

# Wintergreen Townhomes

## *Call to Artists*

**Program Name & Location:** Wintergreen Townhomes, Bainbridge Island, Washington

**Sponsors:** Arts and Humanities Bainbridge (AHB), Bainbridge Public Art Committee (PAC) and the City of Bainbridge Island (COBI)

**Honoraria:** \$30,000 divided between up to 5 selected Artists for up to 5 different pieces

**Eligibility:** Open to all local artists - **Regional (Washington)**

**Application (Electronic) Deadline:** Mar 15 - May 31, 2023

### **Project Description:**

An opportunity to have public art permanently placed in the private townhome community located at Wintergreen Lane and High School Road. Art will be positioned outdoors, within the community in high visibility areas such as the entrance and Wintergreen Lane median. Other possible locations include the common greens in the west and east sections of the community.

Selected works remain on display indefinitely.

Arts Humanities Bainbridge and its Public Art Committee, a sub-committee of Arts Humanities Bainbridge, has contracted with Wintergreen Townhomes as the program manager facilitating the above commissions.

### *About Wintergreen:*

Wintergreen aims to provide 73 much-needed local housing units aimed at low and moderate income range Islanders. Of those 73 units, 31 of them will be income-qualified affordable housing units – available only to households making 80% or less of Area Median Income. This is generally \$40,000-82,000 depending on household size. Contact HRB for more information.

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### **Exhibition Guidelines:**

Artwork concept, design and costs must be included with the submission. Or submission can be a previously completed piece of art with images provided.

Artwork must be of suitable scale for outdoor public art and be of high artistic quality.

Artwork must require only minimal maintenance, if any, and be able to withstand the effects of weather, be as resistant as possible to vandalism, be able to withstand pedestrian contact, and not impede pedestrian and/or vehicular traffic passing by.

If the work is selected, each Artist will be required to submit detailed information relating to the proposed anchoring method and maintenance guidelines

It is the Artist's responsibility to deliver and **oversee installation of** their artwork in Sept-Oct of 2023. Artwork cannot be shipped as there is no available storage space or staff available for this purpose.

#### **Benefits:**

- A budget of \$30,000.00 commission for selected Artist(s)
- Marketing and PR to include a feature on Currents, hosted by AHB as well as in local community publications
- Featured in the Opening Reception events in September of 2023 and promoted by Bainbridge Downtown Association First Friday Downtown Art Walk/Moonlight Market. (public / social gatherings permitted)

#### **Timeline:**

Oct 2022	Site Tour
Mar 15	Release Request for Proposals to Artists
Apr 1-20	Art jury selection
May 12	Close RFP period
May 15-19	Tour site with artist(s)
May 22-31	Jury convenes to select semi-finalists, then a finalist
June 5	Contract with Artist completed
Sept-Oct	Artwork installation
Sept 15	Project completion
Sept 26	Community Event
Sept-Dec	Ongoing coordination with stakeholders
Sept-Dec	Ongoing publicity

#### **Promotions**

Artists will be featured on the following:

- Bainbridge Currents website (<https://www.bainbridgecurrents.com/public-art/>)
- City of Bainbridge Island's website (<http://www.ci.bainbridge-isl.wa.us/956/Public-Art-Program>)
- Social media platforms

We will link to each Artist's website for additional exposure of their larger body of work. Each piece of art will be featured on its own page on **Bainbridge Currents** throughout the program year.

Interviews with Artists will potentially be broadcast on Bainbridge Community Broadcasting (<https://www.bestofbcb.org/>) and shared on the **Bainbridge Currents** website.

Wintergreen Townhomes and AHB/Public Art Committee will host an Opening Celebration - This will be dependent on the social distancing requirements at that time.

Each artwork piece will feature a plaque with the name of the Artist and the artwork's information about their **piece**. The plaque will also recognize the project's sponsors and will provide contact information for potential purchase.

AHB expects to organize events including guided and self-guided tours of public art on Bainbridge island.

By submitting an application, the Artist acknowledges that AHB, PAC, and Wintergreen may use photographs or videos of the Artwork to promote the Public Art Program.

The Artist agrees to be interviewed and videotaped and have the interview appear on community websites that may include but are not limited to:

- Arts & Humanities Bainbridge
- **Currents** (AHB's community cultural website)
- City of Bainbridge Island (COBI)
- City or Community YouTube Channel
- BARN-Bainbridge Artisan Resource Network
- Visit Bainbridge Island
- Bainbridge Community Broadcasting
- Bainbridge island Downtown Association BIDA
- Bainbridge Island Chamber of Commerce

## **Selection Process**

The Selection Committee will consist of up to five jurors at least, including one PAC representative, an Artist, and a representative from Wintergreen . The Committee will primarily be concerned with the quality of the submitted proposal for art. However, background materials will also be considered. Young and emerging Artists are strongly encouraged to apply.

## **Submission Process**

Each Artist may submit up to five (5) pieces of artwork for review via email to [admin@ahbainbridge.org](mailto:admin@ahbainbridge.org).

Artists who do not wish to submit via email may choose to submit directly to AHB using Dropbox. If submitting using Dropbox, Artists should upload their application materials (as outlined under 'Submission Requirements') as Word documents. All files submitted to Dropbox must have the Artist's name included in the file name so that we can keep each Artist's application materials together.

## **Submission Requirements Include:**

- Artist's Resume (no more than 2 pages)
- Artist's Statement
- Artist's Contact Information
- Description of Artwork or proposed Artwork
- Indicate preference for site (1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 as described below, or no preference)
- 3-5 Images of each submission with annotated Image List: (2000 words limit) - Please limit artwork to pieces created within the past 10 years. Please include the title, medium, and dimensions, along with descriptive text (up to 75 words) for each sample.
- Include anticipated installation requirements for each submittal.

## **Submittals**

Artists wishing to respond to this Call for Artists must submit a written proposal that clearly and accurately demonstrates their intended approach to this project as well as their experience performing the services outlined in the scope of work.

## Artwork Requirements

- The call is open to regional Washington Artists.
- Exterior artwork must be suitable for the weather conditions and a high level of foot traffic.
- Accompanying this Call is a reference exhibit that shows the proposed layout of the site, and some photos of example locations for public art inside and outside the facility.
- A short proposal statement (300 – 500 words), including:
  - The general nature of your proposed approach to public art for the Wintergreen Townhomes project.
  - Please be explicit about the medium and method of your art.
- Two or three preliminary sketches that indicate how the proposed artwork will integrate with the Wintergreen Townhomes project.

Submit your proposal by 4:00 PM PST on Friday, May 12, 2023.

Responses should be sent via email under the subject “Artist for WIntergreen Townhomes” to [admin@ahbainbridge.org](mailto:admin@ahbainbridge.org)

Submittals must be received by May 12, 2023. Submittals received after the deadline will not be considered.

## Contractual Agreement

This process is being managed and facilitated by AHB, PAC, and Wintergreen Townhomes. The Artist will be entering into an agreement with Wintergreen Townhomes. Once selected, a contract between the artist(s) and Wintergreen Townhomes will be created. At that time, Artists must review the contract prior to submitting their work to be sure they can comply with all terms and conditions.

**Application Deadline:** May 12, 2023