LYNN CREEK COMMUNITY CENTRE

PUBLIC ART CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Deadline: Sunday November 8, 2020

Public Art Budget: \$75,000







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INTRODUCTION

The North Vancouver Recreation & Culture Commission and the District of North Vancouver are seeking an artist or artist team to create a site-specific public artwork to be featured at the new Lynn Creek Community Centre, set to open in Spring 2023. This Call for Expressions of Interest does not require the preparation of a proposal. Only artists who are short-listed for consideration will be required to develop a concept proposal.

ELIGIBILITY

This Public Art opportunity invites expressions of interest from all professional Artists or Artist Teams based in Canada. Artists must demonstrate that they have the creative expertise and technical skills to manage all phases of the process from design development through to installation in coordination with the project contractors and municipal staff.

PROJECT CONTEXT - District of North Vancouver

The District of North Vancouver is a vibrant urban municipality with a population of 88,000 that is situated on the north side of Burrard Inlet. Nestled on the mountainside, the District features several distinctive and diverse village style neighbourhoods each with its own unique natural offerings, kayaking inlets, mountain biking trails, ski hills and suspension bridges.

Public Art Program

The District has a thriving Public Art Program that consists of a wide ranging selection of artworks that are both sculptural and integrated into the landscape. Each piece is site specific, conveying interesting local stories about community aspirations, environmental splendors and vibrant local culture. Artwork in this growing collection can be found along nature trails and public walkways, in parks, plazas and civic buildings, marking gateways and animating streetscapes.

Existing Public Artworks Lynn Creek











Lynn Creek Town Centre

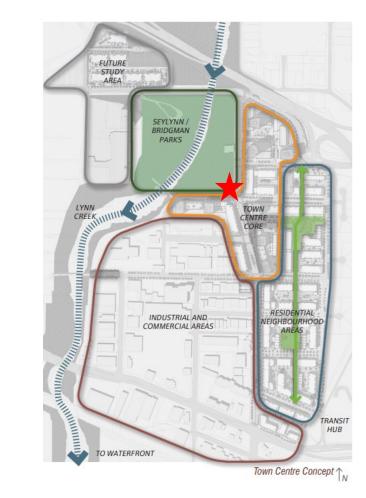
As a progressive new community within the District, Lynn Creek Town Centre will feature a range of artworks that contribute to the neighbourhood's unique sense of place. This neighbourhood is centrally located at the 2nd Narrows bridgehead, bordering the Lynn Creek parks and trails system to the west and Highway 1 to the north and Squamish Nation lands to the east. Over time, revitalization of this important urban centre will see it become a transit oriented mixed use community comprised of a wide range of housing types, nearby work opportunities, shopping and civic amenities such as parks and community centres.

Vision & Themes for the Lynn Creek Town Centre

The Lynn Creek Public Realm Guidelines document celebrates the area's connection to, and urban interface with, the natural environment, the industrial and port land areas, alternative transportation systems and proximity to outdoor recreation.

Based on public and staff input the document clearly outlines a range of creative and community visions for the area that are meant to guide considerations for new buildings, streets, parks and public art. Specifically those visions and themes are:

- Industrial and contemporary character: steel, rock, bold colours, geometric shapes, eclectic
- Creative enterprises: cool, funky creative, craft breweries, repair services, coffee houses, start-ups and mom/pop shops
- Community connections (Lynn Creek to Lynnmour, CNV and Seymour areas)
- Sustainable community: District energy, pedestrian & bicycle friendly, recycling, live/work.

















Hunter at Lynn Creek (an Intergulf Project)

The Lynn Creek Community Centre is one component of a comprehensive Intergulf Project that is situated along the southern edge of Seylynn Park at Hunter Street. The Hunter at Lynn Creek development includes the following components:

- Mixed use building (Community Centre + Daycare)
- > 16 storey residential tower
- > 27 storey residential tower
- > 12 stacked townhouse units

Lynn Creek Community Centre

The exterior of the community centre includes a public plaza that supports the intersection of Mountain Highway and Hunter Street as a pedestrian gateway to parks and trails that extend along Lynn Creek. The two level community centre includes a new gym and a range of multi-purpose rooms. The third floor of the building is dedicated to a community run daycare.







PUBLIC ART OBJECTIVES & OPPORTUNITIES

It is anticipated that the selected public art for the Lynn Creek Community Centre will:

- ➤ Be a celebratory expression of emerging neighbourhood themes.
- Deliver a bold visual or other sensory impact.
- > Spark opportunities for social engagement.

The project team is open to considering art concepts for any of the following locations in or around the new Lynn Creek Community Centre:

- > Exterior Public Plaza or Building Façade.
- ➤ Interior Atrium, Reception or Publicly Accessible Areas.





PUBLIC ART KEY EXAMPLES (In consideration of Lynn Creek Town Centre approved themes)

- Industrial & Contemporary Character: steel, rock, bold colours, geometric shapes, eclectic
- Creative Enterprises: cool, funky creative, craft breweries, repair services, coffee houses, start-ups and mom/pop shops
- Community Connections: proximity to Lynn Creek nature trails, community schools, local businesses, recreation centre
- > Sustainable Community: District energy, pedestrian & bicycle friendly, ecofriendly, live/work





















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PUBLIC ART BUDGET

The amount designated for the artwork is \$75,000 CAD inclusive of artist fees, fabrication, delivery, installation, engineering certificates, site coordination, permits, insurance and all applicable taxes. The artist(s) selected will be responsible for obtaining a general public liability insurance policy of \$5,000,000 for the duration of the project.

ARTIST SELECTION

Process

Artist selection will be administered in a two stage process. In stage one, the Artist Selection Panel review all qualified EOI submissions and will be responsible for determining a short-list of three.

In stage two, the short-listed artists will receive a honourarium in the amount of \$1,000 to develop and present their creative design proposal to the Artist Selection Panel for consideration. This presentation will occur via an online platform due to the Covid-19 situation. After listening to all of the presentations, a final decision will be made.

Artist Selection Panel

An arm's length Artist Selection Panel will be convened for this project. The purpose of the Artist Selection Panel is to select the highest qualified artist(s) to complete the project. The Panel will be composed of representatives as follows: Project Design Team Member; NV Recreation and Culture Commission, NV Public Art Advisory Committee Member; two Artistic Professionals. District staff and the Public Art Officer serve in a non-voting capacity.

TIMELINE

Timing for delivery of this public art project is anticipated to proceed as follows:

| LCCC Public Art Call Deadline for Expressions of Interest | November 8 (midnight) |
|---|-----------------------|
| Jury Meeting 1 (Short Listing) | November 9-13 |
| Jury Meeting 2 (Concept Proposals) | December 7-11 |
| Contract Signing | |
| Artist Fabrication – Installation | |
| Community Centre Opens | |

^{*}The Selection Panel will have the option to not make a selection if there is not a submission that warrants consideration.

EOI SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS & CHECKLIST

If possible submit the following information as **one PDF file**, (ideally horizontal format and no more than **7 MB** total)

- 1. <u>Cover Letter</u>: Briefly outlining how your work might be a good fit for this project (one page)
- 2. <u>Current CV:</u> Include current contact information (4 pages max. per artist)
- 3. <u>Digital Images:</u> 10 images showing previous examples of your public art
- 4. Image Descriptions: Provide information about submitted images: artwork title, date, dimensions, cost/value
- **5.** <u>Two References:</u> Provide names & titles

Send submission to: publicart@nvrc.ca using the subject line: LCCC (Your Last Name)

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