

ARTISTS SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

If you are considering submitting your portfolio for review, we recommend you take some time to look through our website and get a sense of the artwork we carry. If you are in the Chicago area we also recommend that you come into the gallery to see if this is a venue in which you would like to exhibit your work.

Other important information to keep in mind while deciding whether to submit your portfolio:

Chicago Art Source is a privately owned, commercial gallery that shows the work of local, national and international artists. We are a uniquely positioned gallery that believes in both the art of business and the integrity of individual artistic practice. We firmly believe in working with artists who will accommodate reasonable requests for commissioned artwork.

Our approach is rather unconventional in that we are dedicated to finding the right artwork for our clients versus displaying artwork and relying on walk-in traffic or personal relationships. This approach has won us numerous awards and our business continues to grow.

Chicago Art Source specializes in works of all media with the exception of video, sound, or performance works.

Procedure for Submitting Portfolio:

- 1. Submit 6–12 jpegs of available work. Please be sure that each image is labeled with your name and the details of the work including: size, media, and the cost to the gallery.
- 2. Include a resume, cover letter, and statement about your art.
- **3.** Electronic portfolios or Web site links can be emailed to review@chicagoartsource.com.
- **4.** The review process takes 6-8 weeks. All information will be reviewed by a jury of Chicago Art Source Art Consultants.
- **5.** If your work is selected for further review we will contact you, and if possible arrange to view the works in person.
- **6.** Work is assessed for its quality, originality, and potential to enhance the collection exhibited by the gallery. Our artists vary widely in terms of their age, education and experience. Some Chicago Art Source artists have MFA degrees, others are self-taught. All represented artists have a level of finish that we consider to be sophisticated and unique. We represent artists who have exhibited in many different venues and received critical acclaim for their work; however many of our artists are showing in a gallery for the very first time.
- **7.** All of our works are on consignment from the artist. We have short-term, renewable, non-exclusive contracts with many of our artists. Though our contracts are not exclusive, we do request right-of-first-refusal from our artists, so that we can offer our customers what we believe to be the artist's best work.

If you have additional questions about the portfolio review, please call **773.248.3100** or email **review@chicagoartsource.com**, and we will be happy to assist you.