

SHOP AT SAAG ARTIST CALL

The Shop at SAAG Feature Artist program offers local artists and artisans a unique opportunity to exhibit and sell their work in a contemporary art gallery. Past feature artists include Nicole Riedmueller, Arianna Richardson, Cindy Baker, Lauren Kurmey, Jessica Colley, and more.

As the feature artist, you will have the opportunity to exhibit a selection of your work in a prominent display in the Shop at SAAG for 12 to 13 weeks. Gallery staff will help you develop a unique design for the shop space to showcase your work. You'll receive a special consignment rate and have the opportunity to work with Gallery staff to develop a public program based on your art practice. You will also be offered a free table at our Summer or Holiday Market. We will highlight your work on the Shop at SAAG's website and online shop and through the Gallery's social media and e-newsletter. The feature artist will also be recognized at the exhibition opening reception that aligns with your show.

We are currently accepting applications for our Shop at SAAG Feature Artist for the following 2024-25 exhibition blocks:

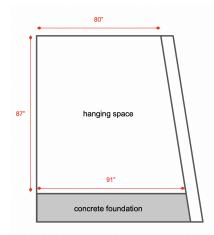
- Oct. 12 2024 Jan. 11 2025
- Jan. 25 2025 Apr. 19 2025
- May 3 2025 Jun. 21 2025

Eligibility

This call invites applications from artists from all backgrounds and in all stages of their career. Artists must be at least 18 to be considered and a resident of Alberta. We encourage you to consider submitting a body of work with a consistent theme or aesthetic. The Shop at SAAG aims to support the work of local artists, so artists from Lethbridge and the surrounding area will be prioritized.

Exhibition Space

The Shop Feature artist will be featured in the Feature Artist Gallery in the shop. Below is a diagram of the space with dimensions in inches:



The Gallery will also provide a 62.25" long x 17.75" wide x 24" tall display table. Additional display materials can be provided by the artist or discussed with the Gallery. Please contact us if you have any questions about what the Shop can accommodate.

Below are some examples of how past Shop Feature Artists have utilized the space:





Call for Artists Opens: August 1, 2024 Submission Deadline: September 14, 2024 Notifications sent by September 21, 2024



Fall 2024 Feature Artist: October 12, 2024 - January 11, 2025

Installation: October 7-11, 2024 Take down: January 13-17, 2025

Winter 2025 Feature Artist: January 25, 2025 - April 19, 2025

Installation: January 20-24, 2025

Take down: April 21-25, 2025

Spring 2025 Feature Artist: May 3, 2025 - June 21, 2025

Installation: April 28 - May 2, 2025

Take down: June 22-27, 2025

Applications

To apply, please complete the <u>application form</u> and provide up to 10 images of the work you wish to feature in the Shop at SAAG. Images can be emailed to kcashmore@saag.ca with the subject line "Feature Artist Call - [Name] Images".

Applications are due no later than 5 p.m. on **September 14, 2024.** We thank all applicants for their interest. We will notify all applicants of the results by **September 21, 2024** at the latest. If you have not heard back from us by that date, please check your spam folder.

The Gallery is committed to continually working towards more equitable systems and practices. We welcome applications from candidates who identify as Indigenous, Black, racialized, LGBTQ2S+, d/Deaf and disabled, and from poor and working-class backgrounds.

If you have any questions, feedback, or require support or accommodations to access this application process, please contact Keelan Cashmore, Visitor Services and Volunteer Coordinator, at 403.327.8770 x 21 or kcashmore@saag.ca.