

Abington Public Library Art Exhibit Policy

The Abington Public Library provides a display space for art in the Copeland Meeting Room. Display materials must meet the civic, educational, cultural and recreational needs of the community. Non-profit organizations, artists' groups, individuals and schools may display art work. Priority will be given to artists residing in Abington, and artists must understand that the Copeland Meeting Room is used regularly for meetings by people of all ages, including young children.

No materials may be exhibited in the Abington Public Library without being reviewed by the Library Director or designee. Artwork that meets the needs of the community must be suitable for public display in a public library, in a room which is open to adults and children of all ages. Determination of suitability rests with the Library Director. Appeals may be made in writing to the Board of Library Trustees.

- Artists wishing to display their work must contact the Library Director or designee.
- The Copeland Room has three six foot sections, and one twenty foot section of available wall space for display of two-dimensional art. All art must fit within the designated area. Artists are strongly encouraged to view the space before planning an exhibit.
- There are no provisions (such as pedestals) for three-dimensional work. The Copeland Room is used simultaneously for art exhibits and for meetings by groups of all ages; therefore no works may be displayed on tables or the floor.
- The Library has a Walker display hanging system which must be used for hanging the art. It is the responsibility of the artist or group leader to see that all art is a suitably framed and/or wired for hanging. The artist or group leader is responsible for hanging the show, and for take-down.
- No nails, thumbtacks, stickers, tape or adhesive of any kind may be used directly on the interior structure of the Copeland Room, including but not limited to walls, doors, windows, and furniture. Artists causing damage from exhibiting works will reimburse the Abington Public Library/Town of Abington for all repairs, which will be performed by a person selected by the Library Director/Board of Library Trustees.
- Exhibits typically last for one month; Set-up and take-down must occur at a time when the library is open and the Copeland Room is not in use. Scheduling of set-up and take-down must be arranged by the Library Director or designee.
- Artists wishing to hold an event in conjunction with their exhibits must abide by the Abington Public Library Copeland Meeting Room Policy.
- The Trustees and staff of the Abington Public Library, and the Town of Abington are not responsible for the safety and care of works on display. The Abington Public Library/Town of Abington cannot assume liability for lost, stolen or damaged art. The Copeland Room is a community space

and it is not staffed at all times. Artists/groups who mount displays assume financial responsibility for any loss, damage or theft of their art work.