



Volcano Art Center

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Volcano Art Center Gallery in Hawaii Volcanoes National Park SPECIAL EXHIBITION GUIDELINES FOR PROPOSAL

Volcano Art Center (VAC) is a nonprofit arts and educational organization that provides ongoing opportunities for visual artists in all media to sell their work in the *Volcano Art Center Gallery*. The gallery, located in the former Volcano House Hotel built in 1877, is open year-round, seven days a week. VAC operates the gallery under a Cooperative Agreement with the National Park Service to enhance the interpretive programs of Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park (HVNP) by actively supporting Hawaii's artistic community and its multi-cultural background and by showcasing a broad cross section of talent, including native Hawaiian artists.

Artists who would like to have their work considered for a solo or group exhibit in VAC gallery should think about how their work fits the mission of VAC and the interpretive goals of HVNP. Our mission is to promote, develop and perpetuate Hawaii's artistic, cultural and environmental heritage through the arts and education. HVNP's agreement with VAC states that VAC will feature work that has a direct relationship to the Hawaiian culture and the scenic and natural values of the park and Hawai'i. The agreement further stipulates that no item will be exhibited or sold that contains lava or any part of any rare or endangered species as defined under the Endangered Species Act. Artists whose work to be shown contains koa wood must provide assurance that the koa has been legally harvested.

To have work considered for a special exhibit, please submit a proposal with the following:

1. Five to ten color photos or digital images of the type of work being proposed for exhibit. Please include a key indicating the medium and size of each piece and any additional information that would be helpful. If the proposed work would differ from the images you submit in some significant way (i.e. size, subject matter, medium), please explain the variances. If you have representative work posted online, please provide the web address.
2. A resume or bio of yourself (or others, if a group) as it relates to your work. Extensive exhibition experience is not required.
3. Any special requirements for proper display of the artwork. Because of the historic nature of our building, we are unable to show work that requires climate control, specialized lighting, high security, reinforced floors, or certain other needs.
4. The expected wholesale price range of the work to be shown.

Proposals should be accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope large enough to accommodate your materials and any other items you would like returned, and a non-refundable \$25.00 application fee.

You may hand-deliver or mail to

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Attn: Curator

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