Teen Room Artist’s Alley Display

The Teen Room at Cary Memorial Library welcomes teens (grades 6-12) interested in displaying their two dimensional artwork (painting, collages, drawing, photography, etc.). The Teen Room Artist’s Alley display space (a 9’ by 4’ area located at one end of the Teen Room) is made available to an individual teen or group of teens for a period of no longer than one month. Applications will be evaluated within the three weeks following the quarterly deadlines listed below. Staff may require additional information from an applicant before making a final decision on an application, and if requested, applicants will be given two weeks to provide it. Priority in Artist’s Alley exhibits is given to Lexington teens and is subject to such additional criteria as determined by the Teen Room staff. The decision of the staff regarding the approval or denial of all applications is final.

Applications received by:
- October 15th will be considered for Winter Displays (December, January, February)
- January 15th will be considered for Spring Displays (March, April, May)
- April 15th will be considered for Summer Displays (June, July, August)
- July 15th will be considered for Fall Displays (September, October, November)

Teen Artist’s Alley Policies and Procedures
Artists must be prepared to hang their exhibits within the first three days of the month assigned. All artwork included in the exhibit must remain hanging for the duration of the month (unless other arrangements are agreed upon by both parties). Artists must be prepared to hang their own work with minimal assistance from the Teen Room staff. The artwork must be able to be hung using the library’s hanging system.

The artist will produce an artist’s statement and brief description of the exhibit for display which will fit on a card measuring no larger than 8 ½ x 11 inches. The artist is also responsible for producing small labels for each art piece.

The Teen Room is part of a public building that serves people of all ages. We ask that teen artists ensure that pieces are appropriate for a general audience. Questions about content will be clarified during the application process. A member of the Teen Room staff must approve the exhibit after it is hung, and may require changes in layout for appearance or safety considerations. A complete list of the all the artworks contained in the exhibit must be left with the Teen Room Staff.

Exhibits must be removed no later than the last day of the month. The Teen Room staff have no space to store any artwork. Artwork must be removed from the buildings immediately after the exhibit is dismantled.
The Town of Lexington does not hold insurance for artwork on exhibit and is not responsible for loss of or damage to any of the artists' work. The exhibitor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless, the Town of Lexington, the Cary Library, and the Lexington Community Center against any theft, damage, or liability as a result of the use of the exhibit space.

Cary Memorial Library will not engage in selling or negotiating for the sale of artwork on behalf of the artist. However, contact information for the artist may be left in the Teen Room. The Cary Memorial Library shall receive no commission for any artwork sold.
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Name(s): _____________________________________________________________

Email(s): ____________________________________________________________

Telephone number(s): ________________________________________________

Exhibit title: __________________________________________________________

Description of artwork to be displayed: ________________________________

Anticipated number and size of pieces to be exhibited: __________________

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Is your artwork framed? _______________________________________________

I/We prefer to exhibit during the following month: __________________________

I understand that my child is applying to display their artwork through Cary Teens Lead the Way. I have read and understand the library’s expectations should their application be accepted.

Parent/Guardian Signature: (one adult signature per application is sufficient) Date

I/We have read the Teen Room Art Wall Policies and Procedures and I agree to follow them.

Teen Signature(s) Date

Please attach a brief Artist’s Statement (no more than 200 words) and images of the work you intend to display to this application.

Questions regarding this application can be directed to the staff in the Teen Room at 781-698-4440 or by emailing mtechler@minlib.net

Completed applications should be returned by the stated deadline to:
Michelle Techler, Teen Service Manager
Cary Memorial Library
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Lexington, MA 02420
mtechler@minlib.net