



City of Tampa
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**Neighborhood Empowerment
Division of Arts and Cultural Affairs**

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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

CITY OF TAMPA 2020 – 2021 ARTIST PRE-QUALIFIED POOL

This is an Open Call for Artists Who:

- Can bring their talents and collaborative skills to a team
- Recognize the value of community building and working at a grassroots level
- Have an interest in creating artwork for a variety of locations including neighborhoods, parks and transportation related locations

Project Budgets will vary pending scope, scale and location

Application materials must be received electronically by **June 19th 2020**

About:

The City of Tampa Division of Arts & Cultural Affairs invites artists and artist-led teams residing in the Florida to submit qualifications for potential inclusion the *2020-2021 Pre-Qualified Artist Pool*. The *Pool* will be used to select artists for commissions for a range of new public art projects.

The purpose of the Pool is to commission more regional artists for local projects such as Mayor Castor's Art on the Block Program, and to integrate more artwork and artistic elements into citywide infrastructure while successfully meeting project schedules. Additionally, the Division of Arts & Cultural Affairs has seen increased interest from private developers, local businesses, and community members wanting to connect with local artists for their own projects.

Eligibility /Qualifications:

This opportunity is open to all artists residing in Florida, both emerging and established artists, individuals and artist-led teams, and artists working with a wide variety of mediums, who have completed projects for private clients, public agencies or for grassroots/community projects. Artist teams of any size may apply.

Prior Public Art experience is not a requirement to submit information to the Pool. The Pool will be one of the primary methods for inviting artists to apply for future Art on the Block and Transportation-related opportunities, but does not guarantee a commission.

Selection Process:

Information and materials submitted in response to this RFQ will be evaluated by a Curatorial Advisory Committee comprised of arts professionals to determine eligibility to apply for specific opportunities.

The Application Process:

A complete application consists of the following four items. **Please be sure to clearly state name, address, email, phone, and website on all documents.** All documents must be submitted as PDFs and images as JPGs (preferably).

The Committee will accept team applications. If you're applying as a team, please include résumés for all team members, and indicate in your written statement the role of each team member. Additionally, please include images of projects that your team has previously collaborated. If you have not collaborated, include images of projects from each team member that best illustrates the type of project or approach for this project.

1. Written Statement (PDF)

- Maximum length one (1) page
- Describe your medium, approach to your work and highlight any specific experience or collaborations that you feel may align with this call

2. Professional Résumé (PDF):

- Maximum length two (2) pages.

3. Digital Images (preferred file format is JPG. PDF is acceptable):

- Please include up to 10 images (no fewer than 6) of completed art works or projects.

4. ID Sheet: For each image/project list (PDF):

- Budget
- Title of Work
- Medium
- Dimensions
- Date of Work
- 1-2 sentences of explanatory text
- (not required) 2 video links (Vimeo, YouTube, etc) that are approximately 2 minutes in length

How to Submit:

Please upload via Hightail/OpenText at: <https://spaces.hightail.com/uplink/art-programs> or email a link from a file sharing service (Dropbox, WeTransfer, etc.) to artprograms@tampagov.net . If uploading to Hightail/OpenText, all items for submission must be uploaded as one zipped folder labeled with artist's name. Mailed submissions will not be accepted. **Materials must be submitted electronically by June 19th 2020.**

Questions? Contact the Division of Arts & Cultural Affairs via email:

Email: ArtPrograms@tampagov.net

Website: www.tampagov.net/arts