



**CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS**  
**Chicago: A Cross-Town Exchange**  
**Print Exchange & Exhibition**

**Deadline October 22, 2017**

Spudnik Press, in collaboration with the 2017 Spudnik Press Exhibition Committee, is excited to announce its next print exchange and exhibition, *Chicago: A Cross-Town Exchange*.

Over the years, printmakers have played an active role in the Chicago community as publishers, distributors and organizers. However, as use of automation and digital technology changed the face of commercial printing, a new group of Chicago printers emerged. Independent, artist-run shops, including Landfall Press and Plucked Chicken Press were among the first to open in the 1970s. Today, numerous print shops have sprouted across the city and continue to engage the community through organizing and education. *Chicago: A Cross-Town Exchange* seeks to invite discussion and collaboration among the diverse and exciting body of printers living and working across Chicago.

All interested printmakers must live/work in Chicago. Artists affiliated with a local printmaking studio or organization(s) are strongly encouraged to apply. Current Spudnik Press students are also welcome to apply.

The portfolio culminates in an exhibition at Spudnik Press Cooperative's Annex Gallery, 1821 W. Hubbard St., Suite 302, Chicago, IL 60622. Each participant will receive a portfolio with 20 randomly collated prints from the exchange in a protective case.

**Theme:** Chicago: A Cross-Town Exchange

**Co-Curators:** 2017 Spudnik Press Exhibition Committee and Marcela Andrade Serment, Program Director

**Paper Size:** 11" x 14"

**Medium:** Fine art prints; no digital prints

**Edition Size:** 25 signed and numbered prints

**Registration Fee:** \$20 payable to Spudnik Press upon registration\*

\*Fee covers the cost of the colophon, glassine, and portfolio case.

**Timeline:**

**Deadline to Register:** October 22, 2017

**Deadline to Receive Prints:** December 15, 2017

**Exhibition:** January 19 - February 24, 2018

**Artist Reception:** Friday, January 19, 2018, 6-9 pm

At the time of drop off, portfolio participants will be checked against a list for pre-registration. Editions will be checked for compliance with the portfolio guidelines and participant will need to complete a submission form listing title, media, etc.

Questions? Email [marcela@spudnikpress.org](mailto:marcela@spudnikpress.org).

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**Guidelines:**

PAPER: All artwork must be on 11" x 14" archival paper. Prints can be full bleed, horizontal or vertical.

EDITION SIZE: The edition size is 25 prints, numbered 1/25, 2/25, etc.

LOCATION: All interested printmakers must live/work in Chicago. Artists affiliated with a local printmaking studio or organization(s) are strongly encouraged to apply. Current Spudnik Press students are also welcome to apply.

PAPERWORK: The on-line registration form listed on our website is required for all potential participants. No registration forms will be accepted after October 22, 2017.

COST: There is a \$20 registration fee to participate. Payment can be made via Spudnik Press Cooperative's online store. The registration fee will go toward the costs of production.

DEADLINE: Full edition is due to Spudnik Press by Friday, December 15, 2017. No refunds will be offered for failure to complete or submit an edition.

DROP OFF TIMES: Participants may submit completed editions to Spudnik Press Cooperative during any of the following Open Studios times listed below or by appointment:

- Saturday, December 9, 1 pm - 5 pm
- Monday, December 11, 6 pm - 10 pm
- Thursday, December 14, 6 pm - 10 pm
- Friday, December 15, 1 pm - 5 pm

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EXHIBITION: The Exchange Portfolio will be exhibited at the Spudnik Press Cooperative Annex Gallery for the months of January and February with an opening reception on Friday, January 19 from 6 - 9 pm. Spudnik Press will also retain a portfolio for its collection. Additional portfolios may be offered to local print/paper collections; to Mid America Print Council Conference; or to Southern Graphics Council Conference as well.

FINAL PORTFOLIOS: All Print Exchange Portfolios will consist of 20 randomly collated prints from the collection.

PICK UP TIME: Portfolios will not be shipped. They can be picked up from Spudnik Press Cooperative on Friday, January 19 between 6 pm and 9 pm.