Thank you for your interest in exhibiting at the Somerville Public Library. The Gallery @ SPL features month-long exhibits by local artists at the Central Library (79 Highland Avenue.) It celebrates Somerville’s vibrant & diverse artistic community, and makes art accessible to all residents of Somerville. If selected, each Gallery @ SPL artist will host an opening reception for their exhibition, giving our community the opportunity to meet you.

Please take a self-guided tour of the Central Library Auditorium prior to applying so that you are familiar with the room’s size limitations. All the art must fit the space available on the walls.

Works in all media will be considered, including photography and three-dimensional art that can be hung, with the exception of sculptures. Somerville residents or organizations serving the Somerville community are encouraged to apply.

Exhibits are selected for monthly shows in the Library Auditorium on the basis of:

◆ Quality of the artist's work based on completeness of application and thoroughness of support materials
◆ Clarity of artist statement
◆ Diversity and balance in schedule of exhibits
◆ Exhibit history (preference may be given to new or first-time exhibitors)
◆ How closely the exhibit or artwork complements the library’s Rules of Conduct and Meeting Room Policy
◆ Benefit to the Somerville community

To be considered for an exhibit, please complete all of the information on this form. Submissions should be sent to splgallery@minlib.net, or dropped off at the Central Library Reference Desk.

Artists Name / Organization: ____________________________________________________________

Contact Name (if different from above): ___________________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________________

Email: ______________________________________________________________________________

Phone Number: _______________________________________________________________________

Exhibit Title: _________________________________________________________________________

Anticipated Number of Pieces in Exhibit: _________ Relative Size(s) of pieces: _________________

Preferred Exhibit Month (Place a 1 next to your first choice, a 2 next to your second choice, or select no preference)

  June  July  August  September  October  November  December  No Preference

Have you been selected to exhibit at the Gallery @ SPL before? (If yes, in what month / year?)

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Are you a Somerville Resident, or is your organization based in Somerville, MA? ______________

Please also submit an Artist Statement (no more than 2 pages), along with at least four (4) or more accompanying images of the artwork.