

THE GARAGE AT SALISBURY HOUSE

The Garage at Salisbury House provides space for moments of community, art, and history, and honors Edith and Carl Weeks' lifelong support of cultural expression.

OPEN CALL FOR COMMUNITY-CURATED EXHIBITIONS IN THE GARAGE AT SALISBURY HOUSE

We invite proposals for community-curated shows for the 2018 season. Current availability includes the following dates:

April 11 – May 20

September 26 – November 4

Submission deadline: August 30, 2017

Outcomes will be communicated no later than September 15, 2017

Submission Guidelines

- Proposals must indicate a lead curator, who will be responsible for all aspects of communication with Salisbury House Foundation (SHF) personnel
- Proposals must contain a minimum of four artists, with two confirmed at the time of proposal submission
- Proposals should include images that provide a general sense of the point of view, narrative, or theme for the show
- Only two-dimensional artworks may be included in the proposed show
- There will be special interest in proposals that suggest an element(s) of Salisbury House history, its collections, and/or programming

Here's the Fine Print

Before the Show

- Lead curators are responsible for implementing each show in accordance with the proposal submitted to the Salisbury House Foundation (SHF)
- Lead curators and artists should make all reasonable effort to promote the show through social media and/or other appropriate venues
- SHF will promote the show through its own social media channels
- Lead curators must provide SHF staff with signed/dated agreements from all parties involved in the show, attesting to their awareness of and agreement to all policies outlined herein

Installation

- Lead curators, in concert with SHF personnel, are responsible for exhibit installation pending SHF hours and availability
- Lead curators will coordinate with SHF staff for installation of the show and any scheduling related to the exhibit
- Works must be installed on existing hangers in The Garage
- Art is covered by the Salisbury House Foundation's wall-to-wall insurance policy

At the Opening

- SHF will provide The Garage free of charge for the specified duration of the show, including an evening event for the show's opening that will be free to the public
- Lead curators and artists provide any food or beverages served at the show's opening; SHF will staff the food/beverage table

During the Show's Run

- After the opening, the gallery will be accessible as part of regular paid tours at Salisbury House
- It is possible, pending rental of the gallery space in 2018, that the exhibition may be temporarily removed during the show's run
 - If this happens, Salisbury House will alert lead curators and actuate the in-house removal and re-installation of the show
- Artists may offer their work for sale to the public
 - Artists will retain 80% of the proceeds from art sales
 - The remaining 20% will be considered a donation to Salisbury House to fund the ongoing conservation of Salisbury House collections.
 - Buyers will contact artists directly to purchase art, and artists are responsible for donating 20% of the sale back to Salisbury House no later than the show's closing date

After the Show

- Lead curators coordinate removal of artworks with artists and SHF staff, pending SHF hours and availability

How to Submit Proposals

- Proposal packages should contain the following:
 - Lead curator's resume in PDF or Word format
 - One-page description describing the content of the exhibition in PDF or Word format
 - 2-3 images from each artist included in the exhibition with each image clearly labeled
 - If specific works from an artist(s) are as yet incomplete, include representative image(s) of their work in JPG format
 - An inventory of images that lists the artist name, title, year, medium, and dimensions in PDF or Word format
- Email a link (via Google, Dropbox, or similar) containing the proposal package to msibbel@salisburyhouse.org, OR deliver either a CD or memory stick containing the proposal to Salisbury House at 4025 Tonawanda Drive, Des Moines, Iowa 50312, ATTN: Megan Stout Sibbel.

Decisions regarding submissions will be made and communicated no later than September 15, 2017.

Questions?

Contact Megan Stout Sibbel at msibbel@salisburyhouse.org or (515) 274-1777.