

# hello artist!

An artist's guide to partnering with  
the Arts Council of York County.

*We appreciate your interest in the Arts Council of York County's programming. The Arts Council is here to help you achieve your artistic goals! Find out about the Arts Council's classroom space, where you can host classes and workshops; exhibiting artwork in our galleries; learn about the artist studios at the Center for the Arts and Tom S. Gettys Center; and more!*

## EXHIBITIONS

The Arts Council of York County creates arts programming that encourages education, economic development, and arts advocacy through unique art experiences that engage the community to make York County a regional arts destination. The vision is to create a thriving, diverse and vibrant arts community in York County.

The Arts Council strives to present a variety of exhibitions that involve, expose, and educate the community in the visual arts. The Arts Council manages six galleries in three buildings in Old Town Rock Hill.

### CENTER FOR THE ARTS | 121 EAST MAIN STREET | ROCK HILL, SC 29730

Located in two 100-year-old adjacent buildings, the Center for the Arts is home to three galleries - the Dalton Gallery, the Perimeter Gallery, and the Edmund D. Lewandowski Classroom Gallery. In addition to serving as exhibition space for art exhibits throughout the year, the galleries are available for events like wedding receptions, class reunions, business meetings, and birthday parties.

#### 1) DALTON GALLERY

The Dalton Gallery is a professional gallery for the exhibition of experienced artists and community projects. It occupies the space at the front of the building. The Arts Council hosts seven to nine exhibitions each year, including the Teachers' Choice Exhibit, in celebration of Youth Art Month; the Juried Competition; a studio artists showcase; and Vernon Grant's Santa Exhibit, in conjunction with ChristmasVille. A public reception during each exhibit allows the community to recognize the artist/artists on display, and for art lovers to meet and greet the artists and to network with others.

##### Dalton Gallery Exhibition Criteria

In early spring each year, the Arts Council of York County issues a call for artists for works to be placed on exhibit the following year in the Dalton Gallery. Individual artists, groups of artists, and cultural organizations may propose exhibitions to be featured in the gallery. The Gallery Committee, led by the gallery manager, reviews proposals. Selections are measured on artistic merit, content, interest, purpose, and audience attraction in accordance with the Exhibition Philosophy.

##### Exhibition Philosophy

- Design must show aesthetic individuality, compositional quality, and reflect a unified body of work.
- Craftsmanship must show capability beyond minimal technical skills and experience with materials, tools of the medium, and their function.
- Items should be priced at a realistic ratio between the value of time and materials to artist, and the value of the artwork to the customer.

The Committee reserves the right to refuse work based on suitability, the number of artists submitting annually, and available space in the schedule. Artists may submit bodies of work for consideration annually to exhibit in the Dalton Gallery each year. These will be considered separately from previous submissions.

### Required for Dalton Gallery Submission

- 10 to 12 images on CD (300 dpi jpegs) representing the work intended for exhibition.\*
- Number images with a correlating inventory sheet with titles, sizes, and mediums of the work.
- Resume or curriculum vitae that includes name, contact information, short biography, list of past exhibitions, education, notable honors, awards, publications.
- Artist statement describing techniques used in the creation of the work and ideas or concepts communicated through the exhibited work.\*
- \$20 submission fee.
- Submission packets will NOT be returned.

*\*Artists must include a statement of clarification within their artist statement if the works submitted are not the works intended for exhibition. In this case, artists must submit examples of previous works **and** a discussion of the techniques and concepts that will be utilized in the planned exhibition works.*

### Dalton Gallery Exhibit Installation

- The Dalton Gallery has space for 15 to 30 pieces of work, depending on media (paintings, drawings, prints, photography, ceramics, and other sculpture).
- Final installation of work(s) is to be conducted under the supervision of the gallery manager.
- Special needs or requirements for exhibited work must be sent to the gallery manager in the submission packet.
- An inventory including the titles, medium, and size of the artwork to be placed on exhibit, and biographical information about the artist must be sent to the gallery manager no later than 90 days prior to the exhibition date.
- The Arts Council takes a 30% commission from works sold in the Dalton Gallery.
- Prices of work may not be adjusted after the show has been installed.

*For more information about the Dalton Gallery, check [yorkcountyarts.org](http://yorkcountyarts.org) for the Call For Artists each spring, or email Mike Gentry, Gallery Manager, at [mgentry@yorkcountyarts.org](mailto:mgentry@yorkcountyarts.org).*

## **2) PERIMETER GALLERY**

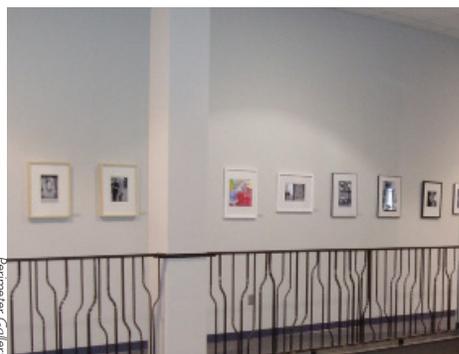
The Perimeter Gallery and the Edmund D. Lewandowski Classroom Gallery are located to the rear of the Center for the Arts. The Perimeter Gallery, a space dedicated to increasing awareness of and exhibiting emerging artists, is located on the landing that overlooks the Edmund D. Lewandowski Classroom Gallery. The Arts Council takes a 15% commission from works sold in the Perimeter Gallery.

*To exhibit in the Perimeter Gallery, email Mike Gentry, Gallery Manager, at [mgentry@yorkcountyarts.org](mailto:mgentry@yorkcountyarts.org).*

## **3) EDMUND D. LEWANDOWSKI CLASSROOM GALLERY**

The Edmund D. Lewandowski Classroom Gallery, is situated on the lower level of the Center for the Arts. This gallery showcases student work, encouraging those who are still in school to develop their creativity and to become invested in the arts.

*To exhibit in the Edmund D. Lewandowski Classroom Gallery, contact Mike Gentry, Gallery Manager, at [mgentry@yorkcountyarts.org](mailto:mgentry@yorkcountyarts.org)*



## TOM S. GETTYS CENTER | 201 EAST MAIN STREET | ROCK HILL, SC 29730

The Tom S. Gettys Center, once a Federal Post Office and Courthouse, has two hallway galleries - the Loading Dock Gallery and the Courtroom Gallery. The Loading Dock Gallery is on the first floor of the Gettys in the space outside the Rock Hill Pottery Center. The Courtroom Gallery is located in the hallway on the second floor, outside the Courtroom.

### 1) LOADING DOCK GALLERY

The gallery is a wide hallway that is accessible by ramp from the loading dock at the rear of the building, or through the main lobby of the building. It is possible to use the Loading Dock itself as a stage for performance art. The Loading Dock Gallery is committed to the exhibition of student work from local schools and universities.

*To exhibit in the Loading Dock Gallery, contact Mike Gentry, Gallery Manager, at [mgentry@yorkcountyarts.org](mailto:mgentry@yorkcountyarts.org)*

### 2) COURTROOM GALLERY

The Courtroom Gallery is located on the second floor of the Tom S. Gettys Center, in the hallway that leads into the Courtroom. This gallery is managed by the Friday Arts Project. A 20% commission is taken from works sold in the Courtroom Gallery.

*For more information about this gallery, email [courtroomgallery@fridayartsproject.org](mailto:courtroomgallery@fridayartsproject.org).*

## ROCK HILL CITY HALL | 155 JOHNSTON STREET | ROCK HILL, SC 29730

Located in downtown Rock Hill, City Hall houses a hallway art gallery in the rotunda that connects the two wings of the building and opens to the Old Town Amphitheater.

### 1) ROTUNDA GALLERY

The City Hall Rotunda Gallery is reserved for local professional and emerging artists. This gallery is located on the second floor of Rock Hill City Hall, overlooking the Civitas statue by Audrey Flack. The Arts Council takes a 15% commission from works sold in the Rotunda Gallery.

*If you are interested in exhibiting in the Rotunda Gallery, email [arts@yorkcountyarts.org](mailto:arts@yorkcountyarts.org).*



Tom S. Gettys Center



Courtroom Gallery



Rotunda Gallery

## STUDIO SPACE

Artist studios are located at the Center for the Arts, 121 E. Main St., and at the Tom S. Gettys Center, 201 E. Main St., Rock Hill, SC. The Arts Council of York County manages the rental of these spaces, and offers the studios at below market value rental rates. Studios vary in size, amenities (sinks, windows, etc.), and cost.

*To be placed on the waiting list, email [rental@yorkcountyarts.org](mailto:rental@yorkcountyarts.org).*

## GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

The Arts Council of York County offers Small Grants quarterly in support of projects of high artistic quality to individual artists, schools, non-profit organizations and units of government. Grant applications are reviewed by a committee of volunteers who distribute funds based on quality, impact, appeal, and adherence to guidelines. Artists may apply for grant funds for professional development, framing a new body of work, creating a new series of work, etc.

*For more information about small grants, visit [yorkcountyarts.org](http://yorkcountyarts.org), or contact Lori Robishaw, Executive Director, at [lrobishaw@yorkcountyarts.org](mailto:lrobishaw@yorkcountyarts.org).*



## TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES

The Arts Council of York County provides space for teaching art classes at the Center for the Arts in the Edmund D. Lewandowski Classroom. Artists are encouraged to use this space for creative purposes. Classes and workshops must receive prior approval by Arts Council staff. The fee to use the space is 15% of the fee charged to students/participants.

For additional information regarding art classes, contact [arts@yorkcountyarts.org](mailto:arts@yorkcountyarts.org).

## ACYC MEMBERSHIP

Tax-deductible memberships are available beginning at a rate of \$35/individual, \$50/family, and \$50/artist. Student memberships are \$10 with a valid student ID.

Arts Council members, at all levels, are entitled to discounts on many ticketed events (advance purchases only), weekly e-newsletters, event mailings, and 10% off purchases of art at the Center for the Arts.

Artist members (\$50) have the opportunity to add their information to the Arts Council's online artist directory. This listing allows artists to build an online profile that features an image of their work, links to a webpage and social networks, contact information, as well as an artist statement. Artist members may also promote their arts-related events through the Arts Council's weekly e-newsletter and online arts calendar.

For more information about memberships, visit [yorkcountyarts.org](http://yorkcountyarts.org), or contact the Arts Council at (803) 328-2787 or [arts@yorkcountyarts.org](mailto:arts@yorkcountyarts.org).



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