

**CALL TO ARTISTS
UTILITY TRAFFIC BOXES
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
BUDGET: \$2,000.00 EACH
DEADLINE: August 30, 2022**

Overview

The Avondale Municipal Art Committee (AMAC) invites professional artists** to submit an application for displaying their work on utility traffic boxes along Dysart Road and Western Avenue as part of a temporary exhibition to remain on display for potentially two to five years.

Artists will be selected to display functional public art to enrich and enliven the community on six utility traffic boxes that have been selected around various locations in the City. Qualified artwork design shall be in the form of a vinyl wrap or applied to the utility box. The AMAC will pay for design and installation costs up to \$2,000 per utility box.

Themes have been identified for each of the designated utility boxes to complement the character of the surrounding area or neighborhoods. They are designated as follows:

- TS1 SEC Avondale Boulevard and McDowell Road (near Circle K)
- TS2 NWC 101 Avenue and McDowell Road (near Costco power center)
- TS3 NEC 103 Avenue and McDowell Road
- TS4 NEC 107 Avenue and McDowell Road
- TS5 SWC Rancho Santa Fe Boulevard and McDowell Road (near La Petite Academy Preschool)
- TS6 SWC Friendship Park and McDowell Road

Eligibility

Artists 18 years old or older, and legally authorized to work in the United States (per U.S. Department of Labor) are eligible for this project.

To be considered, artists must submit a proposal packet which includes:

- References: Copy of a current resume, listing qualifications, and any professional recognition (awards, honors, exhibition record etc.)
- A minimum of five and maximum of ten images of their work completed within the past five years.
- Contact information
- Artist statement regarding the work to be considered.
- A design concept, such as a drawing and dimensions, of the work to be considered (Digital formats are acceptable.)
- An artist statement of the expected timeline for the project and their artist statement for their willingness to work with the installation company to provide necessary times drawings to complete the work.



Selection Process

The AMAC will review submissions and assign the appropriate artists for this project, based on considerations for artistic merit and qualifications.

EXAMPLE: Past work, ability to create artwork, adherence to theme, innovative, Etc...

The Committee will select the artist design theme based on each location. The AMAC may award the entire project to one artist or split the project among several artists. The city reserves the right to decline artwork that deems to be inconsistent with our message and mission.

If the art is to be imprinted on a vinyl wrap, the artist will ensure that a qualified vendor will professionally produce and install the wrap using materials guaranteed for a minimum of five years. The City will provide size specifications etc.

Deadline

Projected November 2022 installation timeframe

Notes:

City of Avondale is not responsible for the loss or damage of any submitted materials. All information contained herein does not constitute either an expressed or implied contract.

Artwork on the utility box is intended to be temporary, with a life span of two to five years. The City reserves the right to remove the art at any time.

Avondale is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis or race, color, creed, ancestry, national origin, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, religion, age, veteran status or disability.

The Avondale Municipal Art Committee reserves the right to make the final decision as it best represents the view of the City of Avondale.