Request for Proposals: HoMA School Nano Gallery

The Honolulu Museum of Art seeks proposals for the Nano Gallery, a unique exhibition space within the Honolulu Museum of Art School. HoMA welcomes innovative and engaging proposals by contemporary artists and artist groups that will enhance the viewer’s experience through conceptual and visual expression. The Nano Gallery, formerly the HoMA School phone booth, is a non-traditional gallery space that measures 38.5’x46’x104.5’. Artists are encouraged to submit proposals that are space specific with an intent to activate the space and inspire patrons while aligning with HoMA’s mission: To create relevant and transformative experiences through the study, preservation, presentation and creation of art. The Nano Gallery is located in the historic HoMA School building formerly known as Linekona. This building serves approximately 40,000 visitors per year through various children and adult programs. HoMA School is a vibrant space that is dedicated to cultivating and supporting Hawai’i’s contemporary arts community.

The HoMA School Nano Gallery Exhibition Program:

• Each exhibition within the Nano Gallery will run for a duration of 6 weeks. The six week period does not reflect time allotted prior to and post exhibition for installation and de-installation.
• Encourages proposals that are site specific that activate the space with an intent to create a transformative experience.
• Encourages conceptually creative proposals that seek to engage and inspire the viewer.

Proposals will be accepted, continuously, throughout the year and reviewed according to the following criteria:

• Ability to activate and transform the space into an engaging experience for the viewer.
• Conceptual or thematic integrity of the proposal relative to other submissions.
• Originality and timeliness.
• Accessibility and inclusivity of a wide audience.
• Feasibility of the proposal within the parameters of the Exhibition Program and gallery space.

Proposals should consist of the following documents:

• Cover Sheet with project title and the name, mailing address, telephone number and email information for the applying artist(s). If applying as a collaborative group, please include the name and contact information for the one liaison who will serve as the primary point of contact for the proposed exhibition.
• Project proposal consisting of a description of the proposed exhibition and concept, installation details, and a list of proposed materials.
• 5-10 images of artwork. Images may consist of either completed works featured in the exhibition proposal or images of previous work that may lend itself to the intended proposal. All images must be in the file format: jpeg, no larger than 800 x 600 ppi. Please indicate whether the images are of previous work or artwork that is intended for submission.

Proposals for the Nano Gallery are accepted for review continuously throughout the year. Please submit all proposals and inquiries to msiu@honolulumuseum.org