

CURRENTS GALLERY

We are an artists' cooperative, operating as an LLC in McMinnville, Oregon. We currently are accepting applications for new members and a few consignment artists. On the second Monday of each month we review work by prospective members and consignment artists to choose additional members and new high quality art to display in our gallery.

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

An active member becomes a co-owner of the gallery and shares equal rights and responsibilities with all members. Each active member pays a one-time business fee of \$250 (several payment plans are available), as well as a commission of 20% taken from members' sales for operating expenses. New members commit to a one year membership in the co-op. Active members may vote to alter commissions or impose monthly dues depending on current financial circumstances.

We have no paid staff, members share in the operation of the gallery by serving on committees, working in the gallery approximately 12-18 hours per month, and by attending the monthly membership meeting, where decisions are made. Members are also expected to attend our art openings that coincide with McMinnville's monthly Artwalk and to help to hang the new show each month.

WHY JOIN A CO-OP?

There are many advantages in being a part of a cooperative gallery. We gain inspiration and encouragement from our contact with other artists and with the public. We have a say in how our work is displayed and marketed. Our members also share information, new techniques, material sources, praise and constructive criticism.

The Gallery provides year-round display space onsite for artists. In addition, our website gives members an attractive web gallery presence.

FOCUS ARTIST

Each month the gallery schedules one member as the "Focus Artist." One area of the gallery is devoted to just that artist. The work of non-members may occasionally be displayed in a joint show if all member artists have been accommodated.

TEACHERS WANTED

Our Back Door Studio is a large well-equipped room dedicated to teaching art. If you have experience teaching in one or more media and would like to offer classes in our space, please respond with this application by including a summary of your experience and examples of your work.

HOW TO APPLY

If you are interested in joining our gallery and have the time, energy and commitment to be a participating member, please bring the following items to the gallery before the second Monday of the month:

- Six gallery-ready samples of your work.
- A resume, please include any fine arts education, exhibitions, professional training, reviews or awards you may have.
- A one paragraph artist's statement.

After jurying, an interview will be set up with an artist whose work was chosen as a good fit with our gallery.

CONSIGNMENT ARTISTS

Consignment artists must provide the same items and information for jurying as the artist applying for active membership. Consignment artists do not pay fees, but a 50% commission is taken from these artist's sales. Consignment work is taken on an "as needed" basis. If we do not currently have active members producing in all media areas, we may take consignment artists to balance the offerings in the gallery.

APPLICATION FORM

* Required for Consignment or Membership

** Required for Membership Applicants only

* NAME _____

* ADDRESS _____

* PHONE _____ EVE _____

E-MAIL/WEBSITE _____

* A brief description of style and media used in your work:

* Please describe some of your current work:
Title, Medium, Size and Price:

** Your intentions/ goals in becoming a member of Currents Gallery:

APPLICATION FORM

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** Can you make an initial commitment of one year's membership? _____

** Are you available to work in the Gallery approximately 12-18 hours per month, attend a monthly meeting, participate in third Saturday Art Walks?

** What are your time limitations?

** Each member is required to work on committees and perform necessary jobs. What skills and interests do you have that would be of benefit to our co-op gallery?

*** Please bring to Gallery:
This form, your resume,
a one-paragraph artist's statement
and six samples of your work,
framed or otherwise ready for display,
inventory with titles and retail prices.**

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MEMBERSHIP OR CONSIGNMENT

Information and Application