

CALL FOR ARTISTS APPLICATION: FAYETTE PARK
DEADLINE: June 28, 2021 by 11:00 p.m. (PST)
Submit online via CaFÉ at www.callforentry.org

The City of Mountain View Visual Arts Committee (VAC) seeks to commission an artist, or an artist team, to create the design and commission for public artwork for Fayette Park, a planned neighborhood park located on Fayette Drive between Del Medio Avenue and San Antonio Road. Artists must provide a resumé, examples of recent work, and a final design proposal as part of their application.

All associated costs to visit Fayette Park and/or Mountain View, prepare and submit a proposal, or to attend the VAC meeting shall be borne by the artist. Applicants should only submit applications directly through the callforentry.org website; no other form of application will be accepted.

The City intends to bid the construction of the new park in early 2022 and complete construction in summer 2022. The expectation is for the art to be installed by the artist during the construction phase of the park.

APPLICATION

Applications will be accepted from:

12:00 noon (PST), Tuesday, June 1, 2021
through
11:00 p.m. (PST), Monday, June 28, 2021

APPLY EARLY

Applications will not be accepted after 11:00 p.m., Monday, June 28, 2021, and only the first 120 applications will be accepted (whichever comes first).

ELIGIBILITY

The call is open to all professional artists/artist teams over the age of 18 residing in the state of California.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

All applications must be submitted online via CaFÉ at www.callforentry.org, an online application system for calls for entry. There is no charge for artists to apply or use

CaFÉ. Applications that are mailed, faxed, or hand-delivered will not be considered, as this is an online system.

All applications should include the following:

- **Artist Resumé**
- **Signed Application Checklist**
- **Five (5) to ten (10) images** of current artworks completed within the past three years. All artwork images must be examples demonstrating the artist can create and commission durable artwork adequate for the outdoor elements (i.e., sun, rain) and a public setting. Images of current artwork must have annotated descriptions. Please include art title, date the art was created, dimensions, type of media, and location of the installation (address, city, state).
- **Proposal:** Please include a final proposal. The proposal should include the artwork design, artwork medium type, and estimated time to commission the artwork.
- **Artwork Fee:** Provide the total fee for the artwork, including design, fabrication, transportation, loading and unloading costs, fees associated with mechanical equipment to transfer the art, structural engineering design, calculations, and installation.
- **Building Permit Fee:** Depending on the artwork type, a building permit may be required. The artist is responsible for obtaining the building permit. The permit fee will be paid by the City.
- **Structural Engineering Design:** Depending on the artwork type, a structural engineer may be required to provide plans and calculations for the building permit. The artist is responsible for obtaining services of a licensed structural engineer. Cost for services of a structural engineer shall be borne by the artist and included in the cost of the proposed art.

All applicants should allow adequate time to submit their applications. To get additional assistance using CaFÉ, please contact WESTAF by calling 303-629-1166 or via e-mail at cafe@westaf.org.

SELECTION

The selection process will begin in June 2021 through the VAC. The VAC will review and jury all proposals. Once the VAC selects the finalist(s), the Mountain View City

Council will give the final approval of the budget. Finalist(s) will be contacted regarding next steps, including an agreement with the City of Mountain View (see Sample Agreement). Finalist(s) will also be required to obtain a business license and insurance (requirements are noted in the Sample Agreement). Selected artwork is to be installed in the spring/summer 2022.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Background

The City of Mountain View is a community of approximately 78,000 people located on the San Francisco Peninsula. Over the years, the City has instituted an arts program and built a collection of art using a public/private partnership, community involvement, and some public funds. A major component of this program is a City policy known as the “1 Percent for Art Program,” which requires that 1 percent of all major City capital improvement projects over \$1 million be spent on public art related to the project. This program is administered by the VAC, a seven-person, Council-appointed advisory body that will make recommendations to the City Council, whose decision is final. More information on the public art program is available on the City’s website at www.mountainview.gov/council/bcc/visual.asp.

The VAC encourages artwork that incorporates artistic features onto the park’s infrastructure or amenities. Artists are encouraged to use color, texture or sculptural elements, that can be molded onto existing park features such as a sidewalk. Some examples include artistic benches, sidewalks, bike racks, trees, or shade structures. These functional pieces can be standalone or a part of the park infrastructure. Bike racks should be set in poured cement and not bolted to the ground. Park benches, bike racks, and other functional art should be accessible and must be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Project Budget

The VAC is requesting proposals where the artwork, including all costs associated with production, installation, and permitting, totals up to \$13,000 and up to \$26,000.

The VAC is open to selecting multiple art installations and/or multiple artists. For example, the VAC may select two art installations from one artist and one art installation from another artist.

Project Site

The proposed 0.45-acre park site located on Fayette Drive between Del Medio Avenue and San Antonio Road was dedicated to the City for park use by the developers of the

400 San Antonio Road development project. On April 13, 2021, the City Council approved a Conceptual Plan and selected the park name "Fayette Park."

The Conceptual Plan includes the following:

- A lawn and play area;
- A bosque area, or group of trees, to provide a shaded gathering space;
- A large Specimen Oak tree with a seat wall;
- Picnic tables and benches;
- A "plaza" entry off Fayette Drive.

Several art opportunities exist on the site. Figure 1 shows the approved concept for Fayette Park and suggested areas where art can be located.

Figure 1: Fayette Park Approved Concept – Art Opportunities



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