# City of Lubbock, TX Library

### **Administrative Policies and Procedures**

Subject: Library Exhibits and Displays **Effective Date:** 01/01/04

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Assistant City Manager

Executive Director

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Applies to: Library Patrons/Staff

Policy: The Lubbock Public Library offers free exhibit space at selected locations

in the library system.

Roles and

Responsibilities: Library Director/Supervisory Staff

Ensures exhibit policies and procedures are followed.

**Exhibitors** 

Assume responsibility for any damage to library property caused by the installation, display, or dismantling of an exhibit.

Procedures: **Exhibit Areas** 

Mahon Library

Wood paneled south walls with picture hangers.

Five large, glass locking exhibit cases under the mezzanine.

• Bulletin boards in children's department with windows being used for additional space.

Groves Branch Library

One large, glass locking exhibit case.

Patterson Branch Library

• End panels with felt backing for hanging art.

Freestanding exhibits may be placed in areas of library buildings that are adequate for public viewing.

#### Guidelines

- Displays are scheduled by a designated staff member at each library location.
- Exhibits are normally limited to a one-month period with dates for installation and removal established in advance.
- Works for sale may be purchased in accordance with individual arrangements with the artists. Library staff does not participate in any of the purchase arrangements. Exhibitors are encouraged to post a statement about their work but price tags may not be affixed to the works exhibited or displayed. Exhibitor contact information may be placed on the display.
- Transporting, unloading, hanging, and arrangement of exhibits is the responsibility of the exhibitor under the supervision of the library staff. If the exhibitor needs assistance in this effort, it is his/her responsibility to bring someone to assist.
- The library does not have space for storage of the property of exhibitors in the library building; therefore, artists are asked to deliver and pick up artwork according to the dates established in advance.
- Children's art is exhibited using only first names on the front of the piece. Grade level may also be mentioned.
- Exhibits should exemplify the following:
  - o Contribute positively to the library's environment.
  - o Highlight, whenever possible, the library's collection.

- o Promote resources and services of the library.
- Enrich the life of the Lubbock community.
- o Strengthen partnerships between the library and the community.
- Exhibits/displays of a controversial or discriminatory nature will be refused. If elements of a display are judged inappropriate by the Library Director, the sponsoring individual or organization will be required to remove those elements from the premises immediately.

## Security

• Items on display in the library are given the same security as the library collection and equipment. Irreplaceable or items of great value should not be included in displays.

# Checks and Balances:

Library supervisory staff provides training and oversight in the implementation of the library exhibit policy.