



August 2022

Call for Expression of Interest: Mural Installation on Bulkley Valley Regional District Hospital

The Bulkley Valley Community Arts Council (BVCAC) and the Northern Health Authority are seeking Expressions of Interest from professional artists for a mural installation on the Bulkley Valley Regional District Hospital on Wet'suwet'en territory in Smithers, BC. Preference will be given to artists based in the region.

Scope of work:

The project scope is to create and paint a large-scale mural design on the concrete exterior of the hospital. See photographs below for location, building height is 30 feet 3 inches and the width of the full wall in photo on the left is 55 feet.



The artwork is to reflect the Northern Health strategic priority, "Healthy People in Healthy Communities". Reflection and consideration of the organizational values of empathy, respect, collaboration and innovation must guide the project development. Artistic design must also include Northern Health's commitment to partner with First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples and to build a health system that honours diversity and provides culturally safe services.

Expression of Interest deliverable & selection process:

Stage 1: Interested parties submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) application by August 10, 2022 by e-mail to info@bvartscouncil.com that contains:

- Artist name(s) and short biography that includes: which identities they lead with, their place of residence, any professional training and previous experience with large-scale painted murals (max. 1 page)
- 1-3 samples of previous work

Stage 2: BVCAC Selection Committee reviews EOIs and selects 2 or 3 parties to advance to the next stage. Parties will be notified if they are successful by August 15, 2022, and will be asked to prepare a design concept by August 29, 2022. They will be awarded \$200 for their design submission.

Schedule:

The project schedule is planned as follows:

Aug 2, 2022	Public Call for Expression of Interest Opens
Aug 12, 2022	Expression of Interest submission period closes
Aug 19, 2022	Successful parties notified about advancing to second stage
Sept 2, 2022	Mural design concepts due
Early Sept 2022	Project awarded to successful party
May 31, 2023	Mural completed

Budget:

The budget for this project is currently \$15,000 from BV Community Arts Council and Wet'zink'wa Community Forest grants. The final selected proponent will be expected to submit a detailed budget to complete the project and sign an agreement with Northern Health to confirm the work details. As fundraising is still underway and this amount may increase, parties will be asked in stage 2 to indicate how their design could accommodate a larger budget.

Contact information:

Please submit your questions and your Expression of Interest by e-mail with subject line Mural application to info@bvartscouncil.com. Thank you!