



maryland art place

2011 OUT OF ORDER FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

OUT OF ORDER is an annual spring fundraising event at Maryland Art Place (MAP). MAP welcomes all Baltimore's contemporary artists to participate in our annual Do-It-Yourself exhibition and party!

This year, there are a few slight changes in how *Out of Order* will be presented. We hope the information provided below will make it easy for you to join in the fun!

Installation is One Day Only! Tuesday, March 29, 2011, 7am – Midnight

'Buy It Now' A new option for all artists! In addition to your minimum bid price, artists will have the opportunity to list a price to sell immediately rather than waiting until the end of the auction for winning bids. (Also, a great option for our silent auction bidders to ensure they've won your art early in the evening!)

New last year, each artist that wishes to participate in *Out of Order* 2011 will contribute \$10 to MAP. And, each participating artist will receive *one complimentary ticket* to the April 1st event. (a \$40 value!)

PLEASE READ through our general OOO Frequently Asked Questions carefully.

FAQ

Do I need to sign up to participate in *Out of Order*?

No. You do not need to apply or sign up in advance to hang your work in *Out of Order*. Simply arrive at MAP anytime between **7am - midnight, Tuesday March 29 with your \$10 participation payment in hand.** Cash, check, and Visa/Amex/MasterCard are accepted.

What are the installation dates?

Tuesday, March 29, 7am - midnight (that's right, 1 Day Only!) Once you arrive with your one original work, you will check in with the MAP staff and volunteers to fill out the necessary paperwork. Space is first-come, first-served, so be sure to get here early enough to find your best spot!

What kind of artwork is accepted?

Work of any visual media is welcome.

Note: MAP has a limited number of pedestals, so sculptural work requiring a pedestal for display will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Is there a size limit for my artwork?

Yes. All work must be equal to or less than 30" x 30" in scale.

No work with dimensions outside that size will be accepted.

Does that mean my 5' x 10" piece is acceptable?

Not this year. Any work with one or more dimensions (length, width, height) of more than 30 inches will not be allowed in the exhibition.

Do I install my work myself?

Yes, indeed! MAP will provide hardware for installation, as well as basic tools, though supplies are limited. There will be staff and volunteers on hand to assist you in hanging your work, if you need assistance.

***Note:** MAP is not responsible should the work be damaged due to faulty hanging or inappropriate framing or mounting devices.*

If I can't come to hang my own work, can my friend hang the work for me?

Yes, that's what friends are for! Your friend must be willing to take responsibility for the work, must provide your written and signed permission, and be able to complete the loan agreement form with all pertinent information (artist name, title of work, dimensions, minimum bid, value, etc.).

*Please **DO NOT** send/bring your work to MAP before the installation. MAP will not hang work for those who are unavailable to hang it for themselves.*

Can I reserve a pedestal and/or electrical outlet for my work?

No. MAP has a limited number of pedestals, available on a first-come, first-served basis. There are limited electrical outlets, also available until all are used.

My work is a series. Can I display the whole series?

No. To be fair to other participating artists, MAP has to maintain a "one artwork per artist" policy. Consider exhibiting just one work from the series.

Do I have to sell the piece I put in *Out of Order*?

Yes, absolutely! The work you include in *Out of Order* must be for sale. We'll split the proceeds 50/50 between you and MAP!

How should I price my artwork?

For this event, collectible means affordable! If you want your work to sell in the auction, it must be reasonably priced. Most artwork in past *Out of Order* exhibitions has been set at a minimum bid from \$10 to \$800. You will receive 50% of the highest bid placed. To help you determine your price point, here's an example: Imagine that you want to receive \$100 for the artwork you place in the silent auction. You would therefore place the minimum bid at \$200.

It might happen that when bids close, only one person will have bid on your work at the minimum bid level you selected. In that case, you will still only receive 50% of the revenue from the sale. Please keep in mind that this is a fundraising auction, and sales of work benefit you the artist, as well as supporting MAP.

If you are taking advantage of the new 'Buy It Now' option, you want this price to be higher than the minimum bid and closer to the retail value. However, keep it at a price where you feel comfortable selling it while making it a deal for the potential buyer.

In other words, we all want your work to sell! Plenty of volunteers will be on hand when you come to sign in and hang your piece. They'll be happy to assist you in figuring out a minimum bid and/or 'Buy It Now' price for your work.

What happens if my work doesn't sell?

If your work does not sell at the April 1 event, you will **not** be able to take your work home with you that night. Only work purchased through certified sales will be allowed to leave MAP on April 1.

However, MAP is now pleased to offer a wonderful opportunity for you to contribute!

For the second year, when you sign in to hang your art during the March 29th installation, you'll have the chance to indicate your intent to donate your work, if unsold, to **The Art Connection in the Capital Region!** www.artconnection-cr.org. The Art Connection expands community access to art through donated original works of art by matching the artworks to nonprofit community groups who need art for their facilities.

If you choose not to donate your art to the Art Connection, then you must retrieve it no later than Saturday, April 9, 2011. (Yes, you only have 1 week after event night!)

***Note:** Any unsold work not picked up by April 15 will automatically be donated to the Art Connection in the Capital Region.*

I am hanging my work in *Out of Order*. I plan to come to *Out of Order* on April 1 and bring my friend. Does my friend need a ticket?

Yes, your friend will need a ticket. As a participating artist you will receive one free ticket. If your friend wishes to come, s/he must purchase a ticket for \$40, or become a member of MAP at an appropriate level by March 24.

Note: Volunteers will also receive one free ticket. So, encourage your friend to volunteer!

How do I purchase tickets for *Out of Order*? How much are they?

Tickets are \$40 per person. The event will offer an open wine/beer bar and food! Please visit our event site on <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/156249> to purchase tickets online.

If you have any further questions, please call 410.962.8565 or email map.submissions@gmail.com to speak with a staff member.

We look forward to your participation!