



Schaefer International Gallery, Exhibit Guidelines

GALLERY MISSION STATEMENT

The Center's exhibits program seeks to encourage fresh ways of seeing, thinking, and engaging with visual arts and to fulfill a need for inspiration and meaning in our lives.

GOALS

We present visual arts from the State of Hawai'i and around the world to reflect important issues and ideas of our time. Our primary goal is to support artists in their exploration of new and innovative work. We celebrate the spectrum of human experience by presenting a broad view of cultures, places, and people. We believe that the arts are essential to the quality of life and education of our community.

The exhibits program incorporates visual arts presentations from the following categories:

- **Exhibit Proposals:** The gallery accepts exhibit applications from individuals, groups of artists, and organizations during our open proposals period each year. We encourage artists to use this opportunity to convey contemporary ideas that demonstrate challenge and experimentation through innovative work. (See EXHIBIT APPLICATIONS below for details)
- **Thematic Invitational Exhibits:** Curated by the Center's Gallery Director and Exhibits Committee, these exhibits focus on current issues and ideas pertinent to our island and global community. These opportunities help to encourage and advance the careers of artists in Hawai'i and throughout the world.
- **Traveling Exhibits:** These exhibits travel to the gallery from other art institutions and collections, featuring a range of historical, traditional, and contemporary art forms. Traveling exhibits provide valuable opportunities for our visitors to experience artistic achievements from international origins.
- **Retrospectives:** These curated exhibits honor the life work and creative accomplishments of established artists from around the world.
- **Collaborative Exhibits:** Organized in collaboration with other museums, cultural organizations, and guest curators, these exhibits allow the MACC to share resources and expertise.

- **Juried Exhibits:** These opportunities offer a competitive forum for artists and a chance to create work to be shown with other accomplished artists. Jurors represent a cross-section of visual arts professionals.
- **Schaefer Portrait Challenge:** A signature event of Maui Arts & Cultural Center, this triennial juried exhibit encourages participation from artists statewide to capture the diversity of our community and chronicle the changing face of Hawai'i through portraiture. Two cash prizes are affiliated with this prestigious exhibition, which started in 2003.

EDUCATION

Our goal is to make exhibits at the MACC relevant and engaging for our community as we strive to meet the educational needs of a broader audience and instill the importance of visual art and the creative accomplishments of local, regional, and international artists. By offering a dynamic educational program that augments each exhibit in the gallery, MACC welcomes a diverse range of visitors into the learning experience through our visiting artist lectures, workshops, demonstrations, and tours for students.

EXHIBIT APPLICATIONS

The gallery accepts applications from artists and organizations during our open proposal period from **August 1 – November 30** every year, providing an opportunity to hear concepts from those who would like to exhibit in our space.

We accept two types of applications:

- **Exhibit Application:** This application is for individuals, groups of artists, or organizations to propose an exhibit based on a specific concept or body of work.
- **Artist Profile Application:** This application is for artists who would like to apply to be on the gallery's roster for consideration in future invitational, thematic, and group exhibits.

Please indicate the type of application you are submitting and send materials by mail, email, or deliver them to the gallery. All applications must be received by November 30 and will be reviewed by the gallery's Exhibits Committee. Applicants will be notified of decisions in the early part of the calendar year.

INVOLVEMENT

If you would like to know more about the gallery and our programming, we welcome you to attend our exhibits and related public events such as workshops, lectures, and demonstrations. More info at **mauiarts.org**

SCHAEFER INTERNATIONAL GALLERY

Designed by John M. Hara FAIA, Schaefer International Gallery is one of the largest museum-quality exhibition spaces in the State of Hawai'i. The gallery provides an exceptional 4,000 square foot space with soaring ceilings of 25 feet, solid wood flooring, climate control, and state of the art lighting. The movable inner wall system enables a uniquely designed environment to support the content of each exhibit display.

Gallery Hours:

Tuesday – Saturday, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Admission is FREE.

Also open before select Castle Theater shows and during intermission.

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