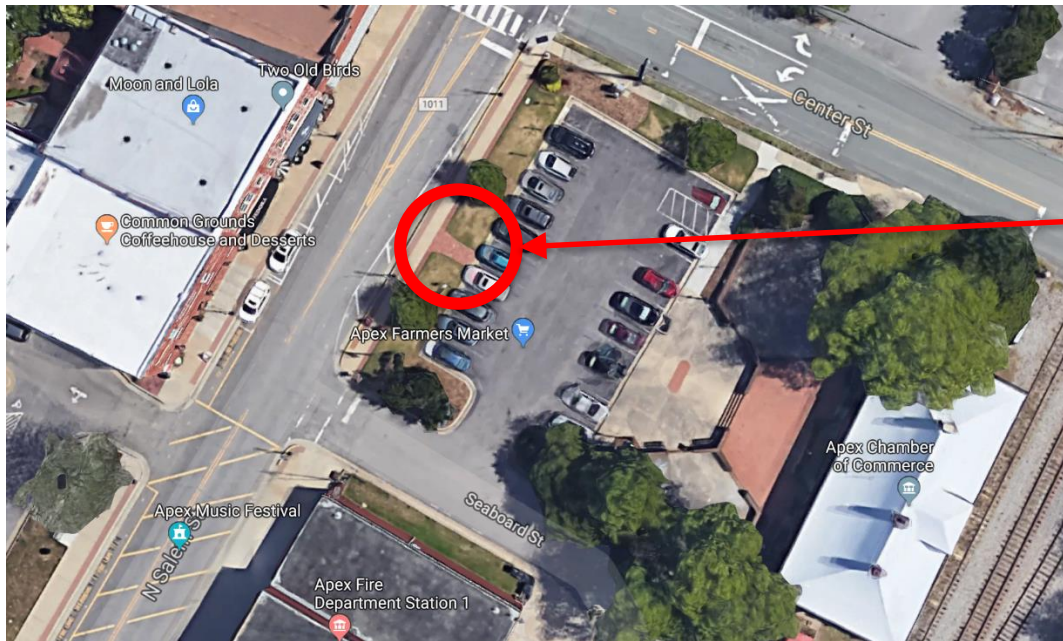


Call for Artists

Project: Frame Sculpture in Downtown Apex, North Carolina

Summary: The Apex Public Art Committee, a sub-committee of the Apex Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Advisory Commission is inviting artists to apply to design and install a frame sculpture adjacent to the sidewalk in front of the Apex Chamber of Commerce in Apex's historic downtown.



Sculpture
Location

Salem Street, downtown Apex, NC

Eligibility: Open to all professional visual artists creating original sculptures suitable to withstanding exterior environmental conditions. Local, regional and North Carolina based artists are specifically encouraged to apply.

Deadline for Application: Friday, February 22, 2019, 5:00 PM EST.

Description / Theme: The sculpture shall be a life-size frame that would allow the public to interact with the artwork by taking photos with and through the frame, using multiple views of Apex's historic downtown as a backdrop. To achieve multiple views; one option is to design the frame to pivot upon its base but other options will be considered.

The finished sculpture will fit on a 4' X 4' concrete foundation (or equivalent supplied by the Town of Apex) and be no more than 4 feet wide and no taller than 10 feet. The sculpture will be permanently affixed to the foundation and use materials suitable to withstand the elements for many years to come. All cranes, lifts, etc. will be the responsibility of the artist as well as supplies necessary to complete the project and clean-up the site post installation.

Submission: Artists interested in this project must prepare and submit a single PDF, no larger than 15MB in size, labeled as follows (Frame Sculpture-Last Name-First Name). Submission shall include the following:

- Up to three images / renderings of the proposed mural.
- Written narrative (no more than one page) describing the concept of the design
- List of proposed materials
- Sculpture dimensions
- Timeline for installation
- All inclusive cost
- Minimum of three examples of your work for comparable sculptures in public spaces including images, location and date of installation.
- Minimum of two professional references (name, email, phone number) whom we can contact during the selection period.
- The Apex Public Art Committee reserves the right to request additional information as needed.

Email Submission to Renee.Anderson@apexnc.org

Budget: The project budget is not to exceed \$9,000 which include all materials, workmanship, insurance, design and installation of the final product. Each submission must include the specific cost as part of the proposal. Payments will be made in installments; 25% after award and upon contract signature, 25% at the beginning of installation and the balance upon completion and acceptance of the final product.

Publicity: The artwork and artist will be featured on the Town website, in local media and at the Halle Cultural Arts center upon completion of the work.

In general, the Town of Apex shall own the physical works of art, and copyrights shall be retained by the artist, with reproduction rights granted to the Town of Apex for appropriate promotional and educational purposes.

Timeline:

- Call for Artists Posted: 24 January 2019
- Submission Deadline: 22 February 2019
- Interview Period: 11 March – 22 March 2019

- Artist Selection: 12 April 2019
- Completion: 14 June 2019

Selection: The artist selection committee will be comprised of members of the Apex Public Art Committee, Town Council, Town Planning Department and representatives of the community. The selection process will include review of submitted design concepts, proposed materials and accompanying narrative as well as an interview with the shortlisted artists. Selection criteria includes originality, artistic quality and the best representation of the sculpture description / theme stated above.

The Town of Apex reserves the right to refuse any or all submissions and to determine that submissions are not adequate for any reason until contractual arrangements are finalized.

Questions / Contacts: Any questions about this project can be addressed to Renee.Anderson@apexnc.org and will be responded to promptly.