

# **Student Gallery Board Introduction**

## **What is the Gallery Board?**

The Student Gallery Board was initially founded with a desire from students to have more exhibition space. As a result, several student galleries arose thanks to the Office of Student Life. Unfortunately, as two of these spaces are being displaced by new construction, our only exhibition space as of yet is the Carr Haus. For this reason, the Gallery Board has begun to pursue the establishment of new student spaces for exhibition. We use these spaces to create a place of engagement where a dialogue can happen. A dialogue wherein students can learn and grow. Through this process, an appreciation of community is created which is centered on art and the role it plays in the intricacy of bringing human interaction and culture to our everyday lives.

Students have the opportunity to be part of a show, or to create and curate one of their own by working with the Gallery Board. They are encouraged to work independently at their own pace, allowing them to become comfortable in the initial steps of displaying work to the public. The experience results in providing necessary and beneficial skills for life after RISD.

## **Mission Statement**

To establish and promote contemporary RISD community art and design exhibitions through a process of providing students the creative infrastructure and networking resources to show their art, all in an effort to further students' connection with faculty, alumni and the Rhode Island art community in a comfortable and professional atmosphere.

## **The Gallery Board**

The Student Gallery Board is comprised of undergraduates and graduates who have a passion to promote the exhibition of student artwork on campus and beyond. Several shows are planned throughout the year to be viewed by the RISD community. Knowledge of management, curating, recruiting, marketing and advertising skills, as well as meeting with guest curators, visiting galleries and connecting with alum are provided through this program.

## How do I apply to put on a show?

1. Pick up a pending proposal form
2. Submit completed proposal, with a **CD of images**
  - about 5 images please – enough to give us a good idea of your work
  - in jpeg or pdf format.
  - Please make sure your name and contact information is clearly printed on all submission materials.
3. Within 2 weeks a gallery board member will contact you for an interview, where you will be expected to discuss your show idea further. Within a week you will be contacted with a decision.

## What happens once my proposal is accepted?

1. You will be assigned a date for your show and a gallery board member to guide you through the process.
2. You will **advertise** for the show.
3. You will **plan the opening night**.
4. You will **coordinate all artists** in the show and get appropriate paperwork for displaying their art.
5. You will **install** all the work in a cohesive manner.
6. You will **document** your show.
7. You will **uninstall** the show and do all repairs.