

Figure drawing session participant etiquette:

PHONE USAGE

-Please silence your phone before the figure drawing session starts- this helps minimize distractions while the model is posing. If you forget to silence your phone, please silence it at the next break time once the model is clothed.

-Photos of the model while they are posing unclothed are STRICTLY PROHIBITED (as are any photos of the model at all without their permission) To ensure this, please follow the guidelines below:

-Please keep phones away while the model is posing unclothed. If you need to leave your phone out you should get permission from the model beforehand, and the phone should be lying flat

-if you need to leave to take a call, please continue to position your phone in a flat position while leaving the room (this allows the monitor to be sure you aren't taking any pictures.)

-if you need to leave early or are expecting a call, please be sure to sit near the door to minimize disruptions

OTHER GENERAL GUIDELINES:

-If you have feedback about the quality of the model or quality of the session in general, please speak with the monitor (can be reached via email at Raven@mediaartscouncil.org) rather than the model directly, unless the model asks directly.

-please keep in mind that all models have different comfort levels regarding privacy and socializing with session participants. Some models may like to socialize with participants, but let them initiate those conversations/interactions. :) This is especially important to keep in mind during breaks between poses, where models may be focusing on preparing for the next round of poses.

-Compliments about the model's poses and work are appropriate, but please refrain from making comments about the model's body/physical appearance specifically.

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-We allow late participants to join after we start- but you will need a cell phone to notify the monitor if you are late. It is up to the model whether or not they would prefer late participants to wait until break to enter- so if you come late, you run the risk of possibly having to wait longer to draw. In general, it's best to come on time! Not only do you get more time to draw, but it also minimizes disruptions for the model and monitor.

-We allow attendees to bring snacks/drinks (including alcoholic beverages, in moderation) to our open draw sessions.

-our usual format is 20 minute drawing sessions broken up by 5 minute breaks. We usually start with shorter poses and move into longer poses. Our shortest poses are generally 1-2 minutes and we don't go longer than 20 minute poses.

-our location is ADA accessible via the jasper street (back) entrance. The bathroom is ADA accessible as well. Please email monitor Raven@mediaartscouncil.org if you plan to use the jasper street entrance (generally for figure drawing we only allow participants to enter through the front, so the monitor will just need a heads up!)