The Rapid City Arts Council (RCAC) is continually planning for the future! We invite proposals from artists and guest curators for exhibitions in any media and in any subject area.

Our exhibit calendar is typically scheduled 1 1/2 to 2 years in advance. Exhibitions are selected by the Exhibits Committee, which is responsible for jurying artist’s work.

Our programming efforts primarily emphasize regional contemporary art, but may include programs that are broad in scope to give visitors a sense of regional art within the larger context.

We balance our exhibition schedule in terms of media, content and practice. All programming efforts are chosen with consideration of our local audience.

The Dahl Arts Center (Dahl) has a variety of gallery spaces available for art exhibitions:

- **Sen. Adelstein + Lynda K. Clark Gallery** is 2,100 sq. ft. and features 14-ft. high walls for larger works of art.
- **Ruth Brennan Gallery** is 1,600 sq. ft. and typically features four to six art shows annually.
- **Inez + Milton Shaver Gallery** is 1,300 sq. ft. and is located in the central part of the Dahl, which often features community group shows and selections from the permanent collection.
- **Lobby Gallery** is a 35 linear ft. prominent lobby wall featuring intimate exhibits, community driven shows and permanent collection display.
- **Emerging Artists Gallery** is a 58.5 linear ft. highly visible gallery space which features the work of local and regional emerging artists.

Artists may apply for review by the Exhibits Committee by contacting Curator, Denise Du Broy. There is no deadline on proposals, and your package will be acknowledged when received. Please be aware that proposals and portfolios are reviewed on a first-come/first served basis and it may take some time for your submission to be scheduled for review.

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact the Curator, Denise Du Broy
605.394.4101 x 206 | denise@thedahl.org

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Guidelines for Submitting Your Portfolio

PLEASE INCLUDE:

Cover Letter - This should include a summary of the interests pursued in your work and a clear statement of your intention. This letter should reflect your background.

Name/Address/Phone number - Keep this updated and inform the RCAC of any changes.

Biography - Basic biographical Information.

Education History - Where, when, with whom. List any information about awards and/or scholarships received.

Exhibition History - List most recent exhibition first. Include the exhibit title, where and when the exhibition took place, what type of exhibit it was (group, solo, juried) and the curator’s name.

Bibliography - A list of reviews, articles, television or radio coverage, etc. indicating the date, author and name of publication. Do not send your only copy.

High Resolution Digital Images - 300 dpi, at least 4" x 6". Maximum 20 images. Should be on a CD/DVD with your name and information.

Label each image
Include title, date, size and media of each work. We suggest that you also include an annotated list sheet for all images submitted. This information can be included on your CD/DVD as a text file. Images of details, installations or demonstrating scale of work are a good idea. Digital images should be sent in the correct orientation.

Never send originals
Please only send copies of your work.

Send the best images possible
Properly exposed, in focus and masked or cropped if necessary.

Identify additional materials
Materials such as audio discs and video discs must be clearly identified. Keep the sequence short—no more than three minutes in length.

Write an artist’s statement
We suggest one page (two to three paragraphs, about 150-500 words maximum) addressing the concerns pursued within the work. These can be your ideas, techniques, process, media and/or subject matter. Basic questions to address include: What is the work about? What is the story behind it?

Include references
Provide the name, full address and contact telephone numbers of all of your references. These should be people whom you have worked with on a similar project, or people who can support your abilities to complete the project.

Send self-addressed stamped envelope
This is standard to ensure that your materials included in the submission are returned to you. Remember to put the same amount of postage on the return envelope.

Mission Statement
The Rapid City Arts Council brings art and people together to fuel creativity and innovation and encourage diversity through dynamic partnerships that strengthen the greater community.

The RCAC carries out its mission through educational programs for young people and adults, exhibitions with a special focus on regional artists, and support to artists and arts organizations in the community. In addition, through a public-private partnership with the City of Rapid City, the Council provides leadership on artistic community and cultural development, and manages the Dahl Arts Center.