



## **Schaefer International Gallery, Exhibit Guidelines**

### **GALLERY MISSION STATEMENT**

The Center's exhibits program seeks to encourage fresh ways of seeing, thinking and engaging with visual arts and to fulfill a need for inspiration and meaning in our lives.

### **GOALS**

We present visual arts from the State of Hawaii and around the world to reflect important issues and ideas of our time. Our primary goal is to support artists in their exploration of new and innovative work. We celebrate the spectrum of human experience by presenting a broad view of cultures, places and people. We believe that the arts are essential to the quality of life and education of our community.

**The exhibits program incorporates visual arts presentations from the following categories:**

- **Community Proposals:** In addition to exhibits initiated by the MACC, the gallery accepts proposals from individuals and groups of artists. We encourage artists to use this opportunity to convey contemporary ideas that demonstrate challenge and experimentation through innovative new work. Proposals are accepted each year between August -November.
- **Thematic Invitational Exhibits:** Curated by the Center's Gallery Director and Exhibits Committee, these exhibitions focus on current issues and ideas pertinent to our island and global community. These opportunities help to encourage and advance the careers of artists living in Hawai'i.
- **Traveling Exhibits:** Featuring a diverse selection of contemporary as well as traditional art forms, these exhibits keep our audiences in touch with artistic achievements and international influences from historical periods to present -day .
- **Retrospectives:** These curated exhibits honor the life work and creative achievement of our most distinguished artists from Hawaii as well as national and international artists.

- **Collaborative Exhibitions:** Organized in collaboration with other museums, cultural organizations or guest curators, these exhibits allow the MACC to showcase unique and exceptional works of art by sharing resources and expertise.
- **Juried:** These exhibit opportunities offer a competitive forum for artists and a chance to create work that will be showcased with an established level of accomplished artists who actively exhibit their work. Jurors represent a cross-section of visual arts professionals from both Hawaii and beyond.

**Schaefer Portrait Challenge:** A signature event of Maui Arts & Cultural Center, this triennial juried exhibit encourages participation from artists state wide, to capture the diversity of our community and chronicle the changing face of Hawaii through portraiture. Two cash prizes are affiliated with this prestigious exhibition which started in 2003.

## **EDUCATION**

Our goal is to make exhibits at the MACC relevant and engaging for our community as we strive to meet the educational needs of a broader audience and instill the importance of visual art and the creative accomplishments of local, regional, and international artists. By offering a dynamic educational program that augments each exhibit in the gallery, MACC welcomes a diverse range of audiences into the learning experience through our visiting artist lectures, demonstrations and tours for students on Maui.

## **SCHAEFER INTERNATIONAL GALLERY**

One of the largest museum quality exhibition spaces in the State of Hawaii. Designed by John M. Hara FAIA, the gallery provides an exceptional 4,000 square ft. space with soaring ceilings of 25 feet, solid wood flooring, climate control, and state of the art lighting. The movable inner wall system enables us to fabricate a uniquely designed environment to support the content of each exhibit display.

**Gallery Hours: Wednesday – Sunday 11:00 am – 5:00 pm also open before Castle Theater shows and during intermission**

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