

Library Exhibitions

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The Cloquet Public Library is a community center and as such invites exhibitions that:

- have artistic quality
- have historical significance
- are educational
- have relevance to a broad and diverse audience

and that are appropriate for the space available in the library.

The library retains the right to determine the suitability of any proposed exhibition. Prospective exhibitors should keep in mind that display space is limited, and that displays are in open areas of the library, and as such will be viewed by members of the public of all ages.

Accordingly, the library discourages any proposed exhibitions that contain images that include significant elements of sexually explicit imagery, nudity or graphic depiction of violence.

Additionally, library exhibit spaces may **not** be used:

- for commercial or political purposes
- for religious proselytizing
- for solicitation of business
- for profit, or
- for fundraising.

Religious displays are accepted if they are educational.

Proposals for exhibitions should be submitted to the Cloquet Public Library director, who, along with library staff, will determine if the exhibit is appropriate for the library, and whether display space is available and suitable. Library personnel will consider a wide range of artistic expression in deciding on potential exhibitors, while keeping in mind that all segments of the community and all age groups use the areas in which displays may be placed.

Exhibits may be displayed for up to one month, depending on the demand for space. Reservations for display space may be made up to 90 days in advance. Exceptions for the 90-day reservation time limit may be made for traveling exhibits because they often require a longer lead-time to secure.

Reservations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis; however, organizations may be limited to one exhibit per calendar year. The setting up and removing of display materials must be done at the times agreed upon with the library director when the space is reserved. Failure to do so may result in the loss of exhibit privileges.

Neither the Cloquet Public Library nor the City of Cloquet is responsible for any damage or theft that may occur to an exhibit placed in the library.