

Unity Church of Lawrence

# Unity Art Gallery Program Description

**Mission Statement:** *The mission of the Unity Gallery is to encourage and inspire, honor and celebrate the unique creative spirit in the visual arts.*

The Unity Art Gallery is an extension of Unity Church of Lawrence, a spiritual community where love is shared, bridges are built, and lives are transformed. The primary purpose of the Unity Art Gallery is to enrich the lives of all people in the Lawrence community and surrounding area by exhibiting family appropriate works of art with the goal of creating a harmonious cultural and educational environment within the community. Special consideration is given to works of art produced by local artists.

The Art Gallery is located on the ground floor of Unity Church at 900 Madeline Lane, Lawrence, Kansas. The hours of operation are:

**M-F**                    **10:00am – 4:00pm**

**Sundays**            **9:00am – 12:00pm**

**Or by appointment**

*(Appointments may be made by calling the office @ 841-1447)*

## **Exhibition Selection**

Artists, students and art organizations, from amateur to professional, are invited to exhibit. The gallery will focus primarily on two-dimensional works.

In selecting exhibits, the Gallery Team will take into consideration:

- Quality of artwork
- Overall community interest
- Theme or medium relevance
- Previous exhibits by the same artist or organization
- Special needs, costs or requests associated with proposed exhibits

## **Exhibition Presentation, Installation, and Dismantling**

Two-dimensional artwork must be suitably framed and ready for hanging. Unframed artwork will not be exhibited in the Gallery space without specific permission of the Gallery Team. Three-dimensional artwork may only be considered if it can be hung on the wall. Small works or reproductions may be sold through the Unity Bookstore. Small works must be packaged for individual sale. A consignment fee will be added to the artist's price on all art for sale through the Bookstore or Gallery. Small works will not sell for less than \$5.00 per item.

Artists/lenders must fill out an exhibition label for each major work of art accepted for exhibition. Please mark clearly whether or not the artwork is for sale. Unity Gallery will take 30%; please price your artwork accordingly. Please remember to mark all artwork with your name, telephone number, email, and selling price, or, if the item is not for sale, please mark NFS.

Typical exhibits will run six to eight weeks. The Gallery Team will supervise the set-up and removal of all exhibits. All major works of art must remain on display until the closing of the exhibition. Any costs associated with special installation or display needs must be pre-approved by the Gallery Team and borne by the artist/lender.

Artists/lenders must remove artwork from the Gallery no later than two days after the end of the exhibit unless the artist/lender has made written arrangements with the Gallery Team prior to the exhibit. Storage space is not available, so a fee of \$10.00 per day will be charged for all work left past the second day after the closing date of the exhibition.

### **Sales**

All sales are processed through the Unity Bookstore and handled by Unity Church representatives. Artists/lenders should provide the Gallery Team with an information sheet/artist's statement that includes the artist's contact information. Buyer information will be provided to the artists at the close of the exhibition. Proceeds from sold items will be issued to the artist by check within a month after the closing of the exhibition.

Pricing will be displayed in the gallery on the exhibition label. All major works of art hung in the gallery must remain on display, even if sold, until the exhibit closes. All sales are final.

### **Security/Liability**

Unity Church of Lawrence, Unity Art Gallery, and Unity Bookstore cannot be responsible for reimbursement or replacement of lost, stolen, or damaged items and does not insure exhibits. Unity Art Gallery encourages the artist/lender to obtain a rider on his or her insurance policy for the duration of the exhibit. The artist/lenders will be required to complete and sign a waiver releasing Unity Art Gallery from liability before any works of art are exhibited.