

OVERVIEW

Region 9 Arts Council received funding for the Public Art in Schools Mural Grant. The goal of the program is to provide opportunities for emerging public artists, bring hands-on enrichment to school art programs, and to install permanent public art of lasting value to schools across the state. The St. Tammany Commission on Cultural Affairs on behalf of the Region 9 Arts Council seeks artists or artist teams to design and implement a permanent, exterior site-specific art mural of original design for the Slidell Junior High School. The installation will work directly with the school and portray the school's culture.

BUDGET

The proposal selected by the Committee will include an all-inclusive budget of \$6,000 to cover all costs associated with the project and commensurate with the intended scale, including but not limited to research, professional consultations, materials, fabrication, transportation, travel, insurance, foundation, installation, and photography and documentation of the artwork.

ELIGIBILITY

This call for artists, whom reside in Region 9 (St. Tammany Parish or St. Bernard Parish) is open to artists 18 and over, regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, gender identification, military status, sexual orientation, marital status, or physical ability.

Artist teams may apply and must designate one artist as the lead contact. Examples of work submitted must be original, recently completed artwork (within the last five years). The application, including all examples of work and supporting documents, is considered the artist's official "submission."

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Application materials must be received by 3:00 PM Friday, March 22, 2024 via email to arts@stpgov.org. Staff will be available for technical assistance Monday – Friday from 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM until Monday, March 18, 2024. Applicants are encouraged to apply early to reduce the risk of technical difficulties. Staff will not accept incomplete or late submissions for any reason.

A complete application must include the following:

- a. Artist résumé demonstrating at least five (5) years of visual art experience. If submitting as a team, a current résumé should be submitted for each team member (compiled into one document). A biography will not be accepted in place of a résumé.
- b. Statement of interest describing:
 1. Why you are interested in this project
 2. Previous experience with public art
 3. Your methods of working
 4. Your connection to (if any) or interest in the School
 5. How you believe the art will enhance the chosen space
- c. References with the names and current contact details of three people you have previously partnered with, worked with or commissioned your work. References will be contacted for artists, upon final selection.
- d. Images (up to 10) of original completed commissions or artworks, not proposals, which demonstrate the artist's qualifications for the project. You must include the title, medium, dimensions, project budget (price), year completed, location, and description. The value must be indicated in US dollars. Each image must contain only one view of the work. Up to 3 videos (optional) of work examples Image specifications: JPG, PNG - Maximum size per image 5MB, total 30MB.
- e. Required Attachments

Mural Partnership Submission Form

About the Artist

Artist Name:

Artist Email Address:

Artist Phone Number:

Artist Statement (No more than 400 characters):

Where can people find you?

Website:

Instagram:

Facebook:

Other:

Acknowledgements

I certify the submittal of the above application along with five electronic images of previous murals are my individual work, do not belong to any other individual or entity, and are not protected by a copyright owned by any other person or entity. By signing below, I am allowing St. Tammany Parish Government unlimited use of these images in their efforts to promote my artwork.

Signature of Artist

Submission Checklist and Required Attachments

- ❑ Completed Submission Form w/ signed Acknowledgments – the Submission Form file should be labeled as follows: *ArtistName_Mural Partnership Submission Form*
- ❑ Valid Driver's License or State Issued ID Card – Identification should be labeled as follows: *ArtistName_Identification*
- ❑ Completed W9 Form - the W9 file should be labeled as follows: *ArtistName_W9*
- ❑ *Applicant UEI*
- ❑ Images (up to 10) high quality electronic images – the image files should be labeled as follows: *ArtistName_TitleofPiece*
- ❑ Return the completed Submission Form, Identification, W9, and Ten (10) images to arts@stpgov.org with the Subject Line: *Artist Name – Mural Submission*.