

**CALL TO ARTISTS
STORM DRAIN ART
A PUBLIC ART OPPORTUNITY**

EXTENDED DEADLINE UPDATE: DUE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023 by 12:00 p.m.

REQUEST FOR DESIGN PROPOSALS

The City of Lodi is seeking bold and original designs that call attention to the waterways, reducing pollution and protecting our local eco system while beautifying our downtown landscape. This pilot project artwork will be displayed on three (3) storm drains in high traffic areas in downtown Lodi, as determined by the City of Lodi.

ELIGIBILITY

Open to all practicing professional and emerging artists and design teams residing in Lodi and surrounding areas.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City of Lodi, with input from the Lodi Arts Commission (LAC), will select bold and original artwork to be painted on three different storm drains in downtown Lodi. The City of Lodi has developed a Stormwater Management Program committed to protecting our rivers and the Delta. Check out the City's website at www.lodi.gov/480//Storm-Water-and-Lodis-Watershed.

The purpose of the Storm Drain Art is to draw attention to the storm drain system and to educate the public on the connection between storm water runoff to the Mokelumne River, Lodi Lake or one of the Woodbridge Irrigation canals. These paintings are intended to attract the public's attention to the storm drains using bold and creative art.

GUIDELINES

- The art is to be painted on the metal storm drain cover and surrounding sidewalk, using special paint supplied by the City of Lodi Public Works Department on Saturday, April 15, 2023, World Art Day.
- The art will be on a flat surface that incorporates the storm drain and the adjacent sidewalk. Paint may not be applied to the vertical edge of the sidewalk or to the road itself. Dimensions may not exceed 20 square feet.
- Clear base coat and sealer coats will be applied by the City of Lodi.
- Artists will supply brushes, rollers, knee pads, mixing cups, water for cleaning brushes.
- Lodi Arts Commission and Lodi Public Works will provide road safety equipment, sandbags, and tents for shade during painting.
- Each site will be power-washed and painted with bonding primer before the artwork is applied.
- Five colors of paint to be used for the artwork will be supplied, white, black, red, blue, and yellow; artists will mix all paint colors using these basic colors.
- Lodi Public Works will prepare the painting sites with power washing, bonding primer paint.
- The project will be funded by Art in Public Places, a subcommittee of the Lodi Arts Commission.
- Artists whose work will be selected will be paid \$300 upon completion of painting the artwork.

SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

- Artwork design must be submitted as a JPEG, GIF or PDF. Must be able to fit on a printed 8 1/2" x 11" paper.
- Explanation and proposal should be typed in plain 12-point font.

- Statement that artist is available to paint on Saturday, April 15, 2023 ONLY.
- A single-page Artist’s statement of interest noting relevant experience with similar projects and your conceptual approach for your process in the design.
- A resume with artist’s address, phone number and email, detailing locations of your previous public art projects.
- Copies of relevant reviews or news clippings of work.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- A complete design proposal with all item listed in the [Submission Checklist](#)
- Artistic excellence and originality as evidenced by the design and proposal documentation.

AWARD OF CONTRACT

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all submittals, to alter or postpone the selection process in any way for its own convenience at any time, and to waive any defects in the proposals. Work submitted by Artist must be original in content under this Call to Artists.

Each artist submitting a proposal in response to this Call acknowledges and agrees that the preparation of materials for submittal to the City and all expenses for presentations, travel and related costs are at the candidate’s sole expense and that the City shall not, under any circumstances, be responsible for any cost or expense incurred by the candidate. In addition, each candidate acknowledges and agrees that all of the documentation, concepts and materials submitted with the Call shall remain the property of the City.

This process shall in no way be deemed to create a Binding Contract or Agreement of any kind between the City and The Artist. Award of a contract is contingent upon the selection panel recommendation to the City Council and at the sole discretion of the City.

PROJECT DESIGN BUDGET

\$300.00 per storm drain will be paid to selected artists, to be paid in two installments of \$150.00. Payment one will be issued after artist selection is made and payment two will be issued after completion of work.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

The Artist may be asked, at the City’s discretion, to perform additional tasks beyond those in the scope of this Call to Artists.

SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO:

Design proposals may be hand-delivered or mailed no later than 12pm on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 to:
Hutchins Street Square
125 S. Hutchins Street
Lodi, CA 95240
Attn: Tamatha Litfin

Artists are encouraged to email complete design proposals to Tamatha Litfin, Recreation Coordinator, tlitfin@lodi.com. Label email, “Call to Artist – Storm Drain Art”

Incomplete proposals will not be accepted. Regretfully, the City of Lodi cannot be responsible for lost, missing or damaged designs and/or supporting materials.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information about Lodi, visit our city’s website at: www.lodi.gov

If you have any questions, please call Tamatha Litfin at (209) 333-6800 ext. 2458 or e-mail at tlitfin@lodi.gov.