Wayne State College - Center for Applied Technology Public Art Project



ELIGIBILITY

This Request for Qualifications (RFQ) competition is open to all professional artists or artist teams from throughout the United States. Artists from diverse backgrounds and Nebraska artists are encouraged to apply.

RFQ SUBMISSION DEADLINE

August 28, 2017

BUDGET \$30,000

ABOUT THE WAYNE STATE COLLEGE CENTER FOR APPLIED TECHNOLOGY

Wayne State College's School of Business and Technology has a strong reputation of graduating well prepared students who serve as industrial technology educators and leaders. The Center for Applied Technology will continue to attract first-rate students and faculty and increase the number of industrial technology teachers, diversified manufacturing administrators, construction and safety managers, drafters and computer programmers.

The Center for Applied Technology will also provide northeast Nebraska with a facility to support management training for industry, encourage ongoing employee development, foster small business entrepreneurs interested in manufacturing, engage in applied research with industry and serve as a career academy for high schoools in northeast Nebraska. It is the intent of Wayne State College to respond to identified and continuing demand for management positions in industry and K-12 teachers in industrial education. Wayne State College will enhance and modernize program offerings and facilities in these areas to address the acute shortages of personnel in industry and education in Nebraska. Wayne State College is the sole four-year program providering certified teachers in the area of industrial technology in the State of Nebraska and as such sees firsthand the exceptional demand from both education and industry to provide qualified individuals to be placed throughout the state. Majors in Industrial Technology include: Construction Management, Drafting, Planning and Design, Safety Management, Field Endorsement in Industrial Technology Education 6-12 and Supplemental Endorsement to Teach Skilled and Technical Science Education 9-12.

ARTWORK SITE/TYPE OF ART SOUGHT/ENVIRONMENT

The committee is seeking a large interior mural, sculpture, installation public art project. The proposed site of the commissioned artwork is on the highly visible first floor atrium wall, approximately 6 feet x 45 feet. The committee is seeking artists who can design, in an engaging manner, innovative, thought-provoking projects that relate to the proposed space.



SCHEDULE

The Selection Committee reserves the right to change or extend timeline without notice.

August 28, 2017 September 15, 2017 September 20, 2017 November 2, 2017 January 10, 2018 Fall 2018 RFQ application deadline Selection committee review Proposals requested from finalists Finalist proposal presentations Project artist public announcement Artwork Installation

SELECTION PROCESS

Selections will be made solely by the WSC Center for Applied Technology 1% for Art committee, composed of staff, architects and other stakeholders, in consultation with the Nebraska Arts Council. The committee will review submissions from this RFQ and choose three short-listed artists to present proposals. Finalists will receive proposal and travel stipends.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Online Application Process:

The application review will be conducted using SlideRoom, an online review system. All applicants will register and submit their application materials on the SlideRoom website using the Nebraska Arts Council's portal. SlideRoom is web-based, so all applicants need is an Internet connection and a modern web browser. There is nothing to download or install. Applicants with prepared digital files can quickly upload their submission within minutes.

Applicants must submit their portfolios online at: https://nebraska.slideroom.com. SlideRoom requires particular file formats: applicants may upload images (jpg), and/or video (mov, wmv, flv). For good image quality and fast upload, image (jpg) files should be sized no larger than 1220px @ 72 dpi. Video files must be kept under 60MB each.

Visual Support Materials

Digital Images -- Five digital images of relevant completed artwork projects

Video -- Optional: A video file of artworks up to 5 minutes in length; esp. for any artwork involving moving parts, video, time-based work, etc.. Video should demonstrate the artwork, its functionality and mechanics. Video should not exceed 60 MB.

Image Descriptions

Complete image descriptions directly online as specified on SlideRoom. Include project budgets where applicable.

Professional Vita/Resume

Limit 3 pages.

Three Professional References

Provide at least three professional references (commissioning agency/organization, architect, etc.) who have an intimate knowledge of your work and methods. Include complete address and phone/email for each reference.

The Nebraska Arts Council's SlideRoom portal offers complete instructions for submitting work. For technical assistance, a video tutorial is available at SlideRoom and applicants may access the SlideRoom help desk at www.slideroom.com/support.html.

There is no application fee required of applicants for this program review. The fee is paid by the applicant using a secure system via SlideRoom online as the final step in submitting the application.

PROJECT CONTACT:

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