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Request for Qualifications for Artist Services for the Muscogee Nation Citizen Services Building

About the Citizen Services Building

As a monumental celebration and reflection on the culture of the Mvskoke people, the Citizen Services Building tells the story of past, present, and future generations of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation through geometry, nature, and symbolism.

The mound geometry throughout the interior and exterior of the Citizen Services Building symbolizes the connection to mother earth and serves as a place of remembrance, reverence, and respect. The Tribe is referred to as 'Creek' due to the location of their ancestral homelands along the creeks of Georgia, Alabama, and Southern Tennessee. The tribe's post-removal settlements in Oklahoma are similarly located along bodies of water. These rivers, or 'creeks' represent home for the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. The interior design creates a unique experience that specifically represents the Mvskoke people and their culture by honoring traditional finishes and utilizing natural materials with an emphasis on symbolic Tribal elements. Historically, the Mvskoke people settled upon water, which is reflected through the floor finishes, color scheme, and feature walls on each floor of the building.

Project Description

The Cultural Center and Archives department is seeking the services of Mvskoke artists to produce artwork for the Citizen Services Building. Art will be placed strategically throughout the 4-story building primarily in high-traffic areas that will be utilized by tribal employees, tribal citizens, and guests visiting the building, but will also be placed in areas that are only accessible by tribal employees. The artwork should adhere to the overall theme and character of the Citizen Services Building, which is outlined above in the description of the building. All mediums of artwork will be considered. There is no location requirement as the artist will correspond with the Cultural Center & Archives staff through email and phone and will work remotely. Submission of images does not guarantee purchase.

Qualification Requirements

Please include the following:

- 1. Images of up to Five (5) pieces of artwork that generally relates to the artwork being sought for the Citizen Services Building or a portfolio that is relevant to the project description.
- 2. Please include a copy of your Muscogee (Creek) Nation citizenship card or CDIB card that shows proof of descendancy.
- 3. Images submitted electronically must be clear and include name of artist, year completed, price, dimension, title, and description of piece. If artwork is not accompanied by this information, it will not be accepted for consideration.

Artist Agreement

Chosen artist(s) must agree to release the physical art piece to the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and agree the Nation can only reproduce for educational and informational purposes.

Due Date

Friday, September 27th at 5:00 pm., CST. Late and/or incomplete submissions will not be considered.

Contact

Please email qualifications and any questions to: ShaVon Agee, Program Manager Muscogee (Creek) Nation Cultural Center and Archives artsubmissions@muscogeenation.com or (918)-549-2434