**Acceptance Letter:**

Congratulations!

You have been accepted as a new member of the California Society of Printmakers. We are enthusiastic about your work and we look forward to meeting you in person. I would like to take this opportunity to let you know about the many benefits of CSP membership.

The CSP sponsors events for members, including membership exhibitions, juried exhibitions, printmaking demonstrations by CSP members, and an annual membership meeting. Members receive the CSP’s professional journal, “The California Printmaker,” which focuses on specific themes of interest to the printmaking community. The CSP maintains a website, [www.caprintmakers.org](http://www.caprintmakers.org/). You can check the website for updated news about CSP sponsored events and exhibitions. The site also includes a Members’ Gallery of links. To list your website in the Members’ Gallery, send your website address and an artwork image file to our Membership Chair [membership@caprintmakers.org](mailto:membership@caprintmakers.org). The CSP also has a private News Group to inform members about CSP events and other items of interest to members. You may post messages directly, including ones about your own shows and professional activities.

If you change your email address or contact information, please send us you new information. You may either email it to our Membership Chair at [membership@caprintmakers.org](mailto:info@caprintmakers.org), or mail it to CSP at PO Box 194202, San Francisco, CA 94119-4202. Dues for membership are collected at the start of the calendar year in January.

As a membership organization, the CSP relies on volunteers to provide all the services described above. I hope that you will become an active member of the organization.

Sincerely,

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**Decline Letter:**

Dear Fellow Printmaker,

Thank you for submitting your portfolio for our panel to review. While we are unable to accept you into the California Society of Printmakers at this time, we appreciate your interest and efforts in organizing and submitting your prints, and encourage you to submit work in the future.

The CSP provides a home for artists interested in preserving traditional printmaking techniques as well as for artists interested in exploring new directions in printmaking. It is always satisfying for us to see the enormous variety of work being created by printmakers and the increasing interest in printmaking in general. Portfolio reviews for artist membership are conducted by CSP Board Members and former Board Members, so the jury varies each session. Jurors review and discuss the selection criteria as listed in the artist membership application and there is great care and effort put into keeping our requirements for artist membership consistent. However, because of our jurying process, there can be variation with each review. The board encourages you to apply again, and we look forward to seeing your work in the near future.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

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