

Exhibition Proposals

We welcome proposals from artists and guest curators for exhibitions in any media, and in any subject area. These include solo, group exhibitions and touring shows as well as exhibitions that include work by, for, or about children, or of work evolving out of projects or residencies. There is no deadline for proposals, and your package will be acknowledged when received.

Introduction

The Surrey Art Gallery's mandate is to engage the public in dialogue about issues and ideas that affect our numerous communities as expressed through contemporary art, and to provide opportunities for the public to interact with artists and the artistic process. We host exhibitions of local as well as international contemporary art. We try to balance our annual exhibition plan in terms of media, content, and practice. All exhibitions are chosen with consideration of our local audience - the citizens of Surrey. As a professionally run art museum, it is not our practice to hold exhibitions for purpose of sales. However we do provide support to artists by providing artist's fees, assistance with shipping and installation, insurance coverage and exhibition promotion.

Artist's Proposals

Please include the following information in your package:

- 1 Covering letter.
- 2 Curriculum Vitae - biographical information, education history, exhibition history, lists and/or copies of reviews, articles, etc.
- 3 Images can be provided on CD-Rom or accessed on a web page. We encourage artists to have a website with current information and images.
- 4 Digital Content (video, sound) can be provided on CD-Rom or on DVD. We can accept PC compatible multi-media CDs, DVDs, or access to websites. We can view most DVD formatted discs.
- 5 Statement - should provide a context for the proposal.
- 6 Mail your package and include a Self-Addressed, Postage Paid Return Envelope. (Please: no email submissions as we cannot guarantee receipt of messages and attachments.)



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Project/Exhibition Proposal Suggestions

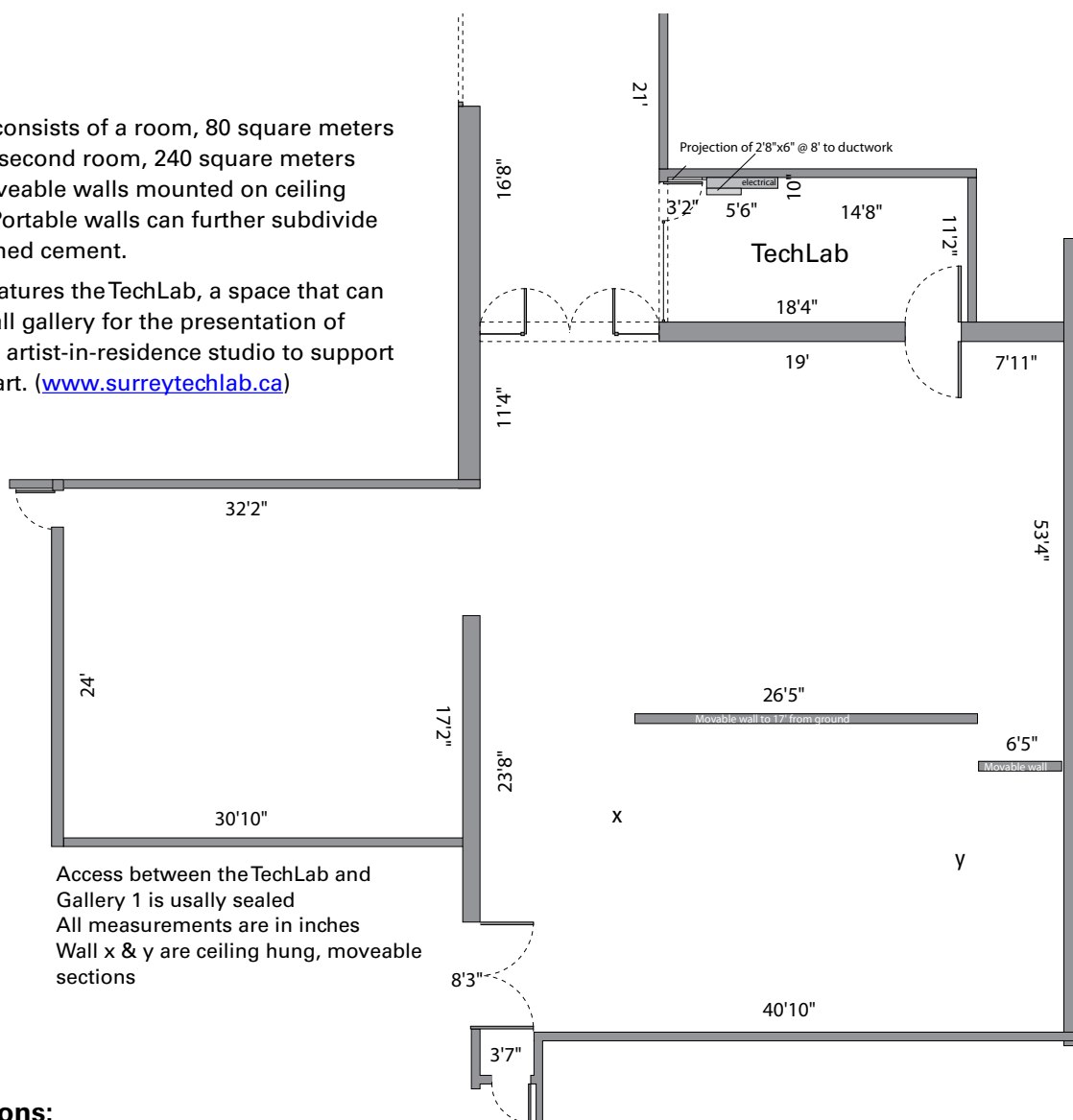
We are also interested in receiving proposals for group shows, touring shows, artist projects including residencies, and other exhibition concepts.

The following should be included in addition to items 1-6 listed above for Artist's Proposals:

- 7 Project Proposal - this should provide a complete description about the exhibition or project and the artists to be included.
- 8 Detailed Budget - how much will it cost?
- 9 Equipment and Technical Requirements List.

The Gallery's exhibition halls consists of a room, 80 square meters with 3.3-meter ceilings, and a second room, 240 square meters with 6-meter ceilings. Two moveable walls mounted on ceiling tracks divide the large room. Portable walls can further subdivide all rooms. The floors are polished cement.

The Surrey Arts Centre also features the TechLab, a space that can be used in two ways: as a small gallery for the presentation of digital artworks; or as a digital artist-in-residence studio to support the production of new digital art. (www.surreytechlab.ca)



Frequently Asked Questions:

Can I make more than one proposal?

Yes. Each proposal will be considered separately.

Do I have to live in Surrey to apply?

Generally, no. However, some Calls may have specific requirements.

Can I send a CD or DVD?

Please ensure your disc is formatted so it can be viewed on a PC. Accompany the disc with information on what you wish to be viewed.


Can I send my proposal via email?

We discourage proposals sent via email. Please use an alternative.

The Curatorial Committee meets 4 times a year to review all submissions. Every effort is made to inform artists of its decision within three months, however delays sometimes occur.

Although all submissions are treated with care, the Gallery assumes no responsibility for loss or damage to submission materials.

Please note that the Gallery plans exhibitions at least two years in advance.



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