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Art Display and Exhibit Policy

The library's Barbara Kramer Gallery is part of the library's collection space. The library selects and exhibits artwork and other materials in a manner consistent with the library's mission. As with the library's other collections, the library seeks to provide access to creative expressions, in a variety of media and techniques, that have artistic or literary value; match the interests of the library's patrons; fit attractively in the available space; and represent a variety of viewpoints. Special consideration is given to exhibits that have some relationship to Belfast and its surrounding area or to Maine.

The Belfast Free Library does not discriminate based on doctrinal point of view expressed by an exhibit and hereby endorses the American Library Association Library Bill of Rights and the ALA Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights as related to library exhibit spaces and bulletin boards.

Objections to material displayed, where a patron asks that the material be removed or limited in some manner, are treated in the same manner as challenges to books and other materials. Concerns about any exhibit should be addressed in writing to the library's Director for consideration at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Some works exhibited at the library may be available for purchase.