

CALL TO ARTISTS

Storm Drain Mural Project

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Call Type: Public Art

Eligibility: National

Location: Coos Bay, Oregon

Project Deadline: June 30th, 2019

Description of Project:

The city of Coos Bay, Coos Watershed Association, Coos Art Museum and Coos Bay Downtown Association are working together to create a Storm Drain Mural Walk. The murals along the Mural Walk will serve as a visual reminder that all things landing on the street, wash down the drain and directly into the bay. The walk will also serve as community beautification and bring attention to downtown businesses and events. Mural paintings will be part of a live painting event that takes place during The Blackberry Arts Festival, August 24th and 25th, 2019. After the event, a brochure mapping the murals and their locations will be available in the Visitor Center and promoted as "The Storm Drain Mural Walk" creating ongoing education.

A selection committee, comprised of one member from each of the above mentioned partners, will make final selections, as well as final decisions of locations and drains assigned to each artist based on the entries submitted.

Mission Statement:

To create a visceral reaction in viewers that brings awareness to watershed issues, reduces storm water pollution and artfully revitalizes our downtown.

Details:

- Storm drains have different sizes and different configurations. To view examples of the drains, visit www.coosart.org/art-education/. Storm drain areas will be pressure washed before painting event, but not primed.
- Artists will be supplied with the following: paint (in a limited palette for maintenance ease and visual cohesiveness), brushes, rags, buckets and water. Artists need to be prepared to work on uneven surfaces. The murals can go around the drain and up onto the sidewalk, but, for the most part stay out of the street and off the metal grate of the drain. The paints used will be the color equivalent to: pthalo blue, bright aqua green, quinacridone magenta, cadmium yellow, cadmium red, titanium white and mars black. Artists will be supplied with the exterior latex color equivalents although they do not always mix the same as artists' quality acrylics. A top coat will then be used to coat and protect the murals.

- All murals are required to have the text “#nofilter” in them. Murals can have more text, as desired.
- Artists are responsible for personal travel expenses, room and board expenses, and any supplemental supplies they require.

Artists Scope of Work:

- Submit digital or physical image of original works intended for storm drain mural. Images may be used for promotional materials before and after event, but images will be returned to the artists.
- Participate in live painting event on the days of the festival (August 24th and/or August 25th)
- Participate in the brief education seminar before the event so artists can answer potential questions asked about the project during the live painting event.

Eligibility:

- Open to all artists producing original works of art related to the mission statement of the project and who are able to paint mural during the scheduled festival times.
- Submissions (digital or physical) must be original in concept, composition and execution. Image should be in color (medium of your choice) and using the color palette described above. Submissions must be a color rendering of what the artist is prepared to apply to the drain and not, simply an example of the type of work created by the artist.

Submission requirements:

- A minimum of 1 and a maximum of 5 artworks may be submitted per artist.
- Submissions must be postmarked or hand delivered no later than June 30th, 2019
- Submissions by digital files on compact disk, flash drive or memory card, must be in jpg format with a minimum of 300dpi and approximately 5” x 7” – 8” x 10”. All devices must be labeled, on the outside, with the artist’s name, title of work, media used and intended final dimensions.
- Physical submissions must be approximately 9” x 12” – 20” x 30” and labeled on the back with the artists name, title of work, media used, and intended final dimensions.
- NO SLIDE SHOWS OR THUMBNAILS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
- NO SUBMISSIONS VIA EMAIL WILL BE ACCEPTED

Questions?

Contact Josie Keating, Coos Art Museum Director of Education, at arted@coosart.org or 541.217.0830.

Send submissions to:

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