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City of Campbell River looking for innovative public art proposals

Calling all artists with great ideas for public art in Campbell River. The City of Campbell River is seeking public art proposals from artists and artist teams this November.

“With this call to artists for public art proposals, the City is seeking suggestions to help incorporate art into everyday life,” says Lynn Wark, the City’s recreation and culture manager. *“The City wants to cultivate even more vibrant, visually exciting and identifiable spaces in the community, and this call is an opportunity to suggest public art in any part or neighbourhood of Campbell River.”*

Artists and artist teams working in a wide range of media, permanent or temporary, are encouraged to apply with proposals that address the following goals:

- Have public art viewed as a valuable contributor to the economic, social and cultural development of Campbell River. Encourage local tourism and create signature features for international guests.
- Incorporate public art into the design of selected civic and private developments. Encourage partnerships between creative professionals, community groups, social development programs, artists, children and other cultural groups.
- Foster community engagement in public spaces through storytelling, music, sound, performance, dance, literature, spoken word, new media and fine art.

Possible project categories:

1. **Community Based** – Collaborative, collective art making that integrates professional artists into community groups or processes.
2. **Special Projects (Permanent and Temporary)** – Explore creating art through residencies, new media, interactive, video and sound-based works.
3. **Permanent Site-Specific Projects** – Artwork designed for permanent installation in a specific community location to act as a point of interest for local residents and visitors.

The City encourage all cultures and sectors of the community to apply. Decisions related to public art projects will be approved by Mayor and Council.

Find more information on this public art call at campbellriverpublicart.ca. Submit a proposal to arts.council@crarts.ca. Deadline for submissions is 4 p.m. Nov. 30.

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