhibit at their own risk.

E-MAIL TO:
theatremgr@daarts.org
Re: Gallery Submissions

OR DELIVER TO:
Dona Ana Arts Council
In the Historic Rio Grande Theatre
211 N. Downtown Mall
Las Cruces NM (office is upstairs)

Submission form can be found on www.riograndetheatre.com under the Galleries tab.

This submission of _____ has been accepted for an exhibit during the month of _____, 2010.
Please deliver work on _____ between the hours of _____ and _____.

I have read and accept the listed conditions of this document.

Artist or *Representative of artists

For Dona Ana Arts Council

*Group Name

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