

CALL TO ARTISTS – Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

Waxhaw Butterfly Project – Rotating Public Art

This project must be completed by an interested party, willing to shoulder the cost of the materials, yet certain standards of materials must be met.

In appreciation of the selected artist(s), a plaque will be displayed at the site for artist recognition, and a Press Release will be posted to the media to publicize the completion of the project. This will be an annual renewable art project for the Town of Waxhaw.

*Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) Deadline: Sept. 2, 22

ELIGIBILITY

This RFQ is open to all practicing, professional artists OR any group which would like to commission such to paint the Waxhaw Butterfly. Experience in public art is desirable but not required. The selected artist must be available to attend a minimum of two (2) meetings with Town staff and Town Board of Commissioner (BOC) during the design phase and timeline for the artwork.

DESCRIPTION

The Town of Waxhaw is seeking qualified artist(s) interested in painting or creating a unique and interesting design on our downtown metal butterfly statue. The Waxhaw Butterfly Project should remain relevant to the overall essence of community. This can be approached abstractly or literally. Artists of all media are encouraged to apply. Downtown Waxhaw is a vital center of community activity, and we would like all residents and visitors to aesthetically enjoy their experience while walking the main shopping area.

<u>BUDGET</u>

The Town of Waxhaw will pay for the plaque which states who the commissioning entity is, but all expenses will be the responsibility of the selected artist party.



Photo of space and metal sculpture

TIMELINE

| ACTIVITY | PLANNED DATES/TIME | |
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| RFQ Issued | July 1, 22 | |
| Deadline to Request More Information | Aug. 12, 22 | |
| SOQ Deadline | Sept. 2,22 | |
| Review Applications | Sept. 14, 22 | |
| Artist Interviews | Week of Sept. 19 | |
| Notify Selected Artist(s) | Week of Sept. 26 | |
| Council Approval and Award | Sept. 27,22 at 6:30 pm | |
| Commence Services | Sept. 28, 22 | |
| Completion | Within 1 month of the execution of the contract | |
| | Complete by Oct 28, 22 | |

SELECTION PROCESS

Evaluations are based on artistic originality; design appropriate to the location, and meaningful to the community; ability to handle all aspects of the project including procurement of plans stamped by engineered and installation of the project on site; and completeness of proposal. The Selection Committee will select the top candidates for further consideration and will request a personal interview. The proposal will then be presented to the Waxhaw Town Council (BOC) for approval. The Town of Waxhaw reserves the right to reject all proposals.

SELECTION CONSIDERATIONS

The Public Art Selection Jury will review all submissions and evaluate based on the following: • Proposed approach to a unique public art design for the Waxhaw Butterfly • Past experience creating durable art for public spaces that are of similar scope and scale to the existing project, or comparable professional experience working in projects within the Public Sector, but not required • Composition, originality and creativity • Availability to participate in the design, approval and implementation of the project and to complete installation by deadline.

HOW TO SUBMIT

Please submit Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) which will include the items below. For full details and descriptions of each item refer to the RFQ:

SOQ must include:

- 1. Artist Application
- 2. Cover Letter stating interest in the project, approach to public art and highlights any relevant past experience with projects of a similar scope
- 3. Proposed concept and approach to this project a color representation

SOQs must be received by the Town by or before <u>Sept. 2, 22.</u> (EST) Respondent must submit one electronic copy of the SOQ by email with "SOQ for Waxhaw Butterfly Project," in the subject line and addressed to Dena Sabinske, Director of Parks & Recreation, Town of Waxhaw, dsabinske@waxhaw.com

QUESTIONS

Please contact Dena Sabinske at <u>dsabinske@waxhaw.com</u> 704.843.2195 x 278 if you have any further questions.

Waxhaw Butterfly Project Artist Application

| Name(s): | | |
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| Organization: | | _ |
| Responsible Party: | | |
| Address: | | |
| City: | State: | _Zip code: |
| Telephone: | | (business) |
| | | (mobile) |
| Email: | | |
| Website: | | |

A complete application must also include the following:

- 1. Cover Letter stating interest in the project, approach to public art and highlights any relevant past experience with projects of a similar scope
- 2. A color representation of the proposed project

As an applicant for the opportunity to complete this public art project for the Town of Waxhaw, I certify that all works submitted represented as my work are the product of my creation and no other. I further certify that all statements made in this application are true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the Town of Waxhaw may use images of, or the application materials for the purpose of the consideration of my application, the upcoming exhibition, for promotional materials concerning the project. I understand that any liability for loss or damage to my application or images is not the responsibility of the Town of Waxhaw or the panel of jurors installed to review applications.

Applicant signature: ______

Date: _____

Send complete application to Dena Sabinske, Director of Parks & Recreation, Town of Waxhaw, at dsabinske@waxhaw.com