

The City of Plattsburgh

BETTY LITTLE ARTS PARK CALL FOR ART



ARTIST INFORMATION PACKAGE

The City of Plattsburgh is excited to announce the opportunity for local artists to display their work in the City's new Betty Little Arts Park in the heart of downtown Plattsburgh, NY. The park was completed in September 2021 and includes a seating plaza along Margaret Street with two (2) 5' display pads, a splash pad, a central 10' concrete pad for art, and two (2) additional 10' pads for interactive art. The park serves as a gathering space for people of all ages to enjoy our City's growing arts scene with direct connectivity from the Strand Center for the Arts to the City's new riverfront walkway and beyond.

SCHEDULE

- Proposal Submission Deadline: June 1st 2024
- Selected Artists will be notified by: June 24th 2024
- Installation: August 2024 (Date TBD)
- Exhibition Dates: August 2024 thru July 2026
- Removal of Sculptures: July 31, 2026

SITING AND INSTALLATION

Artists must indicate preferred location within the park. However, the final decision on siting will be determined by the Arts Park review committee. Durability and prevention of damage to planted areas, as well as safety to the visiting public, including children, will be important considerations.

Works for the park will be chosen based on quality, design, durability, scale and suitability for an outdoor environment, safety to the public, stable mounting, and for diversity of material and expression. Works should be able to be well anchored to their base platform, into the earth, or securely suspended.

For works that require heavy-duty machinery for unloading and set up, equipment will be available on a limited basis to assist. All works are subject to final approval by the organizers based on appropriateness to site and reserve the right to exclude pieces that pose safety, security or other risks. Artists will be offered the opportunity to correct any problems. Sculptures should not be removed prior to the end of the exhibition period.



COMPENSATION

The City of Plattsburgh will award each artist \$2,000 per artwork for the purpose of design, construction, and lease of the art for the exhibition period outlined above. Artists will be paid \$1000 upon the delivery of artwork and paid \$1000 in August 2025 for the final year of the exhibition.

INSURANCE AND LIABILITY

The City of Plattsburgh will exercise all practical care of the sculptures while in the Arts Park. Artists should be aware that the Park is a non-gated public park, and while there are lights and police patrol it periodically it does not have 24-hour surveillance. Please note: The City of Plattsburgh shall not be held liable for damages. City of Plattsburgh will provide basic liability insurance for sculptures in the Arts Park, but Artists should have their own liability and property insurance.

SAFETY

The Betty Little Arts park is a family park in the heart of downtown. Its audience includes children and people of all ages and backgrounds. Sculptures will be in the proximity of children and need to be appropriate for this environment. Two (2) concrete pads will allow for interactive displays and works that engage the public are encouraged.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

The City would like to invite the artists whose work is being showcased in the park to attend the Lake City Art Festival on Saturday August 24th 2024 to launch the opening of the new exhibition and have a meet and greet with the community to talk about their piece.

CONTACT

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ARTIST APPLICATION MATERIALS

RFP is Open from March 18 -June 1, 2024

Deadline to submit application is June 1st 2024

Please complete this form and attach necessary supporting documentation and email to:
cdo@cityofplattsburgh-ny.gov

IIINFORMATION ABOUT ARTIST AND SUBMISSION

Artist Name:

Phone:

Email:

Artwork Title:

Medium:

Color:

Dimensions:

Description of Process and Inspiration:

Detailed description of installation plan:

Artist's statement

ARTIST APPLICATION CONTINUED

A short statement of interest describing why you are interested in this project

List any websites or social media pages where we can view more of your portfolio

Please indicate your preferred location (See Exhibit A “Map”)

- A (5')
- B (5')
- C (10')
- D (10')
- E (10')

LOCATION	SIZE	DETAILS
A	5' ROUND	NOT ACCESSIBLE BY PUBLIC
B	5' ROUND	NOT ACCESSIBLE BY PUBLIC
C	10' ROUND	LARGE/CENTRAL-NOT ACCESSIBLE BY PUBLIC
D	10' ROUND	LARGE/MAY BE ACCESSIBLE
E	10' SQUARE	LARGE/ACCESSIBLE/INTERACTIVE



ARTIST APPLICATION CONTINUED

Please check the following boxes to acknowledge you have read and understood the program requirements.

- The work I have submitted for review is available for exhibition. I will install it in August 2024 and remove it in August 2026.
- I will provide the City of Plattsburgh with 1-3 high-resolution images of the work to be exhibited. I agree that the City and project partners may use photos/images for promotional and for sale purposes. If applicable, please provide the name of the photographer if other than the artist for acknowledgement.
- My contact information and information about my submission is correct.
- I have filled out, signed, and attached a W-9 form to this application. Applications can be emailed to cdo@cityofplattsburgh-ny.gov.
- I have included a Resume/CV with my application (Optional)

Artist Name

Artist Signature

Date