REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
CALL TO ARTISTS
Winston-Salem, Forsyth County, NC

CLEMMONS LIBRARY COURTYARD SCULPTURE
Deadline: March 11, 2022, by noon, EST
Total Projected Budget: $55,000

Overview
The Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Public Art Commission is seeking an artist to design and create a permanent sculpture for the newly constructed Clemmons Library in Clemmons, NC. Clemmons is a growing town of approximately 21,000 located in southwestern Forsyth County, outside the city of Winston-Salem.

Artwork Vision
• The proposed artwork will be the centerpiece of the library’s courtyard, an outdoor space that is used for reading, youth programs, and quiet enjoyment. The courtyard is visible from inside the library’s main stacks and its children’s room, which is nature themed.
• Artwork should be scaled appropriately for the space, which is a 24-foot-diameter circle with nearby walls measuring 110’ and 64’ (see site plan and photos).
• Artwork should have a nature theme and be sophisticated and distinctive.
• Artwork may be interactive or create a discoverable activity. The selection committee encourages designs that bring an element of the artwork into the library’s children’s room, such as one that demonstrates action and reaction.

Artist Eligibility
This competition is open to professional artists over 18 years old. Forsyth County's employment practices are guided by federal, state, and local rules and regulations guaranteeing employment opportunities to all persons without regard to and prohibiting discrimination or harassment on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, pregnancy, age, religion, political affiliation or beliefs, national origin, or handicap.

Location
The artwork will be located at the newly constructed Clemmons Library at 6365 James St, Clemmons, NC 27012.

Project Budget
A total budget of $55,000 has been allocated to commission this project, including artist-design fees and associated travel costs, insurance, fabrication, storage, transportation and installation of the artwork on site. Artist will also be responsible for any costs for a sculpture base and lighting.

Public Art Commission Responsibilities
• Assist artist in the coordination of constructing any needed base, and/or lighting.
• Coordinate artwork installation with artist.

Selection Process
The review committee is composed of Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Public Art Commission members and stakeholders associated with the library. The committee will evaluate all qualifications
and recommend up to three finalists to make proposals. Finalist interviews will be virtual. Finalists will not receive payment for this project.

**Evaluation Criteria**
The artist’s statement of interest, professional work history, and submitted work examples will be evaluated by the selection committee. The committee will review applicants on the basis of:
- Artistic excellence.
- Demonstrated ability to execute a project of this scale under the criteria developed and within the budget set forth.

**Tentative Schedule**
- **March 11, 2022:** Deadline for submissions, due at noon (this is not a postmark deadline)
- **March 18, 2022:** Finalists selected
- **April 22, 2022:** Finalist proposals due
- **April 29, 2022:** Final artist selected
- **Fall 2022:** Artwork installation

**Timeline for Selected Artist**
The selected artist will first work with the Public Art Commission to develop a proposal that meets the project’s stated vision and artistic needs. The artist will be required to meet a series of milestones in which the Commission will approve progress of the artwork before proceeding to the next stage. Payments will be made at the conclusion of each milestone.

**Required Submission Materials**
- **Letter of Intent**
  - Clearly describe your interest in this project and how you can contribute to its success.
- **Visual Materials**
  - Past work samples: Artists may submit up to ten (10) images and a brief description of each image, including title and medium. Proposals are welcomed, but not required.
- **Resume or CV**
  - A resume or CV including all relevant education and professional experience, including past commissions and budgets.
  - Mailing address, email address, and phone number.
- **References**
  - Names and contact information of two professional references. Letters of recommendation are not required.

**Submission of Artist Qualifications**
Submissions may be submitted through Dropbox via the following link (preferred submission method): [https://www.dropbox.com/request/ySUx4HNWl9UQnVuGHyPM](https://www.dropbox.com/request/ySUx4HNWl9UQnVuGHyPM)

Or submitted electronically to kellyb@cityofws.org. (Email has a 15mb limit.)

**Submissions must be received by March 11, 2022, noon EST. No exceptions.**
Sculpture Location:
24’ diameter
concrete pad
Looking East from Children’s Room

Looking South from Main Stacks