



Call for Artists: Sculpture Commission

Project: Large Troll Fishing on the Bank of Hart Lake

Materials: Natural Elements

Location: On the bank of Hart Lake near the bridge on State Street

Submission Deadline: July 1, 2024

Project Description

The City of Hart Economic & Redevelopment Team seeks a talented artist or team of artists to design and construct a larger-than-life-sized sculpture of a troll fishing on the bank of Hart Lake. The sculpture will be a permanent outdoor installation, designed to blend its natural surroundings. It should be whimsical, imaginative, and constructed primarily from natural elements such as wood, stone, and other organic materials. The piece must be durable and weather-resistant, able to withstand the outdoor elements year-round.

Requirements

Design: The sculpture should portray a sitting troll in a fishing pose.

Materials: Use natural materials that are suitable for outdoor exposure. Examples include wood, stone, vines, and other organic materials.

Durability: The sculpture must be structurally sound and able to withstand various weather conditions.

Integration: The piece should harmonize with the natural setting of Hart Lake and not disrupt the ecosystem.

Safety: Ensure the sculpture is safe for public interaction, with no sharp edges or hazardous components.

Submission Guidelines

Interested artists should submit the following materials:

- **Artist Statement:** A brief description of your artistic vision and experience with similar projects.
- **Design Proposal:** Sketches or renderings of the proposed sculpture, including dimensions and materials.
- **Budget Estimate:** A budget outlining material costs, labor, and any other expenses.
- **Timeline:** Proposed timeline from conception to completion.
- **Portfolio:** Examples of previous work, particularly outdoor installations or sculptures

Selection Process

Submissions will be reviewed by the H'art Project Committee, which consists of local artists, community leaders, and art enthusiasts. The selected artist(s) will be awarded a commission to create the sculpture, with the total budget to be discussed upon selection.

Timeline:

- Submission Deadline: July 1, 2024
- Selection Announcement: July 9, 2024
- Installation Completion: November 1, 2024

Submission Process:

Please send your complete proposal package to nkleiner@cityofhart.org by the submission deadline. If you have any questions or need further information, contact Nichole Kleiner at (231) 923-0920 or nkleiner@cityofhart.org.

Honorarium:

The selected artist or artist team will receive a stipend of \$750 to cover the creation and installation of the sculpture.

About the H'art Project:

The H'art Project aims to put the art in "H'art" with a goal of 25 public art installments in the walkable downtown by the end of 2025. The addition of this sculpture aims to enhance the cultural and aesthetic experience for all visitors.

We look forward to seeing your creative visions come to life at Hart Lake!