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Roswell Arts Fund Announces Call for Proposals and Public Art Selection Panel Members

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Roswell Arts Fund, in partnership with the City of Roswell, Georgia, is currently inviting artists to submit proposals for the design, fabrication, and installation of sculptural works for the Bike Rack Project 2020. This call seeks to showcase the diverse neighborhoods, history, and natural landscapes of the City of Roswell. All sculptures will become a permanent part of Roswell's public art collection.

In its second year, the Bike Rack Project is an initiative of Roswell Arts Fund and the City of Roswell. The goals of the project are to showcase Roswell's Bicycle Friendly Community, enhance safety, provide much needed bike parking, and contribute to the growing public art collection for the City of Roswell.

This invitation is extended to all qualified artists with no entry fee. Selected artists will be awarded a commission of up to \$10,000 for the project dependent on the submitted cost analysis for design, fabrication, transportation, installation and related expenses. However, commissions are expected to occur in the averages of \$4,000-5,000.

Proposals are due Monday April 27, 2020 by 5:00 pm (EST)

On Thursday, April 2 at 1:00 pm (EST) Roswell Arts Fund's Public Art Manager, Elan Buchen, will hold an online work session via Zoom call for artists to discuss and answer questions regarding the project.

The Request for Proposals, and details for the zoom call, can be found on our website <u>https://roswellartsfund.org/calls-and-opportunities/</u>.



Selection Process

Proposals will be reviewed by a Public Art Selection Panel comprised of diverse Roswell stakeholders including business, civic, and community leaders as well as art professionals and expert fabricators.

The Public Art Selection Panel will seek to choose a well-balanced and diverse Artwork/Design with a variety of styles, types, and sizes. Structural and budget feasibility will be critical. Up to ten finalists and up to three alternates will be selected.

Community members who are interested in serving on this or future public art selection panels are invited to submit an application.

Executive Director Ghila Sanders says, "The selection process for public art is critical: we aim to move from spaces to places that reflect the uniqueness of our community, all of it, and that doesn't happen unless we are intentional about inclusivity. We value you; we'd love for you to be involved in the decision-making process and, last but not least, it's lot of fun! Come join us!"

Visit <u>https://roswellartsfund.org/calls-and-opportunities/</u> for more information.

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About Roswell Arts Fund

Roswell Arts Fund, an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is the designated arts agency for the City of Roswell. Roswell Arts Fund was founded to strengthen the scope of the arts in our city and to champion the ability of the arts to excite the imagination, strengthen public places, and encourage conversation. Through each of our initiatives, Roswell Arts Fund aims to IGNITE conversation, INSPIRE residents, visitors, and businesses to create, support, and become engaged and IMPACT the economy by making Roswell a destination for the arts

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