



CALL FOR ART BIG ROCK GARDEN Sculpture Exhibition

Big Rock Garden Park
Bellingham, Washington

Big Rock Garden Park in Bellingham, Washington is a beautiful 2.5 acre botanical garden that is designated as the City sculpture park. The exhibit will be widely advertised and promoted as one of the premier sculpture venues in the Pacific Northwest. Big Rock Garden Park is listed in numerous Pacific Northwest guidebooks. Bellingham is located between Seattle, Washington and Vancouver, BC, Canada. Tourists visit from around the world. The goal of the annual exhibit is to showcase sculpture for placement in intimate public spaces or private gardens.

IMPORTANT DATES

September 1, 2007 – March 1, 2008: Slides or CD's must arrive at the Bellingham Parks and Recreation Office, 3424 Meridian Street, Bellingham WA 98225, by March 1. No e-mail submissions will be accepted. CD images need to be a jpeg file with a minimum 300 dpi resolution. Material received earlier might be used for publicity purposes. It is in the artist's best interest to get their slides or CD in as early as possible.

March 28, 2008: Decision of a Professional Jury will be mailed to artists. Artists selected to exhibit will receive a stipend of \$250, once the piece is in place at Big Rock Garden Park.

May 11, 2008 (Mother's Day): Official opening of the exhibit and artists' reception will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The garden will be in full bloom. Music and refreshments will be provided. Upwards of 1,000 people attend this annual garden party.

Show runs May 11, 2008 – September 30, 2008

Questions?

Contact: Bellingham Parks & Recreation
3424 Meridian
Bellingham, WA 98225
(360) 676-6985

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CALL FOR SCULPTURE**



-Prospectus-

1. Entry is open to all sculptors.
2. Jurying will be by slide and CD only. The City of Bellingham shall not be responsible for the damage, theft or loss of slides; however, a conscious effort shall be made to return all slides in good condition. Please enclose a SASE for the return of the slides or CD's.
3. The sponsors may reject any piece that differs markedly from the work depicted on the entry image.
4. Quality artistic content is the primary consideration for acceptance. Jurying criteria is based on quality of expression, craftsmanship, appearance, maintenance, safety and security. All works of art must be structurally sound, made of durable materials appropriate for extended display in a public outdoor space and be securely anchored to eliminate potential theft. There is no size limit, however scale is an issue. Sculpture should be an appropriate size for a garden setting. Smaller sculptures are acceptable only if adequately secured to a substantial base. Artists are responsible for solving structural, installation and presentation problems.
5. Each entry must be accompanied by a one-page (8 ½ x 11) diagram and description of the installation process, a description of the artwork and pedestal (if required).
6. All sculptures must be original creations of the artist.
7. All works will be considered for sale unless indicated as NFS. When a piece sells, a commission of 30% of the retail price will be retained by Big Rock Garden Committee park maintenance and preservation.
8. If a pedestal is needed for presentation, it must accompany the sculpture.
9. Artists are responsible for transportation of accepted artwork to and from Big Rock Garden Park.
10. Artists are responsible for installing and removing their piece(s) from Big Rock Garden Park.
11. Accepted artwork is to be delivered and installed by the artist or their representatives only at sites designated by the Big Rock Garden Committee.
12. An entry can be a single item or a grouping.
13. While the sculpture is at Big Rock Garden Park, during the dates of the exhibition, the work will be insured for property loss (theft or vandalism) at the 70% of the retail price by the City of Bellingham.
14. Prices may not be adjusted during the period of exhibition, and the work selected must remain in the exhibit until it closes.
15. Application and acceptance into this exhibition by the artist presumes the artist's agreement to the rules laid forth within this prospectus.
16. If selected for exhibition, each artist will be required to send in an artist's biography, a conceptual description of each accepted sculpture and price in U.S. funds.

Entry Procedures:

Since jurying will be done by slide and CD only, the quality of your entries is of utmost importance. Details and or multiple views are strongly encouraged.

1. Slide and CD entries must arrive in our office by 5:00 PM, Friday March 2, 2007. No e-mail submissions will be accepted.
2. Each artist may submit (3) entries. Two (2) additional detail images per piece are acceptable. All images must be slides or electronic images on CD's at 300dpi minimum as jpeg files. All slides must be 35mm, in cardboard or plastic mounts. Hold the slide so you see the image correctly. The side facing you is the front of the slide. Mark the front of each slide with the artist's name, dimensions, arrow indicating top, and number of entry corresponding with number on the entry form.
3. When a piece sells, the artist will receive 70% of the retail price in US funds.
4. Slides and CD's of accepted work may be held until the closing of the show and may be used for publicity purposes.
5. Include an **Installation Plan** for securing piece in the garden.

Address: Big Rock Garden Sculpture Exhibition
 Bellingham Park and Recreation Department
 1400 Woburn Street
 Bellingham, WA 98229



Entry Form

Total # of slides enclosed _____

Artist's Name _____ Phone(_____) _____

Address _____

City: _____ State/Province _____ Country _____ Zip _____

E-mail: _____ Web page: _____ FAX: _____

Place slides in clear plastic sheet(s). Mark slides or CD's with name, corresponding entry number, indicate top of slide and dimensions. Clearly mark detail slide(s).

1. #of images _____ including details

Title _____

Dimensions _____

Medium _____

Retail Price _____

2. #of images _____ including details

Title _____

Dimensions _____

Medium _____

Retail Price _____

3. #of images _____ including details

Title _____

Dimensions _____

Medium _____

Retail Price _____

Artist Check List :

- Completed entry form
- Labeled slides or CD
- Installation plan
- Enclosed SASE for return of slides or CD's

For official use only

- Installation plan _____
- Date Received _____
- SASE _____