

ABOUT THE TAHAWUS CENTER WINDOWS GALLERY



Tahawus Center serves Au Sable Forks and the surrounding region with space where the art world and the village community engage with innovative projects. The over 100-year old historic Tahawus building is situated on Rt 9N Main St, near the scenic Ausable River, in Au Sable Forks, Town of Jay, NY.

The two upper floors focus entirely on cultural activities, offering dance and theater in the third floor Cloudsplitter Studio, and art and education enrichment on the second floor Windows Gallery.

Described as *“an exciting new gem of a space”* by the Lake Placid Visitors Bureau when it opened January 2011, Tahawus has created a gallery for dynamic artists' displays. Exhibits have included local photographers Mark Hobson, Todd Bissonette, and Jeri Wright, a collection of Rockwell Kent works, Arto Monaco, Mohawk of the Adirondacks, local and visiting artists, and *“Here Come the Trains.”* The Center is a flexible, entertaining, exciting gathering place for daytime and evening activities. Its perspective reflects the talents and personalities of the people it serves, and engages the community through the portal of art, and new points of view.

Tahawus develops a broader audience for contemporary art through multi-disciplinary visual installations. The Gallery provides a flexible environment to bring the community together to talk about, celebrate, and ponder the creative process. **The Windows Gallery** operates as a rental and co-production enterprise designed to showcase the creative output of Ausable Valley, using relevant themes which tap into many segments of the population. Curated by a panel of arts professionals, installations highlight works by local and visiting artists. Themes, medium, and expression vary. **Exhibits can be 3 days to 3 months.** Generally open afternoons on weekends, and by appointment anytime arranged with the exhibiting artist.

Location: at 14234 Main St on Rte 9N in Au Sable Forks. The sidewalk passing directly in front of Tahawus along the town's main street leads across the bridge to the sister town of Black Brook, making the Center an accessible spot of interest with plenty of foot traffic. The Gallery is prominently visible from the road and there is ample parking nearby and behind the building.

GALLERY SPECIFICATIONS

The 2nd Floor Windows Gallery measures 48'x 25'.

- Three movable wall partitions 4x8, two-sided available to increase exhibition space. Artist supplies frames, mattes
- Gallery hang system available. Typical exhibit accommodates 30+ med/lg works
- Area and track lighting. 4 pedestals, 2 tables for 3-dimensional art.
- Kitchenette and bathroom



Tahawus WINDOWS GALLERY - GUIDELINES AND TERMS

The Windows Gallery is a rental co-production operation with the commitment to serve and engage the community, while opening a window to the best talent and culture of the region.

APPLICATION FOR EXHIBITION SPACE: **Application Fee is \$35.** Queries accepted on an ongoing basis. Review categories/ themes, and complete all paperwork. (Sept to May) Mail to Appleby Foundation, Tahawus Windows Gallery, PO Box 984, Au Sable Forks, NY 12912. Contact: TahawusCenter@gmail.com

WHO IS ELIGIBLE? All visual artists / artisans may apply for *co-production exhibit space* in Tahawus regular programming. Successful applicants are determined by a panel of arts professionals.

TERMS OF USE

RENTAL FEES for Co-Produced EXHIBIT SPACE

1. ____ 2nd Floor Main Gallery - \$250/ up to 4 wks OR ____ \$100 for a weekend Fri-Sun.

2. Payable as follows:

- \$50 deposit to secure space at Tahawus Center, if/ when proposal is accepted, with remainder due by 2-weeks prior to opening
- 25% of purchase price for any works sold in the Windows exhibit to Tahawus Center

Exhibitor will be responsible for

- Delivery, labor of installation, removal of exhibit from space
- Property Insurance for items over \$5000
- Providing staffing of exhibit during hours that the space is open, as arranged
- Co-host (with Tahawus) opening night reception, and/ or ending reception for exhibit

Appleby Foundation will

- Assist with publicity: develop and send press release for new exhibit, web postings, announcements
- Direct, approve plan for, and oversee the artist's installation, handling
- Artist must have in place, minimum Property Insurance up to \$5000 and Liability Insurance, OR indemnify Appleby Foundation/ Tahawus Center

IMPORTANT - Be sure you are familiar with Window Gallery's unique space before designing your exhibit. Have a clear understanding of how your work will look. The walls are pale sage green plaster (*no nails. We have a hanging system.* Consider maximum hanging load, size of the entrance, etc. In addition there are 3 movable walls 4 x 8 (two sided) made of white cloth covered plywood. Off Site Artists: Floor plan and photographs are posted on web site: www.tahawuscenter.org

INCLUDE WITH YOUR PROPOSAL:

- 1-page Resume, plus 1 paragraph Artist's Statement, and 1 paragraph *Statement of Intent*
- 4-6 representative digital images (jpeg only) Images not to exceed 8"x10", "150 dpi
- List/ label material: Artist, Title, Size, Medium, Year, label Top. Numbered image list

Traditional exhibits (*works to be hung on a backdrop surface, wall, sitting on the floor, or both*) Include the following: 3 images of work displayed in this manner.

Installations (*created off-site and re-assembled or installed in the space*) Include the following:

- Statement of intent, detailed typed description of your installation, and
- 2 sketches of the proposed site-specific installation (this does not include the floor plan)
- 3 images of 3 previous works.
- A list of materials you would use to create your installation (what it is made of, and any power tools or machinery used to construct it). All is subject to approval by Appleby Fdn

MAIL MATERIALS: to Tahawus Center, PO Box 984 Au Sable Forks NY 12912

I have read and accept the Guidelines and Terms described above: **SIGNED:** _____

PRINT your name and date: _____

TAHAWUS CENTER - WINDOWS GALLERY
APPLICATION FOR EXHIBIT, FEE \$35



Name: _____

Date: _____

Project Title: _____

Months/ Dates preference: (April-November)

(1st choice) _____ dates: _____

(2nd choice) _____ dates: _____

Preferred Phone/ Contact _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____ website _____

How did you find out about this application/ opportunity?

MY/ OUR WORK IS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR: _____ The Windows Gallery

____ I am an **Individual artist, or group representative**

____ I want to be considered/ included for a **Tahawus curated and themed group show**

INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING. (ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGE AS NEEDED)

- 1) Resume & Bio, *one page*
- 2) Artist Statement, *one paragraph*
- 3) Written 1-pg statement describing your proposed installation. Groups must define common element, i.e. *women painters, landscapes in watercolors*. Describe the technical aspects of your installation, including what equipment you need to supply if any?

PERSONAL/ PROFESSIONAL REFERENCE:

List name, relationship to you, phone number and email of 2 people who can talk about your work.

1. _____

2. _____

**MAIL: Fee or Deposit made out to "Tahawus Center," and
Application and Materials to:**

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