

**TO:** CITY ARTS COMMISSION

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**TITLE:** Exhibition of Art in the Central Library

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**ABSTRACT:**

The Cultural Arts Division's current procedure is for artists to submit a completed *Application for Review and Consideration of Art* to display their art in the Lobby Gallery in the Central Library. The Fine Arts Committee meets to review submissions and accepts art for display, and determines the schedule for displayed art. Staff notifies the artists and arranges the hanging of the art.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Arts Commission approve the artists recommended for display by the Fine Arts Committee.

**FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:**

No funding requirement.

**DISCUSSION:**

The City of Newport Beach maintains two exhibit spaces at the Central Library. The Lobby Gallery in the Central Library has approximately 38 feet of linear wall space designed for two-dimensional pieces of art. Additionally, artists may apply to exhibit three-dimensional works in the two display cabinets added to the lobby of Central Library in 2010. The display cases are approximately 24" high x 24" deep x 24" wide.

Prior to May 2013, all gallery spaces were administered by the Cultural Arts Coordinator. The gallery space is now managed by the Library Services Director. The City Arts Commission's Fine Arts Ad Hoc Subcommittee meets periodically to review artist's submissions; and artists are notified by mail of acceptance. Art exhibitions have been scheduled for at least one year in advance for all exhibit locations.

Artists who want their work considered for display submit a completed *Application for Review and Consideration of Art*. Typically, the Fine Arts Committee considers the applications en masse. Prior to the Cultural Arts Coordinator's retirement in May 2013, the following artists were approved and notified by the Fine Arts Committee for display:

Leonard Myszynski  
Akoko Okeyo  
Miyeun Yi  
Edward Finnell  
Fredric Hope  
Ting-Ting Lee  
Michael Magrutsche

Neil Buttermore  
Gobind Boyes

Unfortunately, the examples of these artist's work submitted with their applications have not been retained.

In January 2014, the Fine Arts Committee approved and notified the following artists:

James Strombotne  
Richard Bohn  
Agnes Schenk  
Richard de Prellieux Lonsdale-Hands

Examples of these artist's work have been retained and are available for review.

**NOTICING:**

This agenda item has been noticed according to the Brown Act (72 hours in advance of the meeting at which the Board of Library Trustees considers the item).