CALL FOR ARTISTS – REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Town of Montague Water Pollution Control Facility Release Date: September 20, 2021 Deadline: October 25, 2021 Contact: Chelsey Little, Superintendent wpcf.supt@montague-ma.gov (413) 773-8865/ www.montague-ma.gov

Description

The Montague Water Pollution Control Facility works to protect the health of both the public and the environment by producing clean outgoing water from the facility into Connecticut River.

The Montague Waste Water Facility is seeking an artist, or a group of artists, to design and paint a 10 foot circular mural for installation on their building, located at 34 Greenfield Road, Montague, MA.

The intent of the mural is to highlight water ecology, our interdependence with the aquatic ecosystem and the environment more generally, and the local wildlife of the Connecticut River Watershed including plants, birds, fish and other animals.

Budget and Scope

Compensation for the mural is \$2500 which includes all design, labor, painting and travel to and from the site. The Montague Water Pollution Control Facility (MWPCF) will also reimburse the artist for the reasonable cost of materials, including exterior paint and top coat materials. An estimate of material costs should be submitted with the proposal.

Artists may apply as individuals, or as a group of artists submitting a collaborative proposal. Artists wishing to apply as a team should appoint one (1) person to be the main contact for the project, delegation of project duties, and distribution of funds to team members.

The mural will be painted on a 10 foot aluminum circle created by the MWPCF. The circle will be preprimed and fabricated as two semi-circles. The artist can complete the mural off- site, or accommodations can be made for the artist to paint inside a Town owned work-space. Installation of the finished mural is the responsibility of the MWPCF.

The design cannot include logos, copyrighted or trademarked images, or be a form of signage or advertising in any way.

The final mural must include all details outlined in the proposal. The MWCF retains all rights to the final design.

The MWPCF maintains the right to keep the mural in place, paint over, or replace the mural at any time. The MWPCF maintains the right not to make an award if applications are deemed unacceptable.

Timeline

September 16, 2021: Release Date Call for Artist October 25, 2021: Submission Deadline November 5, 2021: Selection Notification November-January 2022: Painting February- March 2022: Installation Public art opening event T.B.A.

Required Documents

Each item listed below should be a separate page or pdf file Artist resume or artist statement. Contact information including land and email address, phone and email. Color sketch(s) of the proposed design. Material list with approximate costs. 4-6 images of completed past work. Two professional references: statements related to mural installation and/or public art commissions are especially appropriate.

Submit proposal packets via email to <u>wpcf.supt@montague-ma.gov</u> Or mailed/ delivered by **3pm on Monday, October 25** to: The Montague Water Pollution Control Facility 34 Greenfield Road Montague, MA 01351

Selection Process

The Selection Committee will consist of members of the Montague Water Pollution Control Facility, the Director of RiverCulture, and neighborhood residents.

The winner will be selected based on the completeness of the packet documents, the quality of design, how well the design reflects the stated theme, and the artists' demonstrated ability to complete the scope of work.

