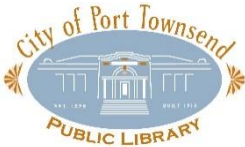


Port Townsend Paper

Call for Paper Art Installations



Jefferson County Historical Society
JEFFERSON MUSEUM OF ART & HISTORY
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Port Townsend, WA 98368
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PORT TOWNSEND PUBLIC LIBRARY
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Contact Email: info@jchsmuseum.com

Call Type: Exhibitions

Eligibility: Residents of counties: Jefferson, Clallam, Kitsap, Mason, Grays Harbor, Pierce, and Thurston

State: Washington

Entry Deadline: 1/29/21

Submission Fee: \$0

Artist Stipend: \$750 each artist (2 commissions)

EXHIBITION DATES

April 1 - May 31, 2021

The Jefferson Museum of Art & History and Port Townsend Public Library invite submissions for *Port Townsend Paper*, to be shown in two separate venues, April 1 to May 31, 2021. Dates for installation may change as both spaces opening are contingent on health guidelines associated with COVID-19. The exhibitions will engage with two artists or artist teams, one per venue, in paper-based installation work that explores connections between past and present, and relationships with our Pacific Northwest environment. All paper to be used in the installation will be brown kraft paper made from recycled content, produced by the Port Townsend Paper Mill since 1927. This paper will be provided to the selected artists. Funding for the installations is generously provided by the City of Port Townsend and Port Townsend Paper Company.

Themes for the installations can include, but are not limited to:

- Industrial history, labor history and/or innovation
- Personal or family history within a small, rural community
- The papermaking process and use of water to make paper
- Natural resource use in the Pacific Northwest (timber, water, fisheries, etc)
- The concept of recycling

- The idea and form of the archive, or how we know what we know about the past
- The simplicity & texture of recycled brown kraft paper
- Narratives of history, art, and the environment, and questions around what and who those spaces include and exclude

With *Port Townsend Paper*, the Jefferson Museum of Art & History and the Port Townsend Library seek to present contemporary, regional artists' work that celebrates nearly 100 years of papermaking in our community. Each venue provides a different space for display and artists will be selected based in part on their work's ability to fit within the spaces provided. In the museum, the work will be installed in the historic women's jail, in 1892 City Hall. In the library, the work will be hung from a light well in the central browsing space. Selected artists will work closely with both museum and library staff to ensure their work is appropriate in size and safe for these public spaces.

The submissions will be juried by Library Staff and the Jefferson Museum of Art & History's Art Advisory Committee, made up of community volunteers, staff, and Trustees.

IMPORTANT DATES

January 29, 2021: Deadline for submission of proposals by 12-Midnight

February 1 – 5, 2021: Artist interviews conducted via Zoom

February 8 – 12, 2021: Notification to artists by email

February 17, 2021: Signed artist contracts due

February 17 – March 31, 2021: Artist process / interviews / install shared on social media, with press

March 15 - 31, 2021: Installation of the work in both buildings

April 1: Members and Public Openings

May 31, 2021: Exhibitions close / deinstall

FEES AND SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Artists should submit a single PDF email to info@jchsmuseum.com with:

- A one-page or less (12 pt font) description of the proposed installation including the theme / concepts, the methods to be used in making the work, the additional materials beyond paper that are proposed for the installation (see restrictions below).
- Conceptual sketches that may help the reviewers better understand the installation concept (Optional)
- Links to artist's Website(s), Facebook and Instagram
- Attached to the email, or as a Dropbox link, up to six (6) images of work samples. Image files should be in JPEG format, maximum 5 MB, with a minimum of 1200 pixels on the longest side.

There is no fee for submission. All artists are invited to join the Jefferson Museum of Art & History as members. Please go to the JCHS webpage at www.ichsmuseum.org for more information about our organization.

ARTWORK REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS

Installations for the museum space must have dimensions equal or less than 10'L x 6'W x 6'H, and for the library space must be no larger than 2.5' x 10' x 20' and have the ability to hang from the ceiling. Library artwork must be lightweight and no heavier than 25lbs per piece if in a series. All physical artwork must be made using exclusively Port Townsend Paper, mark making, and the adhesives or structural needs for the installation. Sculptures requiring pedestals or other exhibit furniture must note this within their application. Artwork with moving parts, requiring mechanical (electric or manual) means of movement, must include precise information around these requirements. Artworks using new-media components must be accompanied by all the necessary AV equipment (monitor, projector, media player, speakers, cables, etc.).

INSTALL/DEINSTALL

All artwork must be delivered, installed, and deinstalled by the artist. Artworks will not be for sale during the run of the exhibition.

Questions? Email info@ichsmuseum.com and allow 2 – 3 days for a response.