

# Call for Exhibition Proposals, 2013 Season



**GRACE (Greater Reston Arts Center)** is a non-profit arts center in Northern Virginia dedicated to presenting visual art that illuminates new ideas and promotes dialogue between artists and audience. The exhibition program offers artists from the mid-Atlantic region opportunities to experiment and expand their work in an open, contemporary space. Artists living or working in Virginia, Maryland, the District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and West Virginia are invited to submit proposals.

GRACE exhibitions are scheduled from September through July and include solo exhibitions, thematic shows, site-specific and inter-active installations, and an annual juried exhibition. The arts center also sponsors opening receptions, artist talks, workshops, readings, music, dance, and other cultural programs as part of its mission to engage the community in contemporary art.

The arts center is now accepting proposals for periods of approximately 4 – 6 weeks from November 2012 through September of 2013. Six solo artists will be grouped into two Focus Exhibitions, each featuring three artists in separate areas of the gallery. Group exhibition proposals are also welcomed.

## **MISSION**

The mission of Greater Reston Arts Center, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization, is to enrich community life by promoting involvement and excellence in contemporary visual arts.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Artists living in Virginia, Maryland, the District of Columbia, Delaware, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia who have not had a solo exhibition at GRACE within the past three years are eligible. Artists must be 18 years of age or older.

## ACCEPTABLE WORKS

Artwork in all media is acceptable and must have been created within the past three years. Artwork must fit through the gallery's double doors.

## ACCESSING THE APPLICATION

All proposals for exhibitions at Greater Reston Arts Center must be submitted online through [http://www.juriedartservices.com/index.php?content=event\\_info&event\\_id=454](http://www.juriedartservices.com/index.php?content=event_info&event_id=454)

## APPLICATION DEADLINE and NOTIFICATION

All proposals must be received by midnight, **PST** October 16, 2011

Artists will be notified on December 12, 2011

## FEES

- \$25 (\$10 for GRACE members) Become a GRACE member at <http://www.restonarts.org/support/Membership.htm>

Application fees are non-refundable and due by the deadline. Fees are payable online by credit card or via mail by check to:

Greater Reston Arts Center, 12001 Market Street, Suite 103, Reston, VA 20190

## EVALUATION CRITERIA

The Exhibition Committee, comprised of artists, curators, and other arts professionals, considers proposals based on artistic merit, conceptual integrity, and relationship to the arts center's mission and its unique architectural space.

To view previous exhibitions, visit

<http://www.restonarts.org/Archives/>

To view a floor plan of the gallery, visit

<http://www.restonarts.org/Exhibitions/Exhibit-Opps.htm>

## TO ENTER

Each proposal requires an online application, a non-refundable application fee, and images and/or new media as described below.

Artists may submit multiple applications with fees and different images.

Group exhibition proposals should submit a curator's proposal/statement, list all participating artists, and follow the guidelines regarding images. Group proposals are required to pay only one fee.

Each application requires the following:

- Images (see below for specifications)
- Resume
- Proposal for Exhibition/Artist Statement
- Non-refundable application fee
- Link to artist website (optional)

## **IMAGES**

Artists should submit 10 images labeled as follows:

- Artist's Name
- Title
- Medium
- Dimensions
- Date
- Sales price or if NFS, insurance value

## **NEW MEDIA**

Video/film/sound artists should submit

2 -3 projects, each with a maximum of 5 minutes duration. Please provide a film still for each project and an online link where the committee can view your projects.

## **RESUME**

Include a brief resume. For group exhibitions, include the curator's resume.

## **ARTIST STATEMENT/EXHIBITION PROPOSAL**

Include a brief statement (no more than 500 words) about your work and your exhibition concept. If you are applying as a group, describe how each artist will contribute to the overall concept.

## **LINK TO WEBSITE (optional)**

Provide a link to your artist website. For group exhibitions, provide links to all participating artists' websites.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Please contact GRACE directly if you have questions.

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