

Becoming G L A M!

Gallery + Library + Archive + Museum

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Why a gallery?

- A gallery beautifies a library
- Bring displays to people who may not visit a gallery or museum
- You have the space so why not?
- Promote, enhance, and participate in arts and culture in your community
- A chance for patrons to interact with artists and vice-versa
- Bring out hidden collections from your archives, museum storage, etc.
- Address social issues in the community
- Provide a place to display faculty and student art

What does it cost?

- Staff time!
- Costs vary depending on level of gallery - can be very expensive or very inexpensive
- Budget may include furniture, hardware, display "props," printing costs, and more

Working with exhibitors

- Provide clear expectations, rules and dates in writing (see forms below for examples)
- Try to gauge the exhibitor's level of experience so you know how much you need to do
- Be ready for lots of hand-holding
- Anticipate questions/problems and have materials to address them

Selecting and planning exhibits

- Put out a "Call to artists"
- Consider reflecting cultural programming months (e.g. Native American Heritage Month, etc.)
- Highlight existing collections, such as archive or museum content
- Feature faculty, staff, and student art

Forms and Policies

- University of Portland: <https://library.up.edu/about-the-library/exhibits-information-criteria.html>
- Spokane Public Library: <https://www.spokanelibrary.org/faq/exhibit/>
- Hillsboro Public Library: <https://www.hillsboro-oregon.gov/departments/library/art-in-the-library>
- Pacific University: <http://www.lib.pacificu.edu/wp-content/uploads/exhibit-proposal-form.pdf>