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MISSOULA COUNTY POLICY ON DISPLAYING ART FROM THE MISSOULA COUNTY ART COLLECTION MANAGED BY THE MISSOULA ART MUSEUM AND THE MISSOULA ART MUSEUM COLLECTION

Purpose

This policy outlines the process by which art from the Missoula County Art Collection managed by the Missoula Art Museum and the Missoula Art Museum's (MAM) collection is displayed in county facilities.

Scope

This policy is applicable to all county departments and other agencies located within county facilities. Departments may apply additional requirements for art displayed in their common areas and private offices as long as the requirements are equal to or more restrictive than these standards.

Administration

Department heads are responsible for the implementation of the policy within their departments and ongoing employee compliance. Participating departments will adhere to loan terms and conditions and sign for the receipt of art. Non-county agencies located within county facilities shall coordinate implementation of and compliance with this policy through the county's chief administrative officer or their designee.

References – MAM's Art in Public Places loan program guidelines

Policy

The Board of County Commissioners supports MAM's efforts to preserve the county's cultural heritage through the development and conservation of collections held at MAM. To provide public access to these collections, art may be loaned for one-year displays in spaces primarily used by the public such as reception areas, lobbies, hallways, and conference rooms, and in private offices with significant public traffic.

A department interested in borrowing art for its public spaces will designate a contact person to initiate the loan request as outlined in MAM's Art in Public Places Loan Program Guidelines. A selection committee of no more than three department employees may meet with the MAM's registrar to review art appropriate to the spaces where they will be displayed. After the art has been selected, MAM personnel will arrange installation for the department.

Art may not be handled, removed or relocated except by MAM staff.