

Call to Artists

Daley Park

Public Art Opportunity

The city of Tempe is seeking an artist to create artwork for Daley Park, a 17-acre park located close to Arizona State University on Encanto Drive and College Avenue and bordered by the Union Pacific Railroad tracks. Daley Park reflects the lush, old growth vegetation of the neighborhoods that surround it. Daley Park is used by diverse groups, from young children to softball teams as well as the neighborhood families. The park also is used for birthday parties, dog shows and other group activities nearly every weekend of the year. Due to its proximity to ASU it is used often by college students for sports and group gatherings.

Daley Park is the largest neighborhood park in Tempe. Daley Park was built in 1950 on land acquired from Mr. & Mrs. E. W. Hudson. The park was named for Ed Daley who was the Tempe City Manager from 1932-1953. A main feature of the park is the large Carob tree which was designated a "Great Tree of Arizona" in 2002 by the Arizona Community Tree Council.

The chosen artist will work with the Daley Park Neighborhood Association, University Estates Neighborhood Association, the University Park Neighborhood Association and the artist selection panel to develop an art concept and execute a public art project for the site.

A master plan has been developed for Daley Park. The chosen artist agrees to produce a work in conformity with the master plan. For information, visit www.tempe.gov/parks/parks/daley.htm.

To learn more about city of Tempe public art, visit www.tempe.gov/arts.

Eligibility

Visual artists and artist teams residing in Arizona are eligible to apply for this public art opportunity.

Budget

The artist's fee for this project will not exceed \$51,000. The fee for this project is all-inclusive of costs such as artist's design fee, travel, attendance and presentations at several city meetings and other related costs. The artist shall collaborate with the neighborhood associations to develop the project concepts and plans.

Artist fees are funded and supported by the city of Tempe Municipal Arts Commission.

Selection process and criteria

The panel will review artists' submissions, resumes and letters of interest. Selected artists may be interviewed by the panel.

Information from references will be used to assist in the decision-making process. Previous public art experience is preferred but not required.

Selection panel

The artist selection panel may consist of members of the Tempe Municipal Arts Commission, visual artists and Tempe residents and associated city staff.

Deadline

Materials must be received by 5 p.m. on Nov. 9, 2009. This date is not a postmarked deadline. No late applications will be accepted or deadline extensions given.

Submission materials

Please submit the following for consideration. There is not an application form. Materials will not be returned.

- **Letter of interest:** A one page letter of interest describing why you are interested in this project. Specific proposals are not requested at this stage in the process.
- **Digital Images:** Up to 10 digital images of applicable work (jpeg format, 300dpi, and sized at least 4-inches x 5-inches). Please clearly label the CD with your name.
- **Image list:** A descriptive listing of the images that correspond with the CD. Information should include title, date of completion, material(s), size, project budget, and a thumbnail of the image.
- **Resume:** A current resume of no more than three pages. Please include your address, email address and daytime telephone number.

Please do not utilize folders, staples or bind materials submitted for application. Oversized documents will not be accepted. Please submit all written materials single-sided on white 8½ x 11-inch paper so that materials may be photocopied clearly.

Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted and will be returned. Deadline extensions will not be given.

Materials should be mailed or delivered to:

City of Tempe
Public Art Program
Attn: Daley Park
3340 S. Rural Road
Tempe, AZ 85282

Cultural Services hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, except city-recognized holidays.

Public Art in Tempe

The public art program was established in 1988 and commissions a mixture of quality temporary and permanent projects that are most often integrated with the infrastructure of the facility or building. For information about Tempe's public art program, visit www.tempe.gov/arts and click on public art.

Information

Please contact Maja Aurora Switzer, Public Arts Coordinator, maja_switzer@tempe.gov 480-350-5160.

This Call to Artist does not commit the city to enter into any agreement, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of the proposal to this request or in subsequent negotiations, or to produce a contract for the project. The city reserves the right to reject any or all applications, reissue the Call to Artist, revise the project terms or procure any service by other means. While all reasonable care will be taken, the city is not responsible for loss of or damage to materials included with applications.