



2018 – 2019 Boerne Art al Fresco Public Art Competition



NATIONAL CALL FOR ARTISTS

Activated: 12/07/2017

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 01/28/2018 by midnight (Central Time)

SUMMARY - CALL FOR ENTRY

Professional Public Artists are invited by the City of Boerne to submit an application to participate in the 2018-2019 Boerne Art al Fresco Public Art Competition. This is a National Call for Entry. Art al Fresco is an outdoor or "fresh air" temporary exhibit of public art. Art al Fresco is an "art on loan" program that incorporates a variety of styles and materials. The City will have the option to purchase one or more sculptures at the end of the exhibition. **There is a \$30,000 budget allocated for the purchase of sculpture from the exhibit.**

The City of Boerne, Texas seeks ten (10) monumental/life-size outdoor sculptures for its 2018-2019 Art al Fresco Public Art Competition. The sculptures will be exhibited outdoors for 12 months in and around the City's downtown Historic District, known as the Hill Country Mile, and the Boerne trails/parks system.

To be eligible to jury, applications will be submitted via publicartist.org (www.publicartist.org) and will not be accepted by postal mail, email or other means of delivery.

*Please review complete Call for Entry before applying
Submissions that do not meet the criteria outlined will not be considered for selection.*

STIPEND FOR PIECES CHOSEN FOR TEMPORARY EXHIBIT

The Artist stipend is \$1,500 per piece exhibited and is intended to help cover the cost of transportation, installation and de-installation of the piece. Half of the stipend will be paid within 15 days of successful installation of the artwork and acceptance by the City; the remaining half will be paid within 15 days of successful removal at the end of the exhibit. The Artist must provide a W-9 for payment.

BUDGET FOR PURCHASE OF PIECE(S) FROM TEMPORARY EXHIBIT

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WHAT IS ART AL FRESCO?

Boerne's first Art al Fresco program launched in 2015 and is an outdoor, or "fresh air" temporary exhibit of public art. Art al Fresco is an "art on loan" program which incorporates a variety of styles and materials. Created by the City of Boerne and juried by the Public Art Competition Committee, Art al Fresco is a walkable adventure for visitors and residents and is located throughout the city's historic downtown-known as Boerne's Hill Country Mile-and along Boerne's Trail & Parks system.

ABOUT THE COMPETITION

In 2014 the Boerne City Council approved a 5-year plan to bring an annual juried public sculpture competition to the City; 2015-2016 was the inaugural year for this competition. The purpose of the Competition is to build the City's public art collection, to encourage cultural tourism, to engage visitors and local citizens in public art and to build a unique sense of place in Boerne. The City will promote Artists and their selected artwork throughout the exhibit via our website, in social media and other media outlets.



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SCULPTURE LOCATIONS

Location of selected sculptures will be determined by the City; all sculptures will be installed on city-owned property. Current locations may be viewed at <http://www.artalfresco.org/locations-map.html> Note: Concrete pad sizes are 5' x 5' and 8' x 8'.

ABOUT BOERNE

Boerne is a vibrant and growing arts community located approximately 20 miles northwest of San Antonio, Texas in the beautiful Texas Hill Country. With a rich heritage and culture, many artists reside here and various Arts organizations represent the diversity of the arts here including Hill Country Council for the Arts, Boerne Performing Arts, Boerne Professional Artists, and Boerne Community Theater.

ARTIST ELIGIBILITY

This is a national call open to experienced professional public artists in the U.S. over the age of 18.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Selected Artwork must be

- monumental or life-size (the scale of the work should be of appropriate size for an outdoor sculpture);
- made of durable materials and be constructed to withstand the rigors of Texas weather for the duration of the show;
- the sculpture imagery should be of suitable content for family-friendly public viewing;
- in its complete form and appear exactly as photographed;
- durable and safe for interaction with the public, especially children; and
- available to be installed 04/04/2018-04/06/2018. Exhibit opens Saturday, 04/07/2018. Works will be exhibited April 2018 – March 2019 (12 months);

APPLICATION / SELECTION PROCESS

To be eligible to jury, applications will be submitted via publicartist.org (www.publicartist.org) and will not be accepted by postal mail, email or other means of delivery.

Applications must be received online no later than **midnight on 01/28/2017 Central Time**. Artists will be selected and notified no later than 02/27/2017.

Up to three (3) pieces may be submitted; each must be submitted in a separate application to be eligible for the jury process. Each submission will require Title, Media, Size (Height, Width, Depth), Year completed, Purchase Price (base value of sculpture on recently sold, comparable items), information on how the piece will be installed and any special considerations (need for concrete pad, special installation equipment, etc.); information for maintenance of the piece during the temporary installation Note: Concrete pad sizes are 5' x 5' and 8' x 8'.

The selection process will be juried by the Boerne Public Art Competition Committee (PACC). The committee of 6 is comprised of a juror (professional sculptor), three citizens and two city staff. Selected Artists will be offered a Loan Agreement to provide the approved artwork for the exhibit.

INSTALLATION / DE-INSTALLATION

The Artist will be responsible for transportation as well as oversight of the installation and de-installation of the artwork. The site installation will be handled by a professional sculptor and the exhibiting sculptor must be present during installation. The City will provide a concrete pad (5' x 5' or 8' x 8'). All sculptures must



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have tabs or other method to attach to a concrete pad or be suitable for placement on the grass. If special installation is required please note specifics in the application.

The artwork will be installed between Wednesday, 04/04/2018 and Friday, 04/06/2018 at a date and time agreed on by the Artist and the Installer. The Artist is responsible for working with the City of Boerne representatives or their designee during all aspects of artwork installation and de-installation.

INSURANCE AND LIABILITY

Once the piece is successfully installed and accepted by the City of Boerne, the piece will be included in the City’s real property insurance coverage until it is de-installed. The amount of the real property coverage will be based on the value of the sculpture in an amount agreed to by the Artist and the City, but will not exceed \$50,000 per piece. The Artist will be responsible to insure any value in excess of \$50,000.

SALES AT CONCLUSION OF COMPETITION

Artists are welcome to offer their exhibited piece for sale at the end of the competition. The City will have right of first refusal on any artwork offered for sale. For any artwork sold, the City will be paid a commission of 20%; these monies will be reinvested into the public art program. For purchases made by the City, the final purchase price will be negotiated with the Special Project Director or his designee.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Boerne Art al Fresco Public Art Competition has the discretion to disqualify Artists whose applications are late or incomplete, and whose applications do not comply with all stated requirements. The Boerne Art al Fresco Public Art Competition reserves the right to decline all submissions.

TIMELINE

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| 12/07/2017 | Call for Entry Activated |
| 01/28/2018 | Submission Deadline |
| 01/29/2018-02/13/2018 | Judging Period |
| 02/20/2018-02/27/2018 | Short List Notification to Artists & Execution of Loan Agreements |
| 04/04/2018-04/06/2018 | Artwork installation |
| 04/06/2018 | Artists’ Reception |
| 04/07/2018-03/15/2019 | Public Exhibition (12 months) |
| 04/07/2018 – 01/28/2019 | Public voting period |
| Feb/Mar 2019 | Make purchase recommendation to City Council |
| Mar/Apr 2019 | Removal of exhibit |

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