

SPOKANE COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

POLICY: PUBLIC ART IN DISTRICT FACILITIES

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RELATED POLICIES:

Gifts

Naming and Recognition

Procurement

General Policy:

It is the policy of Spokane County Library District to actively support the inclusion of public art in library facilities for aesthetic enhancement of its public areas and to increase accessibility of art to District residents. To that end, the Board of Trustees may designate up to one percent (1%) of the initial Maximum Allowable Construction Cost for each new building construction project for procurement of public art. This designation shall be made concurrently with the adoption of each construction project budget. The Board of Trustees shall also encourage donation of private funds to be used for this purpose.

An Art Selection Committee shall be formed by the Board of Trustees for each construction project to provide recommendations to the Board of Trustees for all aspects of arts project planning and selection of arts projects.

Methods available to the committee for solicitation of proposals for public art include competition open to any qualified artist, limited competition open to a list of artists invited to submit proposals, or direct selection of a specific artist, all based upon criteria established by the committee for the project and consistent with District policy regarding procurement.

Final selection of public art, whether from public or private funds, shall be subject to approval by the Board of Trustees. Gifts or donations of public art that meet the criteria established by the Art Selection Committee may be given preferential consideration for selection in order to maximize the use of public funds toward the Maximum Allowable Construction Cost.

The Executive Director will establish administrative procedures necessary to implement this policy. Any appeal of an administrative action under this policy will first be made in writing to the Executive Director and then to the Board of Trustees.

The District will make a good faith effort to implement this policy in a fair and consistent manner.