



2024 Civic Museum Overview

Overview

The Salt Lake County Civic Museum is an Art in Public Places project that provides welcoming spaces to spotlight unheard and often overlooked narratives of our community through the exhibition of cultural items (fine artworks, folk artworks, historical pieces, etc).

Through the Civic Museum, each selected participant will showcase up to two cultural exhibitions at specific County facilities over two years, with oversight and support from the Salt Lake County Art in Public Places program. Participants will be selected via an open-call application process reviewed by a panel of County employees and community members.

The Salt Lake County Civic Museum is committed to promoting the mission and programming of artistic, cultural, and other community-based nonprofit organizations. Civic Museum participants will provide the County with a deeper understanding of shared experiences and innovative themes within their communities through the exhibitions they put on as a part of the project.

The desired outcome of the Civic Museum is to provide residents and visitors with a richer connection to Salt Lake County's diverse voices.

Application Period

Applications for the Art in Public Places Civic Museum will be accepted every other year. The current application period opens on June 12, 2024 and will close on July 26, 2024 at 1pm.

Eligibility

The Art in Public Places Civic Museum project welcomes applications from Salt Lake County-based nonprofit organizations dedicated to fostering arts, culture, historical preservation, and community engagement. However, individual artists are ineligible for participation. Submitted exhibitions should not serve a predominantly religious agenda or advocate for any specific religious viewpoint. Similarly, politically oriented content or advocacy is not permissible. Exhibitions must be thoroughly planned and prepared for installation, focusing solely on two-dimensional works suitable in scale, material, form, and content for public viewing.

Participation Term

Selected participants will enter a two-year project term with the Art in Public Places program. During this term, participants will be responsible for putting together and mounting exhibitions, and promoting their exhibition through their own channels. The Art in Public

Places program will work collaboratively with selected participants to provide a dedicated space for showcasing their artistic work and promote their exhibition to the community.

County Venues

The Civic Museum exhibitions will be featured at three Salt Lake County venues:

- **George S. and Dolores Doré Eccles Theater:** 131 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84111
- **Mid-Valley Performing Arts Center:** 2525 Taylorsville Blvd., Taylorsville, UT 84129
- **Salt Lake County Government Center:** 2001 South State Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84190

Exhibitions will be scheduled at these venues throughout the participation terms.

Selection Criteria

A Selection Subcommittee of the Salt Lake County Art & Culture Advisory Board will be formed. This Subcommittee will be made up of community members, County staff, and at least one member of the Salt Lake County Arts & Culture Advisory Board. The Subcommittee will review Civic Museum applications. The Selection Subcommittee will evaluate the applications based on the following criteria:

- **Alignment with Mission:** The extent to which the organization's mission aligns with the goals of the Art in Public Places Civic Museum.
- **Community Impact:** The potential for the organization's work to resonate with and engage diverse audiences within Salt Lake County.
- **Feasibility:** The organization's capacity to fulfill the requirements of the partnership, including logistical and administrative capabilities.

Application Process:

Interested organizations must submit a completed application via the online form, to include supporting materials that describe their proposed exhibition pieces and demonstrate the civic/community significance of said pieces in alignment with Civic Museum goals.

Applications are due by July 26, 2024 at 1pm.

Please read the [2024 Civic Museum Application Questions](#) prior to submitting your application. Applicants will not be able to save their application on the form and return to it later. Once they hit submit, the application will be finalized and submitted. It is advised that applicants pre-write their answers in a Word document and then copy their final responses into the application form. The [2024 Civic Museum Application Questions](#) has a complete list of the questions that will be asked on the application. All application answers will need to be less than 4000 characters, including spaces.

Notification of Selection:

Selected organizations will be notified of their acceptance into the project by [Notification Date]. Upon selection, participants will enter into a formal agreement outlining the terms and expectations of their participation in the project.

Artwork Sales

In alignment with the Civic Museum's mission of accessibility and inclusivity, the Civic Museum will facilitate direct connections between organizations and buyers within our Civic

Museum exhibitions. The Civic Museum will not charge any commission fees on artwork sales. Interested buyers will be directed to contact the exhibiting organization directly for purchases. This approach upholds our commitment to fostering artistic endeavors without altering existing programs or revenue streams.

Insurance

Selected organizations will need to provide proof of insurance for the artworks in the exhibitions. A standard form policy with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and a \$3,000,000 general policy aggregate, also naming the County as an additional insured, will be required.

The Civic Museum does:

- Co-promote your organization's Civic Museum exhibitions and provide a platform to share your mission and community activity.
- Schedule and coordinate space in select Salt Lake County venues to showcase curated exhibitions from your organization that are selected and approved for the Civic Museum project. This includes:
 - Help with installation.
 - Provides a hanging system for two-dimensional artwork.
 - Artwork must be framed and have back wire,
 - Provide wall labels for the pieces.
 - Provides exhibition signage.

The Civic Museum does not:

- Provide funding or other forms of monetary compensation.
- Accept applications from individual artists.
- Commission work from organizations.
- Provide fabrication assistance (all works must be installation-ready when they are brought to the County Venue.)
- Exhibit three-dimensional works.
- Provide equipment for digital work.
- Accept exhibitions featuring works that are incomplete or non-operational at the time of exhibition.
- Accept exhibitions that require daily or frequent maintenance.
- Accept exhibitions or works that are primarily religious in purpose or promote a religious viewpoint.
- Accept exhibitions or works that are politically oriented or advocate for a political viewpoint.
- Accept exhibitions or works that are not appropriate in scale, material, form, and content for the public.
- Provide insurance, the organization will need to provide insurance to cover the work.

Contact Information:

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