

Call to Artists

About Us

Unity of Houston is a nearly 100-year-old spiritual community that is part of Unity Worldwide Ministries. Our vision is a world powerfully transformed through spiritual awakening. We offer positive and practical teachings to support spiritual evolution and abundant living. The Unity movement emphasizes our Oneness and welcomes all people. Our campus is west of the Galleria near Westheimer and Voss/Hillcroft.

Gallery Space

The Welcome Center on the Unity campus will feature the work of local artists, with a new show opening approximately every two months. The Welcome Center is used throughout the year for classes, meetings and gatherings. It provides approximately 300 square feet of display space.

What We Show

Unity of Houston is seeking art that is uplifting, inspiring, calming, meditative, joyous, representative of spiritual values and/or conveys a meaningful message. Art must hang on a wall and be a maximum of 3.5 feet tall. We will feature both group shows and solo shows.

Selection Process

A volunteer art gallery committee will review digital images and select work based on the criteria in the chart below. An artist's statement and/or resume will help the committee understand the artist's approach and development.

If Your Work is Selected

- Artists must sign the attached waiver. (The Welcome Center is only open when staff is on campus.)
- Delivery of art to and pick up from the gallery is the responsibility of the artist. Some volunteer help may be available if needed.
- Artist will help install the show.
- Unity of Houston may partner with the artists to host an opening reception.

- Unity will produce handouts listing all art on display, artist info and retail price. (Prices will not be posted on the wall.)
- Sales will be handled by the Unity Bookstore.
- Artwork that is sold will remain in place until the conclusion of the show.
- Artists will be paid by check from the Unity Bookstore at the conclusion of the show.
- The Unity of Houston Gallery works on a consignment basis with 30% of sales retained by the Unity Bookstore.

Procedure for Submission

Please submit the following items to sknight@unityhouston.org or hand deliver submissions to the Unity Bookstore, 2929 Unity Drive, Houston, Texas 77057. Note: Do not bring actual artwork. The submission should include:

- Images – Photographs, website link, CD or flash drive of works that are a maximum of 3.5 feet tall each and under 85 inches in cumulative width
- Completed submission form and chart
- Signed waiver
- Optional: resume, bio or artist’s statement

Criteria for Art Selection: (3 = highest)

Criteria	1	2	3
Tone/Content: Must be one or more of the following: uplifting, inspiring, calming, meditative, joyous, representative of spiritual values and/or conveys a meaningful message.			
Originality: Piece reflects one or more of the following: original thought, creative vision, successful use of materials in a unique way.			
Quality of Materials: Materials are good quality, appropriately combined, durable.			
Quality of Execution: Execution reflects effort, artistic skill, careful work, attention to high-quality completion.			
Presentation: Piece is framed or otherwise displayed respectfully if framing would not be appropriate to the piece.			



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Unity Gallery Application Form

Name of artist:

Email address:

Name of company (if applicable):

Mailing address (for check):

Phone Number:

Website/Etsy/Facebook page (include all applicable):

Number of pieces (all pieces must hang on the wall, be no more than 3.5' tall and no more than 85 inches in cumulative width). Attach sheet if needed.

Title of Piece	Dimensions	Medium	Retail Price



Waiver and Hold Harmless Agreement

By signing below the Artist represents and warrants that Artist has read, understands and is voluntarily and knowingly agreeing to each of the following:

If Artist's application is accepted, Artist agrees to abide by all rules, policies, and decisions of Unity of Houston as they relate to the art that is being displayed and/or the terms of Artist's participation in the Unity Gallery.

The images submitted by Artist for review by the jury are representative of the work to be exhibited in the Unity of Houston Gallery if Artist's application is accepted.

All images that are submitted and Art that is subsequently exhibited at the Unity of Houston Gallery shall be Art that was created entirely by the Artist.

Artist hereby authorizes the use of any and all images or depictions of Artist's work submitted through the jury process in connection with promotional efforts related to Unity of Houston in any and all forms of media including without limitation print advertisements, television advertisements and Internet displays. Acceptance to the Unity of Houston Gallery does not guarantee Artist's inclusion in any promotional materials.

Artist and Artist's artwork and personal property are not insured by Unity of Houston. Artist is solely responsible for any injuries Artist incurs in connection with Unity of Houston and for any damage that is done to Artist's Artwork or personal property and will obtain personal insurance, if needed.

In exchange for permission to display original artwork in the Unity Gallery, Artist agrees to indemnify, release, forever discharge and hold harmless, Unity of Houston, and each of their board members, ministers, employees and volunteers from any responsibility, personal liability, claims, loss or damage of any kind, or expenses, including attorney's fees, arising out of or related to Artist's application to and participation in the Unity Gallery. This includes but is not limited to special, direct, indirect incidental or consequential damages for injuries of any kind, including but not limited to loss of life or limbs, loss of personal or business income, physical damages, or any other loss whether or not foreseeable. Neither Artist, nor anyone acting on the Artist's behalf will bring or maintain any suit in any court to assert a claim against Unity of Houston, its board members, ministers, employees, volunteers or other person, for any claim that Artist might have arising out of Artist's application to or participation in the Unity Gallery.

Printed Name of Artist

Signature of Artist

Date