

City of Sanford

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: Sculpture for the City of Sanford

Flora and Fauna of the Piedmont/Sculpture

Mural Art Initiative

The City of Sanford Public ARTS Sub-Committee (appointed by the Appearance Commission of the City of Sanford) is currently accepting proposals from artists interested in creating commissioned Sculpture in Sanford. This project is one of several public art initiatives aimed at enriching Sanford for visitors and stakeholders.

The Public ART Sub-Committee will review proposals and make a recommendation to the Appearance Commission. The sculpture shall also be approved by the building owner.

Project Goals

The goals of the Mural Sub-Committee are to:

1. Beautify public areas in Sanford which attract heavy pedestrian and vehicular traffic.
2. Visually promote the benefit of the arts throughout the City of Sanford and Lee County.
3. Use art as a landmark to visually connect visitors to public spaces and parking areas.
4. To educate visitors and citizens alike of the rich history of the City of Sanford and Lee County as a whole.

About the Project

- The project budget(\$20,000) includes the artist(s) labor fee, site preparation, lifts, engineers' costs, supplies, travel-related expenses and other associated costs.
- Site preparation if necessary.
- The medium used must be durable and able to withstand harsh outdoor elements for at least ten years.
- The subject matter for said mural is Flora and Fauna of the Piedmont specifically to Sanford and Lee County, only North Carolina artists or artists raised in Lee County will be considered.
- The location for the Flora and Fauna sculpture is 1800 Hawkins Avenue, Sanford, NC (Attachment A) to be installed in the traffic control island as you enter the complex.
- The sculpture will serve as a visual landmark and should be distinctive through the use of design, materials, color, etc. Only original art will be considered.
- The design will be suitable and acceptable for public viewing of all ages.
- The sculpture must be installed no later than May 30, 2024.

Proposals

Artists interested in creating a work of public art should submit the following materials by March 15, 2024, 5:00 pm to be considered:

1. The project budget is \$20,000 for one sculpture or a group of sculpture by an artist or team of collaborative artists
2. A narrative of the concept for the mural, including supplemental information such as medium, and approximate dimensions.
3. Photographs of the proposed sculpture
4. Cost
5. The sculpture must be installed by May 30, 2024
6. Resume, contact information and artist statement
7. Support material such as examples of other works and/or reviews of similar work. Examples should describe size, materials, and location of other public works.

All proposals must be received no later than March 15, 2024 5:00 pm to:

City of Sanford Planning Department
c/o Elizabeth Whitmore
115 Chatham Street
Sanford, NC 27330

Questions

If you have any questions, please contact Liz Whitmore, Public Art Coordinator at 919-718-4657 extension 5393 or liz.whitmore@sanfordnc.net.

Attachment A

Location Summary:

Mural Subject Matter: Flora and Fauna/Sculpture

Location: 1800 Hawkins Avenue traffic control island as you enter the complex

Dimensions: The dimension of the traffic control island is: 36'5" radius



Front traffic circle, raised concrete area is a 36'5" radius. Looking towards Hawkins Avenue



Front traffic circle, raised concrete area is 36'5" radius. Looking into the complex.