C33 GALLERY: STUDENT EXHIBITION SPACE

MISSION

The C33 Gallery, a student gallery programmed by Columbia College Chicago's Department of Exhibitions, Performance and Student Spaces (DEPS) is located on the ground floor of the 33 E. Congress building. The gallery is dedicated to providing Columbia students a place to exhibit their work; aligning with the DEPS mission of expanding learning outside of the classroom and showcasing bodies of work within the larger urban community.

EXHIBITION PROGRAM

Each semester the gallery will present rotating 2.5 week-long exhibitions of student work. Exhibitions may feature solo artists, multiple artists or collaborations between academic departments, with the goal of giving students the chance to display work in a professional, public space.

DEPS accepts proposals from students each semester for exhibition slots in the following semester, i.e., proposals submitted during the fall semester will be considered for the following spring semester. All proposals are reviewed either during J-Term or summer break.

Accepted students will be invited to attend a mandatory orientation at the beginning of the semester they will be exhibiting, explaining what is required of them and what DEPS will provide.

Info on all of the exhibitions will be posted online at www.colum.edu/deps and advertised within the college.

COMMON OUESTIONS:

Who can exhibit at C33?

Exhibition opportunities are open to both undergraduate and graduate students. Exhibition proposals must be submitted by a student currently enrolled at Columbia College Chicago, and all artists in the exhibition must also be current students at the time of the exhibition.

What does DEPS provide for exhibiting students?

DEPS provides artists with a professional gallery space, installation tools and hardware, a modest budget of \$75 for reception (non-alcoholic) as well as a \$150 stipend to help cover exhibition costs.

The Gallery space features white walls, LED track lighting, access to AV equipment, and a reusable signage system for wall text. DEPS can provide printed postcards for the show, designed by the exhibiting artists. Gallery staff will document the show and opening reception with a DEPS SLR camera, but any professional installation photography needs to be organized and provided by the exhibiting artists. All exhibitions will be promoted online at

<u>www.colum.edu/deps</u>, <u>www.facebook.com/ColumbiaDEPS</u> and DEPS' online newsletter.

What is required of artists?

All accepted artists will be required to attend a short orientation with DEPS staff at the beginning of the semester that they are showing. Accepted student artists are expected to install and light their own shows. Artists are responsible for any expenses beyond the budget provided by DEPS including but not limited to promotional materials (other than postcards), shipping, postage for announcements, framing, printing of work, professional photography, catering expenses beyond the budget, vinyl wall text, etc. Students are also responsible for de-installing their work in the time allotted and returning the space to the same condition as it was prior to installation.

How long are the exhibitions?

Exhibitions are 2.5 weeks long. Artists are allotted 2 days for installation and space preparation, one day for de-installation.

When is the opening reception?

Receptions are hosted the first Thursday of each exhibition slot from 5-7pm.

Are the shows documented?

DEPS documents the exhibitions for archive purposes and for online promotion. Artists are encouraged to arrange additional documentation if specific photographs are required.

What are the gallery hours? C33 gallery is open Monday – Friday: 9am – 5pm. If Saturday hours are requested, exhibiting artists will need to gallery-sit (open and close the gallery and watch over the space).

How are exhibitions chosen? All submissions are reviewed by DEPS staff. Exhibitions are chosen to feature a diverse representation of Columbia talent with consideration to quality of work, cohesiveness of idea, space availability, and feasibility of exhibition.

How do artists submit proposals?

Students interested in exhibiting at C33 can submit their work online at: https://deps.submittable.com/submit.

If you have further questions please contact Justin Witte, DEPS Exhibition Manager at jwitte@colum.edu or Cassandra Troyan, C33 Exhibition Coordinator at ctroyan@colum.edu