



How to Submit an Exhibition Application for Agua Caliente Ranch House Visitor Center and Art Gallery

Thanks for your interest in exhibiting your works of art at the historic Agua Caliente Park Ranch House Art Gallery. Pima County's Agua Caliente Park is a desert oasis with a pond, lush landscape and spectacular views of the Santa Catalina and Rincon Mountains. The serene park setting is attractive to visitors from around the world and is also a popular location for local family gatherings, school groups, wildlife viewing and passive recreation. Pima County Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation (NRPR) manages the park to conserve the unique natural and historic resources and to provide appropriate recreational opportunities. Visitors enjoy many engaging educational and interpretive activities at the park. Tucson Audubon Society operates a nature shop, and Pima County staff and volunteers welcome visitors at the Ranch House Visitor Center and Art Gallery.

NRPR is accepting applications to exhibit works of art for each of the four-week sessions from January - December 2016. Works must reflect nature, wildlife, landscapes, southwestern themes, or local cultures that are in keeping with the setting at Agua Caliente Park. Acceptance for exhibition will be determined by a NRPR selection panel. Once the panel recommends candidates for exhibition the actual dates of exhibition will be determined by lottery.

The gallery space is approximately 88 linear feet with natural and spot lighting located within the historic ranch house. All types of media will be considered. Please note that there is very limited space for sculptural objects. Organized groups or several individuals may submit an application to share the space for a four-week session.

We recommend that you visit the gallery before submitting your application. Agua Caliente Park is located at 12325 E. Roger Road, Tucson, Arizona (do not send mail to this address). The Ranch House Visitor Center and Art Gallery is open Nov – April, Wed-Sun, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and May – Oct. Tues- Sat 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Exhibiting artists will be required to sign a Pima County Non-exclusive Rights Agreement. Artwork may be offered for sale. The sales lists or catalog will be displayed on a table within the gallery. You may number the art pieces to correspond with the catalog or price list but prices must not be posted on the artwork. Sales of other merchandise such as cards and prints are prohibited.

Sale transactions must be handled directly between artist and buyer. Pima County staff and volunteers will not take or arrange payment for any sales. Exhibition receptions may be held on pre-approved dates and times under specific terms set by NRPR. Exhibit receptions will be the responsibility of the exhibiting artist, including printing of invitations and advertising. Pima County will handle the routine advertising of the exhibitions and gallery open hours.

To be considered for a session during the January - December 2016 exhibition period please submit the following by (postal mail or by email) **March 14, 2015:**

- 1) Cover Sheet with your name or name of organization, contact information: phone number, email address, and mailing address.
- 2) Six – ten color photographs (4”x 6” or no larger than 8”x 10” prints) that are representative of the work you propose to exhibit. Email submissions should be jpg or pdf attachments. Please label images with artist name, title of work, dimensions of the piece, and art medium.
- 3) A brief resume or biography.
- 4) An artist’s statement and description of work.
- 5) Stamped, self-addressed envelope if you want application materials returned.

Send by Mail to:

Agua Caliente Park Ranch House Art Gallery
Pima County Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation
3500 W. River Road
Tucson, AZ 85741

Or Email to: aguacalientepark@pima.gov use jpeg or pdf attachments

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