

Call for Artists / Request for Proposal

Apex, North Carolina

Project: Mural in Apex, North Carolina

Summary: The Town of Apex and The United Arts Council of Raleigh and Wake County is inviting artists to apply to design and install a mural on the exterior of the Apex Public Works building at 105 Upchurch Street, Apex, NC 27502.



Mural Description / Theme: The mural shall be specifically designed for the location and represent the vibrant nature of the community. Up to three images / renderings, the proposed materials to be utilized in creating the mural and a written narrative (no more than one page) of the concept of the design shall be submitted for consideration. The section outlined above is 16 feet tall and 32 feet long. All or most of the mural should fit within the section of the wall outlined in the photo. The mural shall be permanently affixed to the brick surface and use materials suitable to withstand the elements for many years to come. All scaffolding, ladders, lifts, etc. will be the responsibility of the artist as well as supplies necessary to complete the project and clean-up of the site post installation.

Proposals: Artists interested in this project must prepare and submit a single PDF. Submission shall include the following:

- Up to three images / renderings of the proposed mural.
- Written narrative (no more than one page) describing the concept of the design
- List of proposed materials
- Mural dimensions
- Timeline for Installation
- All inclusive cost

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- Minimum of three Examples of your work for comparable murals in public spaces including images, location and date of installation.
- Minimum of two professional references (name, email, phone number) whom we can contact during the selection period.

Email Submission to: PublicArtCommittee@apexnc.org

- The Apex Public Art Committee reserves the right to request additional information from each individual artist.

Budget: The project budget is \$15,000 which includes all materials, workmanship, insurance, design and installation of the final product. Each submission must include the specific cost as part of the proposal.

Eligibility: Open to all professional artists creating original works of art, suitable to the exterior of a brick building. Local, regional and North Carolina based artists are specifically encouraged to apply.

Deadline for Application: Thursday, April 30, 2020, 5:00 PM EST.

Publicity: The artwork and artist may be featured on the Town web site, in local media and at the Halle Cultural Arts center upon completion of the work. In general, the Town of Apex shall own the physical works of art, while copyrights shall be retained by the artist, with reproduction rights allowing the Town of Apex to use the artwork for appropriate promotional and educational purposes.

Timeline:

- Submission Deadline: April 30, 2020
- Interview Period / Public Input (if necessary): May 2020
- Artist Selection: May 2020
- Installation Start: June 2020
- Completion: August 2020

Selection: The artist selection committee may be comprised of members of the Apex Public Art Committee, the United Arts Council of Raleigh and Wake County, Apex Town Council, Apex Town Staff and representatives of the community. The selection process will include review of submitted design concepts, proposed materials, accompanying narrative and may include an interview with the shortlisted artists. Selection criteria includes originality, artistic quality and the best representation of the mural description / theme stated above.

The Town of Apex reserves the right to refuse any or all submissions and to determine that submissions are not adequate for any reason until contractual arrangements are finalized.

Questions: Any questions about this project can be addressed to PublicArtCommittee@apexnc.org and will be responded to promptly.