Exercise Course: MFA Exhibition

Prerequisites: Passing the MFA Semester Review, Forming the MFA Committee.

Course Content and Objectives: The MFA Exhibition course is the successful completion of this exhibition including all that goes into preparing press releases, advertising, installing, hosting a reception, and striking the exhibition.

Course Structure:
The MFA Candidate will procure a solo exhibition venue in the region. This process will usually begin in prior semesters if the student wishes to show away from UNT’s campus, which is preferable. This will involve applying to exhibitions using material formed in the Print Studio Application Pack Assignment.

The Major Professor and Graduate Committee will advise and approve of the specific details of the MFA Exhibition. The student should schedule at least one meeting with each committee member at the start of the semester so that the committee is aware of all new works, plans for new works, and a schedule for the exhibition and MFA Review.

The MFA Candidate will provide examples of the framing or other means of presentation for the works in the exhibition for early feedback from the committee. Keep in mind that if you are going to exploit installation it is important to mock-install the work in a similar space prior to the exhibition to work out the kinks. This is at least as important as choosing an appropriate frame.

As you prepare your Exhibition Cards, Press Release, Exhibition Layout, and any posted Artist’s Statement bring them to your major professor and another person with a good sense for detail to proof and get feedback.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND GRADING:

- Securing an appropriate Exhibition Space: 2 letter grades (20% of course grade)
- Advertising the Exhibition: 2 letter grades (20% of course grade)
- Presentation of the Exhibition: Framing, Hanging, and Lighting, the work in the exhibition 6 letter grades (60% of course grade)

CALENDAR:

- Feb 10: Show framing or mode of presentation examples and projected gallery floorplan/layout for review.
- Feb 15: Show Exhibition Card and exhibition Press Release for Review.
- Mar 8: Show any updates to presentation of the works and floorplan/layout adjustments.
- Apr 5: Show any updates to presentation of the works and floorplan/layout adjustments.
- April 24: Host Opening Reception at Norwood Flynn.
- Before Closing: MFA Exit Review at Norwood Flynn.