Austin Fire Department Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Services Station #47 Onion Creek

ARTIST INFORMATION MEETING

ART IN PUBLIC PLACES, CULTURAL ARTS DIVISION CITY OF AUSTIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT



JANUARY 17, 2017



Welcome

Thank you to University Hills Library for hosting AIPP here tonight: Steve Raab, Managing Librarian and Katrina Townsend, Senior Administrative and staff

Here tonight: Barbara J Horowitz, AIPP Project Manager and project point person Sue Lambe, AIPP Administrator Craig Russell, Project Manager, Public Works Andre Jordan, Fire Division Chief, Austin Fire Department Gadiel Arellano, Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Services

Facilities Coordinator



About our beginning:

The City of Austin was the first municipality in Texas to make a commitment to include works of art in construction projects when it established the Art in Public Places program in 1985.

The program was brought forward by a citizen initiative, and when it first began, 1% of construction budgets was allocated to commission or purchase artwork for public sites. In October 2002, the ordinance was amended with community support to increase public art allocations to 2% and include streetscapes, a change that allowed greater visibility of art in the urban environment as Austin continued to grow.

Pictured here is a map of the AIPP collection. The dots on the map designate locations of artworks commissioned by the City.



Austin currently cares for over 220 public artworks in over 150 facilities/locations, and the collection continues to grow.

The AIPP program has commissioned 201 artists to date, with 76% of the artworks in the collection coming from Austin area artists.

To see more of our collection, make sure to visit our public art archive page at the addresses shown here.



The Arts Commission is now an eleven member group, to reflect the new City Council structure. Arts Commissioners are each appointed by a council member or the mayor.

The AIPP Panel is a subset of the Arts Commission. The AIPP Panel is made up of seven members who must be, by ordinance, visual arts professionals. These volunteers are appointed through a nomination and interview process to make sure that the panel is made up of educated and experienced visual arts/design professionals, who can knowledgeably review the work of artists working in the public realm and reflects, to the extent possible, the demographic diversity of Austin. Austin Fire Department Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Services Station #47 Onion Creek

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

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A little bit about the AFD/EMS departments: AFD

- serves a population of more than 840,000 within a 308-square-mile area
- 1129 authorized sworn firefighter positions and 94 civilian staff members
- responds from 46 fire stations to more than 85,000 calls a year; approximately 80 percent of those are medical in nature

EMS

- serves over 1,100 square miles, including all of Travis County and parts of Williamson and Hays Counties; 18 cities are included in this service area, including the City of Austin
- in 2015, responded to over 120,000 calls from 37 stations within this service area

Both departments provide a multitude of services ranging from:

- fire, medical and safety operations and support services
- aircraft firefighting and rescue
- emergency communications
- emergency prevention, preparedness and rescue
- arson investigations

- special event services
- professional standards
- maintenance shops
- community outreach
- educational services



To meet the needs of Austin's rapidly growing population, the City of Austin will open a combined Fire and EMS Station #47, located in the Onion Creek neighborhood in District 5, 10 miles south of downtown Austin, at the intersection of Old San Antonio Road and FM 1626.

It will be adjacent to multi-family developments and Akins High School—one of Austin's newest high schools.

Facility

- 9,626 square foot, 31 foot tall, one story, three bay station
- Ability to sleep up to 16 personnel and house emergency vehicles and equipment
- Goal of meeting minimum LEED Silver rating, incorporating features such as at least 20% regionally sourced building materials, rain water collection system and 100% green power
- Expected to accommodate public meetings and school tours



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The artwork goals you see here were developed with project stakeholders and refined by the AIPP Panel in conversation with staff from both EMS and AFD who attended the November AIPP Panel meeting. These are the guideposts for the entire project, from selection through design and fabrication.

The conversation at the November panel also determined the AIPP Panel's decision to focus on the parking lot enclosure as the opportunity for this public art project.

Artwork Opportunity

This public art opportunity is to create an artwork that addresses the parking lot enclosure which, when facing the front of the station, is to the left of the building.

The selected artist, or artist team, will work with City staff, the project design team and project stakeholders, and engage the local community, to develop the design of the artwork.



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Artwork Opportunity

The materials of the new station will be a combination of stone, metals, glass and wood.



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Artwork Opportunity

The fence will be one of the last elements to be built.

The artwork can replace existing elements of the fence or be added to the existing structure.

The landscape design is not completed yet – the artwork will be visible to people driving by.

The landscape architect for this project is Aan Garrett-Coleman of Coleman & Associates of Austin.



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The fence is planned to be steel, either galvanized or painted, but your artwork will influence the final design of the enclosure, or may replace the enclosure altogether. The fence is planned to be approximately 6 to 8 feet tall.

Project Budget

The total award for the artist contract is \$90,000 inclusive of design, fabrication and installation, and including engineering and permitting fees, travel and shipping expenses, insurance and other project-related costs.

Funding Source: Proposition 16, 2012 Bond Program, Public Safety Facility Improvements.



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The AIPP funding for this project is generated from 2% of the sponsor project budget, funded through Proposition 16 of the 2012 Bond Program for Public Safety Facility Improvements.

The total award for the artist contract is \$90,000 inclusive of all design, fabrication and installation, and including engineering and permitting fees, travel and shipping expenses, insurance and other project-related costs.

Artist Eligibility

A Request for Qualifications will be solicited from professional visual artists, or artist teams, who live in the Austin metropolitan area. This includes Travis, Williamson, Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Burnet and Blanco counties.

Artists who currently have an active contract with the Art in Public Places program at the time of application or who have three or more permanent works in the AIPP Collection are ineligible to apply.

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A professional visual artist is defined as "A practitioner in the visual arts with an original self-conceptualized body of work, generally recognized by critics and peers as a professional possessing serious intent and ability."

Full-time, permanent City of Austin employees, including employees of the Economic Development Department, Austin Fire Department and Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Services, are ineligible to apply. Employees of project consultants and subconsultants are also ineligible to apply.

Artist teams are considered as separate entities; their projects do not count as projects by the individual artists.

Selection Process

- 1. Three-member Selection Panel, including at least one visual artist. Project Advisors will provide expertise.
- 2. Selection Panel will review applications, interview up to three finalists, and recommend an artist to be commissioned, and an alternate.
- 3. Art in Public Places Panel and Arts Commission must approve the selection process recommendation
- 4. City Council must authorize negotiation of the contract.



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City Council must authorize negotiation of the contract. The approved artist(s) will enter into separate design and commission contracts to coordinate with the City and project team to develop a final design, which is subject to approval by the AIPP Panel and the Austin Arts Commission prior to fabrication and installation.

Selection Panelists are well-oriented by AIPP staff and project advisors about the parameters of the project. Each is unique – with specific goals, cultural requirements, schedules, budgets, etc. and it is critically important to select an artist who is a good match for the project. The Selection Panelists and Advisors work together to review qualifications or proposals, with a goal to reach consensus. If not, the Selection Panelists each have one vote and are asked to consider the concerns of the project advisors.



The selection of an artist, or artist team, will be based on whose qualifications best meet the requirements contained in this Request for Qualifications.

In addition to the standard AIPP project selection criteria found on the City of Austin's Art in Public Places website under Guidelines & Policies, <u>www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/aipp_selection_criteria.pdf</u>, the Selection Panel will review and consider the following evaluation criteria as stated in the slide.



And now how to apply:

All applications must be submitted online through PublicArtist.org. Publicartist.org is completely free to you, you are just required to create a free online profile in order to apply.

Follow the three steps as shown in the slide.

If you have any technical issues with your application and the online system, please contact publicartist.org directly. They are based out of San Antonio, easy to get a hold of and are much better equipped to answer your technical questions than I am.



You can download the RFQ, as well as Artist Information Meeting presentations and Q&A, from the AIPP website: austincreates.com



Find all open AIPP calls on PublicArtist.org/AustinAIPP



Sign up for a free account.

publicartist.org	Applying to calls is ALWAYS FREE!
Austin Fire Department/Emergency Medical Services Station #47 Onion Creek	
You will submit this application online using PublicArtist.org.	
Budget: \$90,000 Activated: 11/29/2016 Deadline: 02/16/2017 5:00 PM Central Time	Click to Apply
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Additional Resources www.austincreates.com AFD/EMS Station #47 Onion Creek RFQ (PDF)	Download RFQ
Contact Information	
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You can download the RFQ from the PublicArtist.org site; all applications are made through this site.



The application includes:

- Letter of Interest—briefly describe why you are interested and what makes you a good match for this project; you may include how you might approach the project, although this is not required
- Up to 10 images of completed relevant artwork with the required descriptions
- Resume (maximum three pages/600 words)
- Three professional references (names and contact information)

For Artist TEAMS:

- Artist teams must have each team member's work represented in the 10 images
- In the Letter of Interest, please include each team member's name

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To apply to this call, we are requiring a letter of interest, 10 images, resume and 3 professional references. Keep in mind that although you can briefly touch upon how you might approach this project in your letter, we're not looking for a full proposal at this stage.

If you are considering applying as an artist team, please include the name of your team members in your letter of interest and make sure each of your team members work is represented in the 10 images.

Please keep PROJECT GOALS in mind as you write your letter of interest!

Project Schedule (subject to change)

November 29, 2016 Request for Qualifications (RFQ) released

January 17, 2017 Second Artist Information Meeting

February 16, 2017 Deadline for RFQ submission

February 18 – March 24, 2017 Selection Panel meetings and Artist Interviews April 2017 Approval of Selection Process Recommendation by AIPP Panel and Arts Commission

May 2017 Request for Council Approval

June/July 2017 Artist(s) under contract and Kick-Off meeting

July/August/September 2017 Community engagement Conceptual design development October 2017 Mid Design review by AIPP Panel

December 2017 Final Design review by AIPP Panel and Arts Commission

March 2018 CIP construction complete (estimated)

TBD Artwork Installation

All schedules are subject to change.

AIPP Project Managers continually update schedules as new information is received. The next revised schedule will reflect a six- to eight-week push-out in CIP construction begin and end dates.

Questions?

Barbara J Horowitz Art in Public Places Project Manager (512) 974-9312 <u>barbara.Horowitz@austintexas.gov</u>

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: www.austincreates.com

Thank you.

More Open Calls to Artists



ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

Budget: \$13,750

Apply:

Deadline to apply: 02/16/2017, 11:59 PM

PublicArtist.org/AustinAIPP

City of Austin's Artist-in-Residence program

Pair an artist with a City department to infuse creative thinking and cultural capital into City processes, operations, and community involvement.

The Artist-in-Residence program embeds an artist for a set period of time to help resolve problems, provide innovative or new process improvements, and/or engage residents around community issues in creative ways.

For the first round, the City of Austin seeks an artist to help advance public understanding of the **Watershed Protection Department** through creative inquiry.

We are thrilled to announces the launch of the City of Austin's first Artist-in-Residence program. Chosen from a competitive field of staff-generated proposals in the City's Idea Accelerator initiative, the nine-month pilot program will embed an artist in city government to help resolve problems, provide innovative or new process improvements, and engage residents around community issues in creative ways.

The selected Artist-In-Residence will be asked to develop creative approaches to address issues identified by the Watershed Protection Department, which is the first to participate in this pilot program. The department provides a range of community resource and education programs to encourage informed decision-making about flood safety, erosion control and water quality issues.

It is hoped that the selected Artist-In-Residence will:

- explore ways for ideas to be more fully exchanged between the community and the City department;
- foster engagement by community members and the City department in innovative or expanded ways; and
- find a vehicle for creative expression that adds depth to the artist's social practice and portfolio.

The final project outcome may result in a discrete work of art, enhanced community collaborations, or may take any number of shapes, provided the artist and host department are in agreement.

The program is scheduled to run from March – November 2017. The selected artist will be provided with a budget of \$8,750 for time spent working on the residency, and a maximum of \$5,000 for residency-related expenses.

An artist information meeting (attendance optional) will be held on **Thursday, January 19, 2017 from 5:30 to 6:30 pm at the City Hall Boards and Commissions Room at 301 W. 2nd Street** during the open application period to explain the parameters of the project and outline the application procedures. The deadline to apply is **Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 11:59 p.m.**

More Open Calls to Artists



Mid-career and emerging professional visual artists who have resided in the Austin metro area for a minimum of one (1) year, and who have a strong interest in gaining expertise in the public art process are encouraged to apply. Demonstration of some prior work in the public realm is required.

Artist must be at least 18 years old.

Artists working in all media are eligible. This opportunity is open only once to any given artist - artists who receive a LaunchPAD Artist contract will be removed from the pool of eligible LaunchPAD Artists.

Selection Criteria

Selection will be made on the merit of the application and the potential for compatible artistic alliance with the commissioned public artist. The selected LaunchPAD Artist will be put under contract with the City of Austin.

The selection panel will consider the following evaluation criteria in their review of the applications:

- -- artistic merit and expressed interest in pursuing a public art career;
- -- expressed interest in working with a commissioned artist;
- -- potential to successfully collaborate as an Allied Artist for a public art project; and

-- demonstrated experience working on at least one public art project, or an art project set in the public realm, which may be an artwork that evolved through an idea exchange with others; or is/was site-specific and/or integrated into a site; or is/was focused on social practice in response to current events or cultural stimulus; or is/was set in a location that seeks response from viewers who may not have a particular interest in art.

Williamson, Travis, Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Burnet and Blanco counties



The intent of the temporary public art program, TEMPO, is to cultivate curiosity, spark imagination, engage the community in a meaningful dialogue about public art, sponsor work by local artists, cultivate tourism and encourage exploration of the City of Austin.

The City of Austin's Art in Public Places (AIPP) program of the Cultural Arts Division, Economic Development Department, seeks proposals from professional visual artists or artist teams to design, fabricate, install and de-install short-term or time-based exterior artworks in City-owned sites within Parks and Recreation Department land and facilities and Austin Public Library Department land and facilities.

New this year, the TEMPO 2017 program will culminate in a temporary public art festival, which will be a registered group exhibition during East Austin Studio Tour in November. The TEMPO festival will be located in an East Austin parkland (to be determined).

The intent for the temporary public art program is to cultivate curiosity, spark imagination, engage the community in a meaningful dialogue about public art, foster work by local artists and cultivate exploration of the City of Austin. Artists are encouraged to create artworks that reflect the district in which they select to exhibit and design artworks that can be easily installed and de-installed.



We want to hear from you! Please take our public art survey.

