

WAVE Collective Call for New Members!

Who We Are:

WAVE is an artist collective focused on two primary initiatives: a committed critique group and an exhibition series. We focus on opportunities to connect artists in Portland, Oregon with art critics, curators, and the public while enriching dialogue and creating sustainable support for contemporary artists in the Portland community.

WAVE's main goal in the public perspective is to construct culture. We offer artists tangible forms of support including documentation of exhibited work, critical feedback through critique, exhibition opportunities, and the development of artistic networks. By inviting artists into a collective, we offer a platform for the artist as a citizen, cultural producer, and social collaborator.

What We Do:

The foundation of our approach is a critique group meeting biweekly to discuss members' work. The meetings are an inclusive platform for artists to engage deeply with one another's work, grow artistically and professionally, and contribute to a creative and supportive community. These meetings currently take place on Thursday evenings from 7-9 pm. We are currently meeting virtually due to COVID-19, but hope to incorporate in-person meetings for 2022. We will continue to follow the latest safety guidelines for critique meetings in 2022.

Throughout the year we will have small and large group exhibitions of WAVE members' work. These exhibitions will be hosted at a range of venues throughout the city of Portland, offering members and invited artists opportunities to engage the public.

Member Requirements:

WAVE is dedicated to offering an inclusive, critical, and supportive community environment. We will best be able to support people who are:

18 or older

Committed to attending 70% of Thursday night group meetings (7-9 pm, every other week)

Currently creating new, contemporary work (of any medium)

Committed to showing work regularly in critique sessions

Excited to share and receive honest feedback

Community-oriented

How to Submit:

Please submit a single PDF to hello@wavecontemporary.com that includes:

Artist statement

CV - 2-page limit

10 examples of work – photo, video, or text

Answers to the following questions:

What medium do you work in/what methods do you use to create your work? 100-250 words

How do you approach collaboration and foster relationships with your collaborators? 100-250 words

What are you hoping to achieve by joining Wave's Program? 100-250 words

Timeline:

Call Opens: November 8, 2021

Call Closes: December 12, 2021(11:59 pm PST)

Interviews: January 10 - January 16, 2022

Notification of acceptance: January 27, 2022

Meetings Begin: February 3, 2022

Submissions:

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