

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF NEW TECUMSETH

CORPORATE POLICY

Subject Title: **ART DISPLAY POLICY**

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PURPOSE:

The Town of New Tecumseth wishes to support its local Arts Council by providing the opportunity for artists' work to be displayed in the Town municipal office and recreational facilities. A policy will assist in managing such exhibits.

POLICY:

The Town of New Tecumseth encourages the display artworks in the Town's municipal office and recreational facilities including painting, photography etc for civic, cultural, educational and recreational purposes. Wall space in locations specified from time to time in the Town's municipal office will be available on an equitable basis to individuals or groups from the New Tecumseth and South Simcoe area for artworks that meet the standards for acceptance. Displays will be accessible to the public during business hours.

PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES:

1. All displays of original art must be reviewed by the South Simcoe Arts Council to determine if the artwork is suitable for display in a public facility. Only artwork that is approved shall be accepted for display. The Town does not accept responsibility for ensuring that all points of view are represented in any single display. Granting of permission to display materials does not imply staff or Council endorsement of content, nor will the Town accept responsibility for the accuracy of statements made in such materials. All displays will meet existing Provincial and Federal laws on obscenity, libel, defamation of character or invasion of privacy.
2. Arrangements for a display will be scheduled through the South Simcoe Arts Council. The set up of the display and the removal at the end of the display period shall be the responsibility of the South Simcoe Arts Council and the artist. All displays must use the hardware approved by the Town for displays.
3. Where there is a waiting list for display space, art shall be displayed for a maximum of 8 weeks.

4. Art may be displayed in public areas of Town recreational facilities as designated by the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department from time to time and the following areas of the Town Municipal Office:
 - Main Floor front lobby/reception area of the Municipal office
 - Hallway leading to Victoria Room
 - Stairway to Second Floor
 - Second Floor lobby and hallway
5. Town use of display areas takes precedence over any other use and the Town reserves the right, without notice, to cancel the use of the display area by exhibits if it is determined that the display space is needed for Town purposes.
6. All artwork and photography shall be appropriately framed and/or matted.
7. The Artist may price his/her work, display a price list and sales shall be administered by the SSAC in conjunction with the artist. The Town of New Tecumseth is not responsible for arranging any sales of work displayed and no sales shall be administered on Town property.
8. Artists may post an Artist's statement or other description to the display.