

TIPS ON APPLYING TO TMA CONTEMPORARY

There is no "correct way" to apply to a juried art exhibition. However, we have some tips on what to think about as you select work to submit and how to photograph it to be reviewed by a jury panel.

Remember to submit your work in a manner that demonstrates your work accurately and shows respect for your artwork and you as an artist.

TIPS ON SELECTING ARTWORK TO SUBMIT:

- 1. If you work in different media or styles, we suggest selecting <u>one medium or style</u> for your application. Submit three different artwork examples of this same style or media
- 2. Submit three artworks.

The above points show a pattern to your work and tell the story about what you are investigating as an artist. There are exceptions to this rule of thumb. If your work takes a long time to make and you only completed a few pieces in the last year, then submit those works, and don't worry about submitting three works.

- 3. Submit **your best artwork** from the last year.
- 4. Submit work <u>created in the last year</u>. We will <u>not accept</u> your work if we know it to be older than one year.

TIP ON PHOTOGRAPHING ARTWORK:

- 1. Submit high-resolution photos.
- 2. Take photos of your work on a <u>clean white wall or crop your images</u> to eliminate the background.
- 3. Submit photos that <u>accurately represent your artwork</u>. TMA reserves the right not to show your work if your photos were misleading or inaccurately depict the artwork.
- 4. Take the time to **submit excellent photos** that respect your work and you as an artist.

TMA Contemporary applications open each year around December 1st and run through February.