

INDIGENOUS ARTISTS

CALL FOR ARTISTS

REFLECTIONS OF OUR COMMUNITIES

PROJECT GOALS:

- Recognize and strengthen the role of Indigenous artists in our communities
- Bring Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities together
- Increase Local Nations' cultural presence within recreation spaces accessed by the community
- To strengthen community connections and celebrate the Westshore communities diversity

PROJECT LOCATION

Juan de Fuca Childcare Centre (1767 Island Highway)

1. **West Shore Room** (Room Description: Meeting space, quiet room for children and multipurpose space)

West Shore Parks & Recreation is located on the traditional territories of the Lekwungen People of the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations.

West Shore Parks & Recreation invites expressions of interest from emerging and established Indigenous artists to design a piece of artwork to be displayed in our new Juan de Fuca Childcare Centre.

The artwork will be displayed in the new West Shore Room. This artwork will enhance and provide vibrancy to the new space reflecting our community in a culturally inclusive way using the Vision and Theme to move, learn and play for life.

One artist will be selected for this project.

DEADLINE to apply is April 1, 2022, 5:00PM

PROJECT PARAMETERS

In a one page outline describe the project meeting the following project parameters (See How to Apply Section):

- Indigenous Artwork design inspired by the vision, theme, identified in the call for artists description above that are reflective of the project goals.
- Artwork composed of materials that can withstand a busy childcare and public recreational setting.
- Artwork visuals appropriate for a childcare and public recreational setting.
- Dimension: Max height 32 inches Max width 48 inches.
- Artwork must be completed by May 31, 2022.
- Artwork must provide hardware for mounting. WSPRS will do the installation.
- Artists are invited to be present at the June 16, 2022 WSPRS Board of Directors Annual General Meeting to introduce their artwork.
- Artwork will be dismantled/recycled or returned to the artists by WSPRS 5 years from installation date or earlier if artwork deteriorates.
- WSPRS will not be responsible for any costs associated with damage and/or theft of artwork.

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ELIGIBILITY

This opportunity is open to artists who demonstrate the following:

- Must be creations or collaborations led by an emerging and/or established Indigenous artist who represent local Indigenous culture through art.
- Are able to meet the deadlines and work within the honorarium noted below.
- Have an understanding of the vision, theme and call for artists description as noted above.

HONORARIUM

A \$500 honorarium will be provided to the successful artist. This honorarium is inclusive of all artist fees, materials, studio overhead, framework fabrication, brackets or other accessories for installation, travel, transportation, and all taxes

HOW TO APPLY

Artists are asked to submit the information listed below as a single PDF format file via email to llehive@westshorerecreation.ca by April 1, 2022, 5:00PM. Please use "Indigenous Art Project Artist Submission – West Shore Room" as your subject line.

- **Letter of Interest.** No longer than 1 page. Include the community that you reside in or own a business in, and your connection to the Westshore.
- **1 page outline** of the conceptual approach to this project, including vision, theme and connection to space, materials to be used, and title of artwork
- **Artist Resume or CV**
- **Images** - Up to 5 examples of previously completed artwork. Please include title, year, size, location and medium, and other brief information you wish to communicate about the artwork.

*If you would like to view the space, prior to submitting your application, please contact the "Project Contact" listed below to set up a meeting..

SELECTION PROCESS

A Selection Committee made up of WSPRS staff and community representatives who are Indigenous and non- indigenous will review all submissions and make the selection based on the alignment of the artist's vision, theme and connection to the space. If no submission warrants consideration, the Selection Committee reserves the right not to award the honorarium.

TIMELINE

Submission Deadline:	April 1, 2022, 5:00PM
Artist(s) Selection Notification:	April 26, 2022
Artwork to be completed:	By May 31, 2022
Unveiling:	June 16, 2022

PROJECT CONTACT

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