



CAFE EXHIBITIONS FAQs

Our Cafe space hosts regular visual art exhibitions; visit the Cafe Exhibitions webpage to see what's currently on display.

Interested in showing your work? Read on for answers to frequently asked questions, then contact exhibits@artsatthearmory.org.

How long does an exhibit last? Exhibits typically run for 1-2 months, but other periods may be available by special request.

How much does it cost? There's no charge for the exhibit itself or to apply. If you sell any art, we take a commission (20%).

What kind of work can be displayed? The Cafe mainly shows two-dimensional pieces that can hang on the walls (paintings, photography, drawings, etc). No nudity is permitted to be shown in any artwork exhibited on the premises per the Licensing Commission of the City of Somerville Rules and Regulations.

How many pieces of art can I hang? There are three 5x5 foot wall spaces to exhibit large art works. We also have 3x4 and 4x4 foot wall spaces for medium or smaller sized pieces.

How do I hang my work? The Cafe has picture railing around the room. Metal hooks hang on the railing, with fishing line (or ribbons, string, twine) hanging down to support the artwork. Alternately, you can use the plastic hooks that are designed to be removable on any non-brick walls, or blue painter's tape is acceptable for lightweight pieces. Please note it is not possible to nail into the walls or use fasteners that would peel off the paint or otherwise damage the walls.

How far in advance do you schedule? This varies but typically we're scheduling exhibits a minimum of 2-3 months out, and sometimes as much as 6-8 months out.

How do I apply? For inquiries related to solo shows, please email exhibits@artsatthearmory.org and include information about yourself as an artist, your artwork, and information on how to see samples of your work (link to online portfolio, attached images, times you can visit with a physical portfolio, etc).