

# Shelf Life: Guidelines

Acadiana Center for the Arts (AcA) is pleased to invite contemporary artists to submit work for a Main Space exhibition, *Shelf Life*.

## **About the Exhibition:**

*Shelf Life* is an exhibition that explores the consumption of ephemeral or consumer products, events and happenings in our every day life and the repurposing, reuse, recontextualizing, and reevaluating of these objects, ideas, events and ephemera into works of art. The exhibition will run August 11–November 10, 2018, in Acadiana Center for the Arts' Main Gallery. Located at 101 W. Vermilion Street in Lafayette, Louisiana.

## **Eligibility and General Guidelines:**

We are encouraging artists who work in all forms of 2-D, 3-D, conceptual, sound, and media works to apply. Artists are to be current resident of the state of Louisiana. Artists must be 18 years of age and older. Submission is free. Application is available [here](#).

To apply please e-mail application and up to 5 sample images or link(s):

[submissions@acadianacenterforthearts.org](mailto:submissions@acadianacenterforthearts.org)

Please put "Shelf Life Submission" in the subject of the e-mail

## **Applications are due:**

The open call will run from May 1, 2018 to June 11, 2018 midnight (CST). Notification of acceptance to the exhibition will be posted June 19, 2018 on [AcA's website](#).

Works must be delivered by July 20, 2018 to:

Acadiana Center for the Arts  
101 W. Vermilion Street  
Lafayette, LA 70501

[acadianacenterforthearts.org](http://acadianacenterforthearts.org)

## Artwork, Media, Specifications

- All mediums are eligible
- Artists may submit up to five (5) artworks. If more than 5 artworks are submitted, only the first 5 submissions will be considered.
- Work previously exhibited at AcA will not be accepted.
- All selected works must be ready for installation at the time of delivery or work will be disqualified. Artists must provide necessary hardware for installation.
- In some cases, artists must provide required special AV equipment and/or display stands that are specific to the work.
- For each submitted work, where applicable, applicants must provide a list of objects/elements that are included with the work and any special display descriptions.
- Work made of materials that may be hazardous to your health will not be accepted.
- More complicated installations may require self-installation, with support from the AcA installation team. All installation takes place in mid to late July 2018. Please keep this in mind as you apply.

## Application Instructions:

1. [Download application](#)
2. Provide name, address, e-mail, and phone
3. List submitted work: Title and medium.  
  
*Untitled, Oil on canvas*
4. Attached files **MUST** be labeled with the following format.

First name, Last name and corresponding image number.

Example:

**DoeJane\_1 . jpg**

**DoeJane\_2 . jpg**

etc.

any additional information which may help to explain your submission (optional)

## Files and Attachments

- To qualify, eligible applicants must provide all required information on the application form and follow instructions provided by AcA. Please contain your application and submitted artwork and/or links to one email submission.
- Applicants may attach up to five (5) images/files
- Suggested image type and size: JPEG 72 dpi at approximately 8"x10".
- Suggested, but not required, use easy to access platforms like SoundCloud, Vimeo, or YouTube for audio/video files. (Indicate passwords, if needed).

## Important Dates:

- **May 3, 2018**  
Call for submissions
- **June 11, 2018 (midnight CST)**  
Deadline for submissions  
  
All applicants receive a one-time e-mail notification from AcA that their application was received.
- **June 19, 2018**  
All selected artists will receive notice of selected work(s), loan agreement, participation guides via e-mail
- **July 16-20, 2018**  
Hand delivery of works and uploading of all digital media
- **August 11-November 10, 2018**  
Exhibition running dates.
- **November 14-21, 2018**  
Shipped work returned and hand pick-upsv