CITY OF VANCOUVER

Public Art: Arts, Culture & Community Services
Vancouver Public Library

Artist Call: Oakridge Community Centre

Summary

Artist Fees: Variable. $15,000 - $35,000
Deadline for application: October 23, 2026, at midnight, PST
Eligibility: Open to xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) Indian Band artists or artist teams

The Opportunity

The Oakridge Community Centre offers three key sites to commission three significant xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) artworks including the central atrium, the Indigenous Contemplation Space, and the library These cultural visibility opportunities are being developed in collaboration between the City of Vancouver Public Art Program, and Vancouver Public Library. Artists or artist teams can apply for more than one opportunity.

THE THREE PUBLIC ART OPPORTUNITIES:

1. ***ATRIUM & CENTRAL STAIRCASE*** ***(click here for detailed Artist Call)***
   Artist Fee: $35,000
   Design + Fabricated Built-Form Artwork
   Application: Expression of Interest (Stage 1) + Shortlisted Artist Design (Stage 2)

2. ***CARVED CEDAR CEREMONIAL DOORS*** ***(click here for detailed Artist Call)***
   Artist Fee: $15,000
   Design-Only
   Application: Expression of Interest (Stage 1)

3. ***LIBRARY INTERIOR COLUMN*** ***(click here for detailed Artist Call)***
   Artist Fee: $15,000
   Design-Only
   Application: Expression of Interest (Stage 1)

Eligibility

This call is open for xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) Indian Band artists or artist teams.

For the purposes of this call, the definition of an artist is a regular practitioner who:

- has completed basic academic training in art or an apprenticeship with an accomplished practitioner in the field, or
- maintains an artistic practice and has publicly shared an independent body of their work for at least two years, or
- is recognized as an artist by arts and culture peers within their community

Submitted Applications will be checked for eligibility and completeness by City Staff in collaboration with Musqueam Indian Band staff, with qualifying applications moving forward to the selection panel for adjudication.

Send Submissions To/Contact for Questions

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Subject Line: Oakridge Public Art