

## **PUBLIC ART OPPORTUNITY**

In partnership with Western Washington University (WWU), the Washington State Arts Commission (ArtsWA) is seeking artists through a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to apply for a public art project for the WWU campus in Bellingham, Washington. The project's overall budget is approximately \$357,000, inclusive of design and applicable taxes.

The selected artist will receive a proposal fee of \$30,000 that includes travel for up to three meetings with the WWU Campus Art Committee (CAC) and stamped, structural engineering. If the proposal is approved by the CAC, the artist will be contracted for the remaining balance of the artwork budget for fabrication, transportation, and installation.

Interested artists should submit 8 images and descriptions of existing artworks, plus a resume and artist's statement, to ArtsWA's Art in Public Places program. For more information, please contact Mike Sweney, AIPP Program Manager ([mike.sweney@arts.wa.gov](mailto:mike.sweney@arts.wa.gov) or 360-586-2422).

**The deadline for portfolio submission is 5pm (Pacific Time), February 6, 2020.**

### **ELIGIBILITY**

This Call is open to professional visual artists and artist teams whose work would be well-suited for public spaces. Artist teams should be able to demonstrate a history of shared artistic collaboration. Undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in an ongoing course of study in the visual arts are not eligible. The selected artist(s) will:

- Design and propose an artwork for review and approval by ArtsWA, a professional conservator, and the CAC;
- Travel to WWU up to three times during the proposal/design process to meet with the CAC and ArtsWA staff;
- Work within the defined budget and with a committee process;
- Register as a Washington State vendor and adhere to applicable state permitting and licensing requirements, including those relating to contracting and the paying of prevailing wages; and
- Enter into contracts with ArtsWA and fulfill those requirements, including paying applicable taxes.

### **PORTFOLIO MATERIALS**

8 images, jpeg or png only:

- 1200 pixels on longest side; 72 pixels/inch minimum
- File size under 1.5 mb

A PDF, DOC, or RTF that provides information about each image:

- Title, date, dimensions, and budget/costs
- Commissioning agency and location of artwork
- Short descriptive narratives describing the imagery or concepts of the artwork for each provided image (250 character limit per image)

An artist's statement (1,000 character limit, including punctuation and spaces)

A 2-page cv/resume (PDF, DOC, or RTF format)

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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