



Cultural Arts Commission

Call for Iconic Art Installation

City of Bastrop



Deadline to submit: June 30th, 2023 at 5pm

"Birds of Bastrop" Project

The Bastrop Cultural Arts Commission is launching a new project to create iconic public art in Bastrop. This project will help enhance the creative and artistic landscape in the community, and help establish Bastrop as a cultural arts destination. The Commission is seeking project ideas from independent artists, related to Bastrop's recent designation as a Bird City.

In 2020 Texas Parks and Wildlife declared Bastrop a "Bird City Texas Certified Community", providing habitat and protection for native and migratory birds.

This iconic art project, *Birds of Bastrop*, needs to reflect and celebrate our new identity as a Bird City. Depictions, whether realistic, expressionistic, symbolic or abstract, are required to include native bird species, or those species that migrate through the Bastrop area. Other elements are welcome in the imagery, but 80% of the image must contain these bird requirements.

Please read the following information and criteria carefully. Applications must be complete and projects must follow all guidelines for acceptance and consideration.

2023 Call for Entries

You are invited to submit your proposal to be displayed in a public space. The following criteria are required:

1. The iconic art project must depict native or migratory birds of Central Texas, as 80% of the overall design. The remaining 20% may contain other elements.
2. This project can be in any medium including, but not limited to: painting, mixed media, ceramics, stone, metal, glass, etc. No reproductions of original art will be accepted. No copywritten logos or advertisements may be included.
3. The call is open to all artists without geographic distinctions or restrictions.
4. Each artist may submit **up to 3 images** of the proposed original art for consideration. A high-resolution digital image of at least 300 dpi and 5x7 size is required to be juried, as well as, for use in marketing collateral to include but not limited to: website, social media and print from the City of Bastrop. Please note that the quality of the photograph can influence the jury process. Artists may also submit prior work examples and attach references such as websites or social media accounts. No substitutions will be allowed after the juried process has been completed. Send all images, including an artist's photo by email listed below.
5. Upon artist selection and design approval, the project will begin production. Selection will be done by jurying process by members of the Iconic Art Subcommittee of the Cultural Arts Commission for final decision. Compensation will include a budget of \$25,000* which includes design, supplies and labor for the project. The selected artist will also be recognized at an appreciation event, the date of which is to be determined.

**Funds are determined by Bastrop City Council; amounts may vary based on added contributions.*
6. The artist selected to exhibit will be required to sign an Artist's Agreement with the City of Bastrop that will detail the rights and responsibilities of all parties related to staging, installation, security, materials, liability and removal, etc.

Design Limitations

All project submissions must be “family appropriate” and pose no risk to public safety; nothing of sexual, violent, or political nature shall be accepted. No advertisements or copywritten material is allowed, however, the Artist may incorporate his/her signature into the design.

Project supplies and submissions must be compatible with outdoor elements by using materials impervious to UV and weather deterioration.

At this time, there is no size limitation on the project. Upon acceptance, a representative from the Iconic Art Committee will communicate sizing limitations, once a site is approved by Bastrop City Council.

2023 Exhibition Schedule

June 30th, 2023:	Submission Deadline/Confirmations of receipt of submissions
July 15th, 2023:	Notification of Acceptance
July 25, 2023:	Paperwork completion (W-9 and contract)
August 1st, 2023	Payment for supplies issued to artist
August 1st, 2023	Project begins

Submit your applications to: Send applications by email with images to cbutts@cityofbastrop.org or mail to Candice Butts, 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, TX 78602 with images on a CD or flash drive.

For questions, contact Chloe Brevelle at the Lost Pines Art Center, at 512-321-8055, or email: chloe@lostpinesartcenter.org.

Iconic Art Project 2023 Artist and Entry Information

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: Home () _____ Cell () _____

Email: _____ Fax: () _____

Social Media Account Handle: _____

Website: _____

Title #1: _____

Materials: _____

Estimate Price Summary: _____

Height: _____ Width: _____

Estimated Date of Completion: _____

Artist Explanation/Details: _____

Title #2: _____

Materials: _____

Estimate Price Summary: _____

Height: _____ Width: _____

Estimated Date of Completion: _____

Artist Explanation/Details: _____
