

City of Sioux Falls
Rotational Art Display at City Hall
Request for Artwork (RFA)
June 1, 2021

The City of Sioux Falls is committed to promoting the arts by exhibiting the works of talented artists who contribute greatly to the health and vitality of our community, through the Rotational Art Display at City Hall. Featuring public art in City Hall gives local artists an opportunity to display their talents to the community and visitors, and gives visitors an opportunity to learn more about the unique cultural identity of Sioux Falls via the medium of visual art.

The City of Sioux Falls, with support from the Sioux Falls Arts Council and the City's Visual Arts Commission, invites artists to submit proposals for the Rotational Art Display at City Hall. Proposals will be reviewed and selected once per year, and displays will be updated twice per year based on those selections. The City, with support from the Sioux Falls Arts Council, has budgeted a stipend for selected artists, demonstrating their commitment to the value of artwork and artists in our community.

Goals of the Program

- To communicate and promote "One Sioux Falls" core values:
Safety: Protecting quality of life.
Teamwork: Collaborating to serve.
Innovation: Driving growth and development.
Character: Doing the right thing.
Respect: Honoring the dignity of others.
- To showcase the unique talents of artists in our community
- To enrich visitors' experiences by exposing them to diverse artistry
- To beautify and/or enhance the City Hall interior
- To foster engagement and communication, and broaden understanding and perspectives through art

2020/2021 Theme

"One Sioux Falls." Artists are asked to propose works that serve as their visual interpretation or representation of "One Sioux Falls" core values.

Rotation

January – June 2021

July 2021 – December 2021

Artist/Artwork Criteria

All submitted artwork must adhere to the following criteria:

- Artists must be current residents of the City of Sioux Falls
- Artwork may not contain nudity, promote any race, religion, gender or sexual orientation, or promote a person as a candidate for public office
- Artists may submit up to six (6) pieces for consideration, but are only eligible to exhibit once annually
- Artwork must meet specifications for available display methods at City Hall:
 - Work in all media is accepted as long as it does not project more than 3” from the wall surface and can hang from an aluminum wall hanging system
 - Artwork must be in a “finished state,” and properly framed and/or prepared for public presentation
 - Must have suitable wire backing to hang from an aluminum wall hanging system (more information available upon request)
 - Fit within the size and weight parameters for each display location:
 - Location 1. 24”w x 36”h up to 36”w x 42”h, 20 lb weight limit
 - Location 2. 36”w x 24”h up to 60”w x 36”h (artwork must weigh less than 10 lbs per linear foot horizontally)
 - Location 3. Artwork up to 90”w x 72”h (can be composed of 1 or multiple pieces –artwork must weigh less than 10 lbs per linear foot horizontally)
 - Location 4. Artwork up to 90”w x 72”h (can be composed of 1 or multiple pieces – artwork must weigh less than 10 lbs per linear foot horizontally)
This location is ideal for multiple artists, collaborations, and organizations

Artist Rights and Responsibilities

- Artists are responsible for submitting all materials related to this RFA for review. Materials for review, will not be returned
- Selected Artists will receive a stipend in exchange for the display of their works. Stipend amounts will be awarded based on selected location.
 - Location 1 = \$150, Location 2 = \$150, Location 3 = \$225 Location 4 = \$225
- Artists are permitted to list their works for sale and are responsible for providing pricing and contact information for patrons in a format requested by the City. Sales are to be handled directly between the Artist and any patrons. Artist must ensure that any work sold will remain on display for the duration of the exhibit.
- Artists are required to coordinate installation and removal of artwork with the City on specified dates and times

City Rights and Responsibilities

- The City is responsible for distributing the RFA annually to the Sioux Falls Arts Council and other art facilitator groups
- The City and/or the Sioux Falls Arts Council is responsible for handling waivers, agreements, and scheduling
- The City will have the right to advertise the name and work of the artist and photograph the art for advertising and promotional purposes.
- While the City and the Sioux Falls Arts Council will handle the works with utmost care, and while the display space is monitored by security, the City of Sioux Falls will *not* be responsible for lost, stolen or damaged artwork.
- The City to approve final artwork selections based upon recommendations received from the Selection Committee.

Selection Process

A Selection Committee, composed of at least one representative of the City, one representative of the Sioux Falls Arts Council, one member of the Visual Arts Commission, and one professional working in the local arts community will review and select the artwork for the year. Selections will be made based on the demonstrated ability to uplift the goals and themes outlined in the RFA, meet the above criteria, and the ability for the artwork to be properly installed (based on medium, size, weight and mounting requirements). The art selection committee will review submissions and notify selected artists.

Submittal Process

When submitting art for consideration, artists must:

- Read, complete, and sign the City's Rotational Art Application and Agreement
- Provide an artist bio in a doc. or PDF format
- Provide a document notifying of submitted artwork titles and sizes
- Provide digital photos or images of the artwork:
 - Images must be less than 8MB ea, and in pdf, jpg, tiff or psd format
 - Submit up to six (6) images
- All completed materials must be submitted electronically via amford@artssiouxfalls.org, or through the Sioux Falls Arts Council website at www.artssiouxfalls.org

Deadline to apply for the Summer is July 15, 2021.

More information

For more information about the City Hall Rotational Art Program, please visit www.artssiouxfalls.org or for more specific information, contact Kellen Boice of the Sioux Falls Arts Council at kboice@artssiouxfalls.org

Will your artwork be available for sale? (circle one)

Yes - Preferred method of contact for buyers (phone/email)? _____

No

As the artist applying to have my artwork displayed, I agree to the following:

- *I agree to keep the artwork at City Hall until the end of its term.*
- *I understand that the City will have final decision-making authority in regards to what artwork it displays at City Hall.*

_____ Initial

Acknowledgement of Risks, Release of Claims, and Indemnification

As the artist applying to have my artwork displayed, I acknowledge and affirm the following: The artwork to which this application relates is owned only and entirely by me. No one else has any claim of interest or right to all or any part of the artwork or materials used to make it, either now or during the Term it will be displayed. I acknowledge and assume all risks, known and unknown, inherent or otherwise, associated with the display of my artwork, including, but not limited to, potential damage to, theft of, or destruction of the artwork. I acknowledge the risk of loss due to damage or theft. I understand in signing this document that I surrender my right to make a claim or file a lawsuit against the City, its past, present, or future appointed or elected officials, employees, representatives, agents, insurers, affiliated agencies, organizations, successors, and assigns (collectively "the City"), for personal injury or property damage. I hereby release and forever discharge the City of and from any and all claims, demands, damages, actions, causes of action, obligations, liabilities, expenses, costs, attorneys' fees, proceedings, and judgments, both known and unknown, fixed or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, direct or derivative, and of whatsoever kind, nature, and description, under the Constitution of the United States or any state, or any state or federal law or laws or of the common law, concerning, arising from, or related to the display of my artwork. In the event that any claim or demand should be made or litigation instituted against any party or parties arising out of or with respect to the artwork to which this application relates, I must indemnify and hold the City harmless from and against such claims, demand or litigation, including all attorneys' fees and costs incurred with respect to such matters.

By signing my name below, I agree to all statements in this application and acknowledge that the information provided in this application is accurate and complete.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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