

## How to Apply Webinar

Maryland School for the Deaf Public Art Commissions - Request for Qualifications

Hosted by: Maryland School for the Deaf Commission Maryland State Arts Council



## Land Acknowledgement Statement

We acknowledge the lands and waters now known as Maryland are the home of its first peoples: the Accohannock Indian Tribe, Assateague People's Tribe, Cedarville Band of Piscataway Indians, Choptico Band of Indians, Lenape Tribe, Nanticoke Tribe, Nause-Waiwash Band of Indians, Piscataway Conoy Tribe, Piscataway Indian Nation, Pocomoke Indian Nation, Susquehannock Indians, Youghiogheny River Band of Shawnee, and tribes in the Chesapeake watershed who have seemingly vanished since the coming of colonialism. We acknowledge that this land is now home to other tribal peoples living here in diaspora. We acknowledge the forced removal of many from the lands and waterways that nurtured them as kin. We acknowledge the degradation that continues to be wrought on the land and waters in pursuit of resources. We acknowledge the right of the land and waterways to heal so that they can continue to provide food and medicine for all. We acknowledge that it is our collective obligation to pursue policies and practices that respect the land and waters so that our reciprocal relationship with them can be fully restored.



## **Equity and Justice Statement**

The arts celebrate our state's diversity, connect our shared humanity, and transform individuals and communities. The Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC) and its supporting collaborators are committed to advancing and modeling equity, diversity, accessibility, and inclusion in all aspects of our organizations and across communities of our state.

MSAC and its grantees are committed to embracing equity and non-discrimination regardless of race, religious creed, color, age, gender expression, sexual orientation, class, language, and/or ability.



## Vision

The Maryland State Arts Council plays an essential role ensuring every person has access to the transformative power of the arts.

### **Mission**

Maryland State Arts Council advances the arts in our state by providing leadership that champions creative expression, diverse programming, equitable access, lifelong learning, and the arts as a celebrated contributor to the quality of life for all the people of Maryland.



Goal 1. Increase Participation: Broaden MSAC's constituency, providing avenues designed to increase pathways to engagement
Goal 2. Provide Intentional Support: Embrace thoughtful and targeted approaches to serving known and yet to be known MSAC constituents
Goal 3. Build Capacity: Work strategically to further build organizational and governance capacity to ensure that MSAC is capable of vigorously

delivering on its mission

**Goal 4. Leverage Connections:** Further enhance current relationships and involve additional partners, collaborators, and constituents who will benefit from and advance the work of MSAC

**Goal 5. Bolster Maryland Arts:** Showcase the high caliber, diverse and relevant work of Maryland's artists and arts organizations; their contributions to community vitality and MSAC's role as a catalyst



## **Creative Meeting Actions**

- Celebrate being in the space with other creative people.
- Engage with everyone's presence as a gift.
- Acknowledge that together we know a lot.
- Enter the conversation with curiosity and inquiry.
- **Share** your idea and trust that it will be heard.
- Use "I" statements.
- Focus your language on the task at hand.
- Hold one another accountable with care.
- Apply "Yes, and!" "I hear your idea and I'm going to add to it!" Balance speaking and listening.



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#### Agenda

- **01 Project Management and Partners**
- 02 Project Overview
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- 04 Artist Selection Process
- 05 How to Apply
- 06 Project Timeline
- 07 Questions



The project is a partnership between:

- Maryland State Arts Council
  - The Maryland Department of General Services
  - Maryland School for the Deaf



Maryland School for the Deaf

Is a diverse and bilingual community, in partnership with families - provides an equitable and exemplary education in a nurturing, engaging, and challenging environment to ensure our students achieve personal excellence and become responsible lifelong learners.



Maryland State Arts Council

- Manages Maryland's Percent-for-Art program
- Artists are selected for projects by a Committee specific to the project.
- MSAC manages the process from artist through installation.
- Finished work becomes part of the state's art collection



**Department of General Services** 

- Project Manager
- Artist will Contract directly with the Department of General Services



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- Two projects, with distinct timelines



#### Project Overview Commission A

| Project/Facility:                       | Veditz Building Renovation  |
|---|---|
| Project Budget:                         | Not to exceed \$65,000  |
| Semi-Finalists<br>Interview<br>Stipend: | \$2,500 travel and interview stipend provided to each of the three semi-finalists |

Work will be sited near the front entrance of the building will be a storefront-enclosed porch entrance and possibility in the rear courtyard



**Commission B** 

| Project/Facility            | New Student Residences  |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>Project Budget:</b>      | Not to exceed \$180,000   |
| Semi-Finalists<br>Interview | \$2,500 travel and interview stipend provided to each of the three to four semi-finalists |
| Stipend:                    |   |

The artwork may be an exterior artwork sited in the green space of the historic entrance of the Maryland School for the Deaf or an interior space of one of the new residence halls.



#### Commission A & B

| <b>Client Agency:</b>    | Maryland School for the Deaf<br>Frederick, MD 21701                   |
|--------------------------|---|
| Application<br>Deadline: | Friday, October 25, 2024 (Background info only, no artwork proposals) |



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- Low maintenance



#### **Project Budget & Contracting**

#### **Contract covers:**

- Artist fee and project management
- Community engagement presentations
- Overhead expenses (sub-consultants, travel/lodging, etc.)
- Design development drawings
- Budget and schedule
- Fabrication shop drawings and specifications stamped by a MD licensed enginee
- Artwork materials (including base(s) if applicable), and fabrication\*
- Artwork transportation to site and installation
- Licenses & insurance
- Any and all other costs as required to install the artwork



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#### *Not Eligible:*

- Artists currently enrolled in a university or college degree program
- Employees or appointees of the Maryland State Arts Council, Department of General Services, Maryland School for the Deaf. State
  - Applications from fabricators or foundries without a lead artist identified will not be considered



#### Artist Selection Process Overview

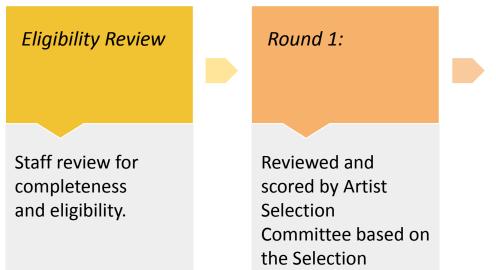


Eligibility Review

Staff review for completeness and eligibility.



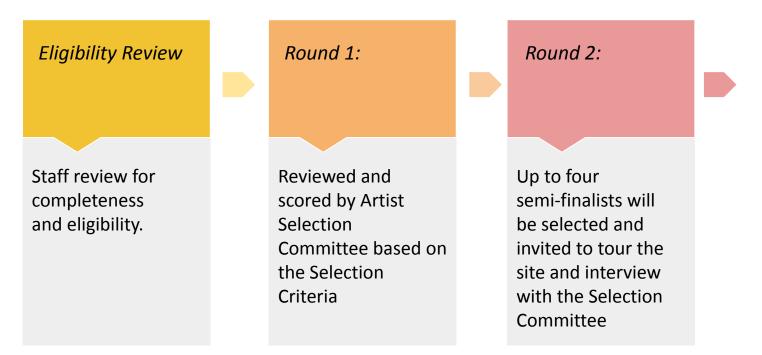
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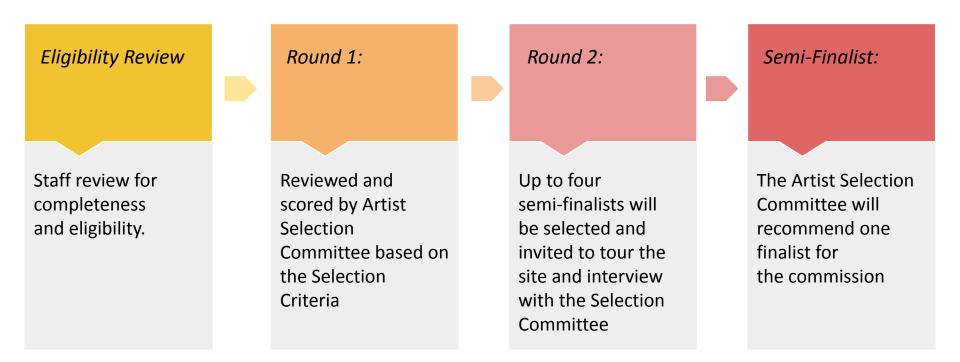


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Eligibility Review

Review by: MSAC Staff

#### Criteria

- Contact information
- Lead artist
- Resume/CV,
- Ten (10) artwork samples
- Statement of interest





*Round* 1 + 2

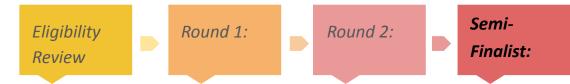
Review by: Artist Selection Committee

#### **Selection Criteria**

**Experience:** Demonstrated experience through past works reflects originality, technical skill, sensitivity to site, and knowledge/experience of materials and fabrication methods suitable for a permanent installation in a public environment.

**Statement of Interest** demonstrates a personal connection to creating an artwork that demonstrates personal experience living in Deaf culture.





#### Semi-

**Finalists** 

Review by: Artist Selection Committee

#### Selection Criteria [1 finalist selected]

- Artist share 10 min. Presentation & Interview w/ Committee
- Examples of past work
- Experience
- Statement of interest
- Site Specificity
- Engagement
- Project Management
- Feasibility
- Durability, Permanence, and Safety
- Questions



#### **Monument Advisory Committee Representation**

- Maryland School for the Deaf
- Building Architecture Firm
- Maryland Public Art Commission



#### How To Apply: Application Requirements:

- Contact information
  - Lead artist
- Resume/CV

Five pages max. If applying as an artist team, combine all into one PDF

#### Ten (10) artwork samples

Must include <u>metadata</u> with <u>all</u> relevant information: one sentence description, scale/dimensions, materials, year completed, artwork budget, location, commissioning organization, etc..., include any collaborators, fabricators...



#### How To Apply: Application Requirements:

Statement of interest

This is an opportunity for the artist or artist team to demonstrate a personal connection to creating an artwork that demonstrates personal experience living in Deaf culture. For the artist to address their personal connection to this particular commission opportunity and why their experience and background align. Include how you will engage the MSD community in your public art design process.







| Qualifications         | 5                                       | Guidelines ~ | Submit |
|------------------------|---|--------------|--------|
| Ends on Fri, Oct 25, 2 | 2024 11:59 PM                           |              |        |
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#### **Project Timeline: Commission A**

| Friday, October 25, 2024  | Applications Due                   |   |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Thursday, February 13*    | Semi-Finalists Interviev           | vs - Commission A                                 |
| March – June 2025         | Commission A, Finalist             | Artist Contract & Procurement Approvals           |
| May - October, 2025       | Design Development - Shop Drawings |   |
| November '25 - August '26 | Fabrication - Installation         |   |
| Fall 2026                 | Dedication                         | *Semi-finalist artists selected must be available |



#### **Project Timeline: Commission B**

| Friday, October 25, 2024  | Applications Due   |
|---------------------------|--|
| Summer 2025               | Semi-Finalists Interviews - Commission B                       |
| Fall 2025                 | Commission B, Finalist Artist Contract & Procurement Approvals |
| Fall '25 - January '26    | Design Development - Shop Drawings                             |
| January '28 - January '29 | Fabrication - Installation                                     |
| Spring 2029               | Dedication   |



# Questions

To download the RFQ document with site plans and link to apply: https://www.msac.org/programs/public-art



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