

The Shutter Room Gallery

Call for exhibition proposals for the 2023 exhibition calendar

The Shutter Room Gallery, Rust Ave, Whangārei (back of the old library)

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The Shutter Room Collective would like to invite exhibition proposals from curators, artists and photographers in the field of contemporary and traditional photographic practice.

The deadline for submissions is 5pm Thursday 1st December 2022, proposals will be reviewed by the exhibition committee and notification will be within 2 weeks.

Proposals are welcome from individuals or groups, and we encourage submissions to be bold and creative in their engagement with our kaupapa;

To support and promote photographic practice in our region

About The Shutter Room

Formally established June 2013, The Shutter Room Collective (TSRC) aims to foster photographic practices in Northland. Our objective is to enable established and emerging photographers in Te Tai Tokerau to share knowledge and ideas, discuss their practice and explore points of connection between the work of each artist through; exhibitions, the TSRC's Photographic Studio, social media and collaborative projects.

We invite proposals from established and emerging artists and photographers, including people new to exhibiting, and we can support you to develop your idea. For group exhibitions, we require one key person to be ready to communicate with the TSRC team.

The exhibition space

TSRC Gallery is located behind the Old Library in the busy library precinct. We have a window frontage and the exhibition space is 6.5m x 5m, please see map attached. The wallspace is white and we use standard exhibition hanging and installation methods. Six power sockets are located in the gallery space and can be used for video and media work. TSRC opening hours are Wednesdays to Saturdays or by arrangement.

We encourage exhibitors to have an opening night and consider other events and activities, such as workshops and artist talks, covid permitting.

Exhibitions usually run for the calendar month, and dates are negotiable.

Artists will receive

Proposal development support, if needed.

Curatorial dialogue.

Installation support.

Logistical support for any openings or events.

Promotion via The Shutter Room Collective website and social media channels.

Letter of support as needed for any sponsorship or project funding applications.



Application requirements

Working title for exhibition/project:

Curator/organiser/contact person

Name:

Contact address:

Email:

Phone:

Describe your idea

Please submit a 500-1000 word proposal that clearly describes your exhibition idea and how your project aligns with our kaupapa; ie, *how it engages with photography or the photographic process*.

You can submit up to 5 images or video links to work that illustrates your overall practice and what you might include in your exhibition.

Exhibiting Artist(s)

We require a single contact for group exhibitions. Please include a relevant CV, a bio, up to 300 words for each artist or photographer involved. Please attach images of work, or a link to work online, to give an indication of the type of work you plan on exhibiting.

Indicate the preferred month/dates to hold this exhibition/project

We can accommodate up to nine exhibitions for the March - November 2023 calendar year.

Costs to exhibit:

Thanks to the generous support of a Lotteries Grant we are able to waive our usual exhibition fee of \$200. This is for exhibitions during the 2023 calendar year and we hope this will encourage more people to submit proposals. We require all exhibitors to be current members and to complete an exhibition contract. Annual membership is \$25 and this fee goes directly towards covering operational costs such as rent and insurance. Opening events and any publications such as catalogues are the responsibility of the artist and TSRC team will assist with logistics at events. We encourage artists to seek funding to cover their costs, Creative Northland and the Whangarei Council Creative Communities Scheme may be worth contacting. TSRC is happy to support by means of letters to confirm planned exhibitions and can offer feedback to you in writing your funding proposal.

Key dates:

Proposal deadline; 5pm Thursday 1st December 2022

Notification; Friday 16th December 2022

Exhibition calendar; March - November 2023

Questions?

Please email and we'll get back to you, we encourage you to come visit the gallery and familiarise yourself with the space. If you have an idea, but need support to develop it into an exhibition proposal, send us an email and we can help.

Please send your proposals to: theshutterroom@gmail.com

If you are successful in your proposal you will be asked to meet to plan and finalise details. This will include completing an Exhibition Contract.

Gallery map, floor plan:

