

May 15, 2021 – April 2022

## **Call for Artists**

Submission Deadline: November 2, 2020m 5:00 PM

## 2021 CityArt Walking Sculpture Tour Celebrates 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

The *CityArt Walking Sculpture Tour* is an exciting exhibition of outdoor sculpture displayed in the heart of downtown Mankato and North Mankato. Each year the CityArt sculpture exhibition draws thousands of community members and visitors to explore the wonderful art, making the Greater Mankato arts community well regarded around the state. Founded in 2011, the CityArt Walking Sculpture Tour program will celebrate its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2021!

The sculpture tour is a collaborative program between Twin Rivers (TR), Greater Mankato's arts commission, and the City Center Partnership (CCP), a downtown development organization representing Mankato and North Mankato. Both organizations are committed to creating a vibrant community through arts and culture programming.

Since its inception in 2011, CityArt has added 24 sculptures to the city's permanent public art collection and sold many sculptures to private businesses and individuals. Additionally, multiple artists have received commissions because of the exposure received from the program.

CityArt is a member of the *Partner Network,* a sculpture exchange program based out of Sioux Falls, SD. For more information on the *CityArt Walking Sculpture Tour*, visit cityartmankato.com.

## What sets CityArt apart?

The *CityArt Walking Sculpture Tour* is managed by the CityArt Committee and is supported by full time staff from both TR and the CCP ensuring there is timely and clear communication between the program and the artists. The staff work year-round promoting the sculpture walk and the artists to facilitate sales and make Greater Mankato an arts destination.

Teams of volunteers give of their time for take-down and installation making the process smooth and efficient. There is a strong partnership between the CityArt program and the cities of Mankato and North Mankato. Each city provides staff and needed equipment to assist our teams during take-down and install. As an artist, you can rest assured that your sculpture will be well managed and taken care of.

The CityArt installation weekend is full of fun, artistic events to make our artists feel welcomed by the community and appreciated for sharing their talents with us.

#### **How it Works**

The 2021 CityArt Walking Sculpture Tour will include approximately 25 sculptures in the core blocks of Mankato and North Mankato, MN. CityArt obtains sculptures on loan from selected artists and provides each artist \$1,000 stipend per sculpture. The sculptures are displayed for about one year (May to April).

## **Artist Stipend**

\$1,000 per sculpture

<u>Shipping Reimbursement:</u> Artists will receive up to \$250 in shipping reimbursement if their sculpture is not sold and needs to be shipped back to them at the end of the tour. Anything over and above this amount is paid by the artist.

#### **Awards**

## **Juror's Choice Award**

The Juror's Choice sculpture (the sculpture selected by the CityArt Committee Jury) is purchased by the CityArt program (up to \$15,000) for permanent installation in the CityCenter.

#### **Other Awards**

Best of Show Bronze - \$1,000 Best of Show Other Material - \$1,000 People's Choice - \$1,000

## **Accommodations and 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations**

Artists will be provided a two-night hotel stay during installation weekend in May. Throughout the weekend we will be celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of CityArt with several special events including a Sponsor/Artist reception as well as special honors and recognitions for sponsors and artists who have participated in the CityArt program since the early years. \*

\*Note: Accommodations and celebration events may be changed, postponed or cancelled due to the status of the Covid pandemic and public health concerns and regulations.

## **Sculpture Selection**

Entries will be critiqued on artistic merit, creativity, public safety, and durability in an outdoor, cold weather climate. The CityArt Committee made up of representatives from TR, CCP, the city of Mankato and North Mankato and local business and art leaders, lead the selection process. All artists will be notified by December 13, 2020.

## **Artist Call for Entries**

CityArt is open to professional and amateur artists of all backgrounds. Artists may submit up to three (3) of their own original sculptures (in concept, composition, or execution). The total entry fee is \$35.00. We welcome all sculptures and asking prices.

## Other Information

- CityArt provides liability and Inland Marine (collision and comprehensive) insurance coverage on all sculptures while on display.
- CityArt provides installation and volunteer support during installation weekend in May and during take down in April.
- CityArt receives 25% commission on sculptures sold and on any commissioned sculpture.
- If a selected artist declines to include his/her work in CityArt, an alternative artist will be selected.

## **Timeline**

November 2, 2020 Entry postmark deadline

December 14, 2020 Notification of selection results

May 1, 2021 Deadline for sculptures being shipped to Mankato May 14, 2021 Mankato sculpture delivery & Artist Reception

May 15, 2021 Installation & Sponsor/Artist Event featuring recognitions + honors

November 15, 2021 Juror's Choice and People's Choice Awards announcement

For more information contact: 507-387-1008 / info@twinriversarts.org



# CityArt Walking Sculpture Tour 2021 Call for Artist Entry Form

SUBMIT ALL REQUESTED MATERIALS, ENTRY FEE AND ENTRY FORM BY NOVEMBER 2, 2020

Questions? Contact: Kathy Kerekes, Program Coordinator, 507-387-1008 / info@twinriversarts.org.

Print completed entry form and include \$35.00 entry fee. Checks should be addressed to "CityArt LLC" (please note that the remittance name has changed from previous sculpture tours). Mail completed form and entry fee to: Twin Rivers, c/o CityArt, PO Box 293, Mankato, MN 56002.

Pay by credit card at: <a href="http://www.twinriversarts.org/application-fee-payments">http://www.twinriversarts.org/application-fee-payments</a> (Click "Fee Payment")				
Name	Email	 I		
Address				
Home phone	Cell phone	Website (if applicable)		

## 2021 Sculpture Entries (No more than three entries can be submitted)

NAME OF SCULPTURE	MATERIAL	DIMENSIONS (H x W x D)	WEIGHT	PRICE
1				
2				
3				

*I am willing to sell my sculpture for up to \$15,000 if it wins the Juror's Choice Award (check one):			
Yes	_ No	(You can maintain the public selling price and participate in the Juror's Choice Award	
compe	tition.)		

Submit below information via email to Kathy Kerekes at: info@twinriversarts.org.

- Two high quality color photos or photos of scale model(s) front and back of each sculpture entry (jpg format).
- At least two samples of previous sculptures (jpg format).
- Artist Statement explaining the sculpture(s) (pdf format).
- Artist biography and resume (pdf format).