NUDITY POLICY

The purpose of this Nudity Policy is to protect Oliver Art Center, our members, exhibiting artists and visitors from exposure to works which feature gratuitous nudity without artistic merit, as well as to inform and protect artists from potential legal consequences arising from the public exhibition of such works. This policy will be posted on the Oliver Art Center website as a link to the artist submission from, i.e., Oliver Art Center Nudity Policy. In the event of a dispute over the gratuitous nature of any works submitted for exhibit, the Oliver Art Center Executive Director, in consultation with the Board and Gallery Committee, will have final discretion.

Any artworks accepted by Oliver Art Center for exhibit, but found objectionable by rental customers, may be removed during their event at the additional cost specified in the rental agreement.

The following is the official policy on Oliver Art Center for the submission of nude art. NUDE ART is any type of art work which features the nude body in whole or in part. NUDE ART includes all 2-D and 3-D art forms; video and sound art and live performance, as well as explicit writing.

Guidelines for Artists

NO SEXUAL THEMES. This means no displays of sexual acts of any kind, including masturbation, erections, male ejaculates or excess female lubricants and no other pornographic or explicit sexual posing or displays. For underage models, this rule is applicable even if the model is not nude. In other words, minors are not allowed to be depicted in a sexual way regardless of the context.

NO GRATUITOUS NUDITY We will only consider submissions of 'artistic' nudes and not simple works of naked people. A nude submission should possess artistic merit as judged by Oliver Art Center. Gratuitous nudity is a judgement that applies to artworks in which the only evident purpose of the work is to display a person’s penis, testicles, vagina, breast, nipples, or buttocks.

NO MODELS UNDER THE AGE OF 18. If an artist submits nude art of an underage model, Oliver Art Center will not only reject it, but will report the submission to the appropriate authorities. If you are under the age of 18, you are not permitted to submit nude art of yourself. If this occurs, both parents/guardians and appropriate authorities will be notified.

THE MODEL MUST KNOW OF YOUR INTENT TO PUBLISH. Any model depicted nude in any of your art works must have the full understanding that you intend to expose the work derived from their nude body in a public setting. The model must be at least 18 years of age.

MODEL RELEASES. For your own protection it is highly recommended that you have the nude model sign a release form giving you the explicit permission to publish, share, distribute and to submit the work(s) to Oliver Art Center. We can provide you with a Model Release form this purpose. A generalized model release is also acceptable.

I agree to the policy as stated above.

Artist Name ____________________________ Date __________________

Artist Signature ____________________________