

# ARTIST CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: McCall Public Library Integrated Artwork

**Deadline: 12:00 Noon MST  
Tuesday, January 18, 2022**

Email applications to:  
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Subject: McCall Library  
Integrated Artwork

**Questions:**

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**Budget: \$60,000**



*McCall's public library building design offers many opportunities to create artwork that provides a unique and integral part of the newly expanded facility.*

**Project Scope:**

The City of McCall is seeking an artist or team of artists to...

1. Collaborate with the city staff, project designers, and community representatives to identify opportunities within the McCall Library Expansion Project for integrated and/or functional artwork; and
2. Develop not less than three unique public art design concepts for identified artwork opportunities; and
3. Engage the community in selection of the preferred artwork design; and
4. Fabricate and install, with quality workmanship and timeliness, not less than one chosen public art project within the new Library facility.

The artwork should:

- Complement and celebrate the function and mission of the McCall Public Library; and
- Be an integrated and/or functional aspect of the new Library facility design; and
- Be durable, low maintenance, and appropriate for its setting.

The McCall Library Expansion Project design (see page 3) offers a wide variety of integrated and/or functional public art opportunities, including, but not limited to, artwork that is:

- Incorporated into flooring, doors, windows, stairways, and/or ceiling or wall finishes
- Functional elements such as light fixtures, book cases, customer service desk, etc.

**Eligibility:**

This public art opportunity is open to artists and artist-teams, age 18 and over, living within Idaho or within a contiguous state (Oregon, Washington, Montana, Wyoming, Utah or Nevada). Artists living elsewhere that have a demonstrated connection to McCall will also be considered.

**Budget:**

The budget for this project is **\$60,000**. This is a not-to-exceed amount and covers all costs associated with the process to identify and prioritize integrated public art opportunities within the upcoming McCall Public Library Expansion Project, develop at least three distinct public art design concepts to be vetted through community input (not to exceed 5% of the total budget), and all costs associated with public art project implementation including, but not limited to: artist/consultant fees, travel, insurance, materials, fabrication, site preparation, installation of the work, and title plaque (95% of total budget).

## Call to Artists — McCall Public Library Integrated Artwork

### How to Apply:

This Call to Artists is a request for qualifications (RFQ). Interested artists must submit the following by 12:00 Noon MST, Tuesday, January 18, 2022:

1. Letter of interest (no more than one page) addressing how you envision public art contributing to a rural public library and your related experience planning and executing public art projects that are integrated components of a facility construction project.
2. Resume (no more than one page) summarizing qualifications and/or past experience. If submitting as a team, a resume should be submitted for each team member.
3. References. A list of at least two professional references that have knowledge of the artist's work and working methods. References of potential finalists will be contacted.
4. Fifteen (15) images of past completed artwork. If submitting as a team, the total number of submitted images is limited to fifteen (15) but should provide examples of each team members' work.
5. Annotated list of all submitted images with title, medium, dimensions, and year completed.

Submit the above materials as one complete electronic .PDF file. Applications attached to emails must be reduced to a size of 7M or less. Alternatively, a file share program can be used with a document link emailed by the deadline.

### Selection Process:

A selection committee consisting of representatives from the McCall Public Art Advisory Committee, McCall Library Board, professional artists and the community at-large will review all RFQ submissions and select an artist or artist-team to recommend to the McCall City Council for contracting. The selection committee may, or may not, elect to interview (via video conference) one or more artists during the selection process. Selection criteria used will include:

- Artistic Quality (60 points): demonstrated by quality and cohesiveness of the body of past work; and
- Ability to Complete Project (30 points): demonstrated by relevance and experience of past community engagement, integrated public art design, and collaborative project implementation as described in the letter of interest, submitted resume and by listed references; and
- Organization/Presentation (10 points): demonstrated by the presentation, timeliness and clarity of the application materials.

The selected artist will work with city staff, designers and construction contractors to identify opportunities and future locations for public artwork within the McCall Library Expansion Project (see site information on next page). The artist will then develop and submit not less than three artwork design proposals including concept, materials, size, and installation strategy. The proposals will be exhibited at a public venue, on the City of McCall web site, and distributed electronically for a minimum of three weeks to gain community input. The selection committee will meet again in the early 2023 to select the final proposal for fabrication and installation in concert with the construction of the Library facility.

### Anticipated Timeline:

January 18, 2022:	Applications due by email delivery
February, 2022	Selection committee recommends finalist artist(s)
April, 2022	McCall City Council approves artist contract
Summer, 2022:	Artist works with design team and stakeholders to identify public art opportunities within the new Library facility design
Fall, 2022:	Artist creates three or more artwork design proposals
Winter, 2022/23:	Community engaged selection of final proposal(s)
Summer/Fall, 2023	Artwork fabrication/installation

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### Site Information:

In 2022, the City of McCall and the McCall Library Board will break ground on a 12,000 sq. ft. expansion of its existing undersized and aging library building. Site work for the project is expected in 2022 and building construction in 2023. Once complete, the expanded McCall Public Library will include:

- Children's Library featuring an activity area and a designated space for story-time readings
- Large storefront windows to the north with dramatic views of Payette Lake
- Maker's space for STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) education
- Display space for an expanded collection of books, technology, and exhibitions, as well as space for community programs
- Young adult area providing a quiet place just for adolescents
- Spacious staff work area and service desk adjacent to the Children's Library and the main entry
- Upstairs adult collections, fireside reading area, and study rooms
- The Idaho Room dedicated to preserving and sharing local history
- Community Hall providing meeting space for citizen groups, City committees and McCall City Council.

### More information:

- Video walk through of McCall Library Expansion Project: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BE\\_DuwkZKmU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BE_DuwkZKmU)
- McCall Public Library Expansion Project: <https://www.mccall.id.us/LibraryDesignPhotos>
- McCall's Public Art Collection: <https://www.mccall.id.us/public-art>
- History of McCall: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5OucVlssIWU>
- Things to do/places to stay in McCall: [visitmccall.org](http://visitmccall.org)



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