

ATASCADERO LIBRARY PROSPECTUS
Themed Exhibit: "It's All Happening at the Zoo" June-August 2018

Reflection on the theme: Children and adults alike delight in the magic of zoos. They introduce us to animals we might not otherwise encounter, and they educate us about our fragile and complex environment.

The San Luis Obispo County Library system's goal is to exhibit professional-quality artwork to increase public awareness of the visual arts and enhancing cultural and artistic awareness in the community. Works chosen for exhibits will present a wide variety of art that is appropriate for a public space used by all ages.

The Selection Committee will consider these criteria when determining which entries will be accepted for display:

- Expression of the theme, desire to display a variety of artistic styles, aesthetic appeal and originality;
- Community, historical or regional interest, technical ability, and educational significance

Deadline to submit artwork images via email to atascaderolibraryart@gmail.com: May 10, 2018

- Artists may submit a **maximum of three pieces of two-dimensional artwork** in any media, e.g. ink, watercolor, oil, acrylic, multi-media, photography, collage, or hand-pulled prints.
- All artwork must be original in concept. Compositions taken from published material or other artist's photographs or work will not be considered original.
- Include the title, media type, and dimensions of the proposed works for exhibition, artist's name, address, phone, and email address.
- Emailed images must be in JPEG files less than 2 MB in size, with the recommended longest pixel dimension between 1600 and 2000 pixels. Name digital files with the artist's last name, first initial, and number corresponding to the entry form, e.g. Smith_A_1.jpeg.
- Accepted artwork must be adequately prepared to hang (no saw-tooth hangers) and signed by the artist.
- Other than canvas, all work must be framed. Canvas artworks, if not framed, must be finished on all edges. Artwork with a perimeter larger than 100 inches, including frame, cannot be shown under glass. Plexiglas should be used for large pieces.
- Frames and glass must be clean and undamaged. Artwork must be held securely within the frame. Artwork must also be free of stains, foxing and/or any damage.
- Artist must provide a current biography or artist statement.

Notification of acceptance and non-acceptance: no later than **May 22, 2018**

Delivery of accepted artwork to Atascadero Library (6555 Capistrano Ave) by **May 31, 2018**

Exhibit Opens: **June 1, 2018**; Artists' reception: **June 7, 5:30-7 pm**, at the Atascadero Library.

Pick up artwork at end of show: **August 31, 2018**

The Atascadero Library reserves the right to reject work that is not of reasonable size and weight, is not dry, is deemed unsuitable for the show, or does not meet the specified criteria. Limited space may also apply. Exhibition of art does not constitute endorsement of artists' or organization's viewpoint.

Questions may be directed to atascaderolibraryart@gmail.com.

Refer to **San Luis Obispo County Library Visual Art Exhibits Policy and Exhibitors Agreement at FriendsoftheAtascaderoLibrary.org for further information. Artists with work accepted to be exhibited in the show are required to sign the San Luis Obispo County Library Exhibitor Agreement.**