



Interurban ARTSCAPE

Call for Outdoor Artwork

Deadline for Entries: June 12, 2016

The City of Shoreline seeks submissions for *Artscape*, an annual outdoor exhibition adjacent to City Hall at “Park at Town Center,” an approximately 1.5 acre site bounded on the west by Aurora Avenue and on the east by Midvale Avenue. Artists, designers, architects, landscapers, and fabricators of all kinds from the Puget Sound region are invited to submit images of existing or proposed work for extended, temporary display of a year or more. **Large-scale work using landscaping supplies**, including up to 10+ cubic yards of compost, live native plants, or similarly sourced materials that activate the flat green lawn of the site is especially welcome. Submissions that activate the site’s remnant architectural features (concrete backstop, historic red brick road) are also strongly encouraged.

Approximate exhibition dates are from July 23, 2016 until July 25, 2017. The City will promote the artwork on its website and newsletters, producing a map to encourage exploration of the area. For the loan of the artwork, selected artists receive \$1,000 following installation. Previously installed artworks from the 2015 – 2016 season are automatically eligible for renewed one-year loans at \$500.

Selection Criteria:

- Creativity and innovation
- Site appropriateness, site specificity
- Durability and maintenance
- Ease of installation

Artist Responsibilities: Selected artists will transport the artwork to the site, install the artwork with assistance from City Staff and/or art installation professionals on the specified date, and remove the artwork as requested. Artists are also encouraged to attend the *Mid-Summer Arts Eve* opening scheduled for the evening of July 30 (5:00 – 7:00p).

Sites and Safety: While artistic quality is important, works will be reviewed for durability, safety and appropriateness to the site. Artwork must be structurally sound and able to withstand an outdoor environment in an unsecured site within an urban core where public intervention often occurs in the form of “yarn-bombing,” etc. Projections must not distract drivers and video projectors should be secured in tamper-resistant, locked, metal boxes.

Installation: Artworks may be placed in an approximately 1.5-acre site to the north of Walgreen’s and between Aurora Ave and Midvale Ave, south of 178th St., and west of the Inter Urban Trail

(Ronald Place), in the same general vicinity as currently displayed artworks. The site is accessible by vehicle and has access to electricity. Also available are eight concrete pads where artwork can be securely fastened. (Proposals for landscape art may also suggest alternative placement.) For sculpture, it is helpful to include a non-rusting steel plate on the bottom with three or four ½” holes for bolts.

Selection Panel: Panel will consist of an artist, art professional and/or collector, Park Board Art Committee members, additional community resident(s) and City staff.

Honorarium: Each artist selected will receive a \$1,000 award following installation to help offset any necessary transportation, installation and/or housing costs, as well as the loan of the work for the display period.

Insurance: The City will insure the artwork up to its stated value or \$5,000, whichever is less, for theft or major vandalism. The artist will be responsible for any repairs needed due to fabrication defects.

Loan Agreement: If accepted, the artist will be required to enter into a loan agreement with the City including a liability waiver clause.

Sales: All work must be for sale. If sales occur, the City requires a 20 % commission which will be used to help sustain the Public Art Program.

Submissions by June 12 via EMAIL to: artentry@shorelinewa.gov. Please indicate “Artscape 2016” in the subject line. Images in JPEG format, Text documents in WORD. Attach all images and documents in one email.

Documents to attach:

- Artist statement: one page max
- Four images of each piece you are proposing. Each image should depict a different view of the sculpture. If surface detail is an important feature, please include a close-up. **Each image must be in JPEG format no larger than 2MB in size**, numbered and labeled with title and artist name. Images must be individual JPEGS, not embedded in a PowerPoint or other presentation program.
- Annotated list of the images must be numbered and in the same order uploaded images. Include artist’s name at top of page. For each image include title, medium, size and price, and any other information pertinent to the decision including installation recommendations.
- Artist resume/bio including current contact info: 2 pages max

Timeline:

- Proposals due to artentry@shorelinewa.gov June 12, 2016
- Notification of acceptance by June 25, 2016
- Installation timeframe : July 24 - 26, 2016
- Opening reception event: *Mid-Summer Arts Eve*, July 30, 2016

Questions:

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Current examples: <http://www.shorelinewa.gov/government/departments/parks-recreation-cultural-services/public-art/sculpture-stroll>

