CALL TO ARTISTS / REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

FOR DOWNTOWN MOSIER, OREGON

BACKGROUND

The City of Mosier has begun an outdoor art gallery through the downtown area. We are interested in adding new pieces each year that add to an eclectic and interesting collection.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Residents of Mosier request proposals from artists to design, construct and deliver works of art to be placed throughout the city of Mosier, Oregon.

ART SPECIFICATIONS

- Interesting & unique
- Durable & <u>safe</u> (these works will be in public spaces and need to stand up to both weather and kids)
- Able to be temporarily secured (eg bolted into concrete)
- Include space for a donor's plaque (some of the funding may be provided by individuals or organizations)
- Ideally uses locally-sourced and environmentally-friendly materials (for example, using old bike parts)
- Ideally interactive (we are interested in art that allows people to add or play eg writing in chalk or add a thought or move around)
- Ideally functional (it's nice when art also works as a bench or bike rack or...?)

BUDGET:

There is no set budget. In this first year, we have a small pool of money raised for beautification during the Mosier 100 Year celebration. Once that has been allocated, a crowd-sourcing model may be used to choose and fund the art. In this model each accepted design will be offered to the public for 'sale' on the City website. This means that each purchaser (or group of purchasers) will determine the item they want to fund.

Terms of Payment

When your design is funded, you will be contacted within 7 days and will receive 50% of the funds at contract signing and the final 50% upon approved delivery. If you would like to donate the piece, you will receive a tax donation and be treated as the buyer with your own name and quote on the plaque.

PLEASE SUBMIT:

- A short description of the final piece, including dimensions
- A sketch (or photo) of what it looks like or will look like when completed
- Price (to include materials, time and delivery. Installation will be covered by the City but please give details if it needs anything special)
- Some form of assurance that you will be able to complete the project as proposed (past work, references from recent customers, etc.)

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

- Creativity (we want these pieces to be worthy of an art-walk where people seek each one out)
- Variety (we are looking for art that expands the scope of our gallery)
- Gorge-alicious (while not required, the committee will appreciate local artists and themes)

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: Midnight June 1st, 2016

We are open to receiving proposals after this date for a later funding phase. But there will be a higher chance of purchase in this first phase.

The City Art Committee will review proposals and award the first project(s) by June 10, 2016.

Note: all art will be owned/maintained/cared for by the City. The art committee will be tasked with working with the City, businesses and land owners to choose appropriate placement.

SUBMIT BY EMAIL OF POST TO:

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