

Call for Artists

Artists are being sought to facilitate a community art project to be installed along the Doughboy Trail on the Willow River in New Richmond, WI. Artists are expected to collaborate with individuals from local community groups to conceptualize, design, construct and locate a unique public artwork – a series of benches or gathering places – that reflect and promote compassion, belonging, caring, connecting, helping and serving in an innovative way.

The Doughboy Trail Art Bench project is intended to:

- Build “social capital”, specifically social relationships and a sense of civic responsibility among an engaged group of participants using the arts as a vehicle.
- Create community art projects that will attract both local residents and visitors to the rich natural and cultural offerings in the St. Croix Valley.
- Implement, display and celebrate the community value of compassion, and strengths of belonging, caring, connecting, helping and serving.
- Be created in project phases, with the initial phase featuring Compassion and one strength, represented in two separate benches.

Artist’s Compensation:	A fee of \$1,000 - \$3,000, not including materials. The fee will be negotiated for each project/bench to be determined by the available budget and time commitment required.
Choice Criteria:	Innovative, vision, connectedness to theme, responsible use of resources and collaboration overview
Application Process:	Artists with a demonstrated commitment to working with the community or with a history of creating art in public places are encouraged to apply, however previous experience is not required.
Jury Criteria:	Applications will be evaluated on originality, innovation, vision, relevance to theme, responsible use of resources and depiction of collaborative approach.

Please Submit:

- Statement of Artistic Philosophy and Method (100-250 words) including any notable experience pertaining to collaborative public art projects. Please include current contact information.
- Briefly (no more than 1 page) describe how your art relates to community.
- At least 5 no more than 10 images of current work.
 - Images must be saved as JPEG format, resolution 150 dpi long dimension 1000 px.
 - Please label each image 01 to 10 with artist’s last name (e.g. 01Smith.jpg).
 - Include a reference list detailing the title, year created, medium and dimensions.
- To submit application materials, please email all materials in a single PDF to cfisk@domainin.com or mail application materials written to CD to:

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Deadline for receiving applications is Tuesday, March 31st, 2015.

For more information, please contact Carisa Fisk, the SPACE, (715) 246-3180 or cfisk@domaininc.com