



**CALL FOR ARTISTS**  
**For Purchase of Artwork**  
Downtown Rotary Sculpture Garden  
In Bicentennial Park  
Reno, Nevada

**DEADLINE: March 9, 2020 by 5:00 PM**

**ELIGIBILITY:** The Project is **OPEN** to artists with experience in public art projects.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

The City of Reno Arts & Culture Commission, in collaboration with The Reno Downtown Rotary, is seeking sculpture for purchase and installation in Bicentennial Park, immediately east of Ralston Street between First Street and the Truckee River, in downtown Reno.

Goals of this project include: transforming a park into a home for a permanent sculpture exhibition; increase public awareness of art; broaden viewers' perspectives of public spaces within the City, and foster a sense of place in a highly visible area along the Truckee River.

**SPECIFICATIONS:**

All sculptures **MUST** fit one of the existing pedestals. The maximum weights and sizes vary for each pedestal type. There are two available pedestals (2B and 5C - See attached for weight and size specifications). The pedestals are topped with a steel plate for welding/securing artwork. Selected artist(s) will provide an image of the artwork being proposed.

The artist(s) selected should have demonstrated experience working in public locations subject to vandalism. Artwork will be selected based on the quality of design and higher ranking will be given to pieces that are made of durable materials, need minimal maintenance, and can withstand the high desert climate and public environment. All artwork must be original and created for permanent installation. Proposals should consider the surrounding environs in which they will be placed. Existing work will be considered provided it fits within the specifications of the pedestals above and on the attached sheets. Artists are welcome to propose new work for creation. Artwork must be able to be welded to the steel plates on the pedestal for installation.

**BUDGET:**

The total budget for this project is \$40,000. There are two (2) available sculpture pads. The purchase price of the piece should include any artist fees for transporting the work to the site. Please note: The budget is for 2 pieces of art, not necessarily from the same artist.

**THE CITY OF RENO WILL PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:**

Assistance with install of the artworks including welding, cranes, lifts, and site-management.

**ARTIST RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Artists whose work is selected will be responsible for:

- Transportation of artwork to the exhibition site.
- Assistance and supervision of the installation of the artwork.

**SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Current resume detailing professional artistic accomplishments and references from past public art projects, including awards if applicable
2. Each artist may propose up to 5 sculptures for purchase. Include up to five (5) images of proposed sculpture(s). (These can be uploaded in the section that asks for images of your completed commissions. Please include in the caption area that the image is a proposed concept or piece for Bicentennial Park.)
3. Letter of Interest including:
  - a. Project Approach: include a written statement with design concept, anticipated maintenance requirements for a five year period, measurements, outline of installation requirements, and choice of materials (including detailed manufacturer specifications). If your design is for a specific pad, please specify. Limited to two pages, type written.
  - b. Image List - image number, title, media, size, date, location, description of work and purchase price.

**\*\*PLEASE BE SURE TO FOLLOW THE ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS WHEN USING THE CODAWORX INTERFACE\*\***

**Please submit via CODAworx at:**

<https://www.codaworx.com/rfp-toolkit/rfp/new-city-of-reno-public-art-project>

ESTIMATED TIME LINE	
January 16, 2020	<b>INVITATION TO ARTISTS AVAILABLE</b>
March 9, 2020 (by 5:00 PM)	<b>SUBMITTAL DEADLINE</b>
March 16, 2020	Selection Committee selects artists
April 14, 2020	Arts and Culture Commission selects finalist(s)
April 20, 2020	<b>ARTIST(s) NOTIFIED (via email)</b>
Summer 2020	<b>Artist(s) install sculptures</b>

**Application Information or Submittal Information:**  
**Megan Berner, City of Reno, Public Art Program Coordinator (775) 326-6333**  
**Arts, Culture & Events Office**  
**925 Riverside Drive, Reno, NV 89503**

**ROTARY BICENTENNIAL SCULPTURE PARK  
SPECIFICIATIONS/ARTIST SCULPTURE REQUIREMENTS**

Pedestal/ Pad #	Concrete Pad	Concrete Pedestal	Sculpture Height (Max)	Sculpture Width (Max)	Sculpture Weight (Max)	Notes
2B		5' W x 4' H Square	11' H	6' W	10,000 LBS	Centered on Pedestal
5C		4' W x 4' H Square	11' H	5' W	8,000 LBS	Centered on Pedestal

**General Notes:**

1. For pedestals 2 & 5; the artist shall provide sculpture anchoring design which matches the structural plate size and anchor bolt placement per approved structural design without damaging anchor bolts.
2. The sculpture anchoring design shall be analyzed based on local wind, seismic loads, and snow load per international building code 2012, ASCE 7-10 and Washoe County requirements.
3. Structural engineering design shall be provided by a Nevada registered engineer.
4. Sculpture on pedestals 2 & 5 shall be designed to face the adjacent walkway.