

“Random Acts of Art” Competition Rules

The Village of Fairport Public Arts Committee (FPAC) is pleased to announce a competition for temporary art work to be installed in various places throughout the Village of Fairport, providing the public with a temporary glimpse into the imagination of the Artist(s) and enlivening the public space.

EXTENDED DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: November 30, 2023 (updated 11/09/23)

1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Random Acts of Art is an opportunity for experimental, ad-hoc, temporary works of art to sprout up throughout the Village of Fairport. The possibilities for creations within public spaces and public parks will provide a glimpse of how the world looks through the eyes of the artist(s) while also providing residents and visitors to the village an opportunity to think differently about what “art” is.

We encourage innovative installations that may include but are not limited to environmental works, work that use ephemeral materials, and multi-sensory new media work.

- Works can be two-dimensional or three-dimensional.
- Proposals can include a specific preferred spot in the village (e.g. address, business, Liftbridge Lane West) or type of location (e.g., next to a bench).
- Artists may not share plans or images (e.g. on social media) until after installation to maintain an element of surprise.
- Works will be disposed of (or become property of the village) unless the artist arranges to remove and take possession on the agreed date.

The goal of this program is to provide artists in the Greater Rochester eight-county region the opportunity to create a vibrant, unexpected experience for pedestrians. Providing visual experiences that maintain the flow of traffic is also important.

Project concepts may include previous work or new work, but the work's ability to relate to the site is paramount. Considerations including appropriate scale, use of materials, content, and overall aesthetic impact on pedestrian and vehicular traffic will be considered.

2. ELIGIBILITY

The Artist must reside within the eight-county area of Monroe, Genesee, Livingston, Ontario, Orleans, Wayne, Wyoming and Yates counties. This is necessary to facilitate timely installation and removal.

3. VISION/GOALS

The FPAC encourages works that are engaging, interactive, playful, and/or thought-provoking.

4. CRITERIA

Entries will be judged on the following criteria: creativity and artistic merit; feasibility of construction; safety; durability in weather conditions for the season or seasons in which it will be displayed; and ease of removal. Submissions will also be evaluated on the appropriateness to the environment and usability for pedestrians.

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5. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

Entrants must complete the online application found here: <https://forms.gle/7dbKptUZtBWZzAzF6>

Application Details

1. Artist Name and Contact Information
2. Proposed Art Installation: Tell us what you want to do and why you want to do it. Get us excited about your creative ideas.
3. Timeframe – When is your expected installation date?
 - a. Proposed Timeline – How long will it take to prepare the work, how long should it be on display, how much time will it take to remove/clean up. Are there any critical dates/durations that are relevant to your installation (ie. Installation will occur when there is snow, installation cannot occur in the snow)
 - b. Proposed Budget: proposed project material list and cost estimate
4. Optional Materials:
 - a. Supporting Illustrations
 - b. Any additional pertinent information to the successful completion of this project
 - c. References, including names and contact information

6. SELECTION PROCESS

Qualifying Artists will receive funding to offset the project costs. A **total** of \$1,500 has been allocated to this competition. This total may be allocated to one compelling art work, or it may be distributed among several artists. Funding will be dependent on a number of factors including the number of eligible applicants, evaluation of responses, and funds available.

A selection committee comprised of five to seven members and will make the selection. The committee will be comprised of Fairport Public Arts Committee Members and Municipal Personnel. The selection committee reserves the right to make no selection from the submitted applications.

7. ARTIST'S RESPONSIBILITY

Winning artist(s) assumes all responsibility for materials, design, construction, storage, delivery and removal of the completed artwork to the selected site. The artist(s) will be required to arrange installation in conjunction with the Village of Fairport.

Artists of the winning proposals may be asked, under the recommendations of the FPAC, to refine or modify their designs to meet criteria.

8. BUDGET AND PAYMENT INFORMATION

Artist(s) will be granted up to \$1,500 to offset proposed costs, including materials, construction, storage, delivery, removal, and artist's fees. Artists will be paid **upon completion and removal of the art work.** Note: The FPAC may consider partial payments options based on individual Artist proposals/circumstances.

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9. CONTACT INFORMATION

Questions must be submitted to Fairport Public Arts Committee [fairportpac@gmail.com] no later than October 1, 2023.

10. DATES TO REMEMBER

Competition Announced	9/11/23
Questions accepted through	10/1/23
EXTENDED Online Application Deadline	11/30/23 by 11pm Eastern Time
Jury Review	November / December
Winner(s) Notified	January 2024

11. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Documents posted online for applicants to review

- Map of Village Lands

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