

Art Gallery Exhibit Policy and Application



BriarPatch Co-op offers art exhibit space for the enjoyment of our customers and to promote local artists.

Who may exhibit

Artists who have an approved application.

Reserving the gallery

Applications are available at the Customer Service desk or on the web site under the Community tab. Reservations for exhibit dates are generally made several months ahead of time. Scheduling may be based on a waiting list, and to allow for a variety of art media and/or BriarPatch special events.

Gallery wall dimensions

Exhibit wall space is located in the seating area in the front of the store, past the registers.

Artists are asked to plan to hang art works on each of the three wall areas:

Wall 1, track lighting – 35' x 4'

Wall 2A, overhead lights and light from window – 13' x 4'

Wall 2B, can lighting – 20' x 3'

Length of exhibits

Exhibits will be displayed for one full month, starting the first Friday of each month, during the normal store hours of operation.

Outside advertising is the responsibility of the artist.

How to apply

Please submit an Exhibit Application and Agreement (next page) and provide a sample of the work to be shown. Email images and application to gallery@briarpatch.coop or give to customer service. Photos only, no original copies please!

Applications for exhibits will be reviewed by the Exhibit Manager, and may be approved or denied at their discretion. Artwork must be suitable for all ages. In general, artwork may not contain images of violence, discriminatory themes, nudity or sexual images, or represent overtly political topics.

Hanging artwork

Artists are responsible for hanging and removing exhibits under the guild lines of Exhibition Manager.

How – All artwork must be hung from installed wall rails using wire on back of art. Wire must hang two inches from top of frame. (Weight limits: wall track: 78 lbs. per 4' section; cables: 15 lbs. ea.) No nails, tacks, or tape. Place bumpers at the bottom of each corner on the back of each frame to avoid scraping the walls. Artists are responsible for secure hanging of artwork to ensure customers' safety and to avoid damage to the artwork or to BriarPatch property.

When – Installation of artwork should take place the first Friday of your scheduled exhibit month, between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m., unless other arrangements are approved with staff. Removal of artwork should take place the Thursday before the first Friday of the following month from 7:30 and 9:00 a.m. or with other arrangements made with staff. Note: the store and the deli / cafe will be open during these morning hours, and you may be working at the same time as another artist during this transition. Please consider customer safety and security of your artwork during this process.

Materials – Please provide a bio of the artist and comments on an 8.5"x11" paper with no less than a one-inch boarder. This will be placed in a frame provided by BriarPatch. Labels must have a cohesive look, with titles and prices attached to side of frame, as not to be visible from the front or attach to the back side of piece so it hangs down from the right bottom front corner.

Art sales

There is no fee for exhibiting in the BriarPatch gallery. If you would like to donate proceeds from your show, they can be donated to a Coop Cause of your choice. The artist is solely responsible for selling their work. BriarPatch employees will not participate in sales of artwork. Leave sold pieces hanging until the end of the exhibit period. Thank You!

Art Gallery Exhibit Application/Agreement

All artists in the community are encouraged to apply to show in the Good Food Gallery.

Agreement: BriarPatch does not provide insurance for artwork. You are responsible for properly insuring your artwork during the exhibit.

- Artist accepts full responsibility for insuring self, Artist's employees or assistants, artwork, or property throughout installation and removal of artwork from the BriarPatch Food Co-op premises and duration of exhibit.
- Artist waives any and all claims against BriarPatch Food Co-op for personal injury, injury to Artist's employees or assistants, artwork, or property throughout installation and removal of artwork from the BriarPatch premises and duration of exhibit.
- Artist will be responsible for any damage to BriarPatch Food Co-op property due to actions taken by Artist, Artist's employees or assistants occurring during installation, throughout the duration of exhibit, or during removal of exhibit.

BriarPatch Gallery Manager will assist Artist in the hanging of the show, follow BriarPatch Art Gallery Exhibit Policy.

Should any employee, customer, or BriarPatch owner-member express to the Marketing Department and/or Exhibit Committee comments regarding the offensiveness or inappropriateness of any piece in the art exhibit, at any time during exhibit, the Exhibit Committee will make a decision as to whether the piece will be removed from the exhibit. The decision of the Exhibit Committee is final and binding.

Art exhibited in the BriarPatch Gallery does not necessarily reflect the views or opinions of the BriarPatch Co-op Board of Directors, staff, or owner-members.

Use of name / likeness

BriarPatch may use names and photos of artists or artwork for the purpose of advertising the exhibits only, including in the BriarPatch newsletter and social media. If you do not want photos used for this purpose, please note on application. Complete and return this form to customer service and/or email along with representative photos of your artwork to gallery@briarpatch.coop. (Please do not post exhibit announcements until your exhibit application is approved and an exhibit date is set.) Questions, (530) 272-5333, ex.140

Artist's Name _____ Contact Phone(s) _____

Mailing Address _____ Email Address _____

Art Medium _____

By signing this agreement, I agree to hold BriarPatch harmless from any liability for damage, loss or destruction of property, or injuries to any persons. Any claims for such loss, damage or injury are waived by signing this agreement.

I agree to take responsibility for any damage occurring to the BriarPatch property during installation, removal of artwork or duration of exhibit, and will bear the full cost of repair, including replacement, if necessary.

I agree to the conditions outlined in the BriarPatch Artwork Exhibit Policy / Artist Agreement.

Artist's Signature _____ Date _____

BriarPatch Exhibit Committee

Representative's Signature _____ Date _____

To be completed by Exhibit Manager upon approval:

Month/Year of Exhibit _____ Installation Date _____

Committee Notes: