

# 2016 / 2017 Call for Outdoor Sculptures / Chelsea, MI

## **Project Description**

"SculptureWalk Chelsea" is an annual public arts project sponsored by the Chelsea Downtown Development Authority, the City of Chelsea, Sounds & Sights on Thursday Nights, and River Gallery. 12 sculptures will be juried into the exhibit and installed outdoors, on concrete pads in high profile locations in historic downtown Chelsea, Michigan, (located 14 miles west of Ann Arbor). Online and print brochures will be provided to the public to inspire self-guided walking tours of the exhibit. Guided docent tours will also be available through the Chelsea District Library and River Gallery. On the launch date of June 9, 2016, there will be a reception for the artists, hosted by the River Gallery, sponsored by the community partners. This reception will be a feature of the 40th annual kick-off to "Sounds & Sights on Thursday Nights," an eleven-week free summer musical event in downtown Chelsea. All work must be for sale and remain in the exhibit for the entire year (June 2016 - May 2017).

Each artist will receive a \$600 stipend. The deadline for submissions is March 28, 2016.

#### Selection Criteria

Entries will be critiqued on artistic merit and originality. All finalists will have to meet standards of public safety and durability of design and materials. Freestanding sculptures will be considered. All work must be original, created by the artist, for sale, and remain in the exhibit for one year. Artists selected will be notified by April 8th, 2016. The list of finalists will be posted on the following websites: www.chelsearivergallery.com and facebook / SculptureWalk Chelsea

### Benefits to the Exhibiting Sculptor

- \$600 stipend
- High visibility sites in the heart of downtown Chelsea, a major cultural destination city in Southeast Michigan
- A year long marketing campaign, including press releases and brochures distributed in Southeast Michigan.
- Facebook broadcasting, a page on the River Gallery and City of Chelsea's website.
- Guided docent tours throughout the year

## Installation: May 31 - June 3, 2016

Artists are responsible for delivery and pick up of their sculptures and are required to be present during installation by the City of Chelsea. The City of Chelsea will provide the equipment needed for unloading, placing, and securing of the sculptures to the assigned concrete pads. Artists are responsible for providing the bolts to secure the sculptures. Each artist will be contacted for an appointment date for installation. Free standing sculptures will need to be adaptable for installation on a 3' X 3' cement pad. The artwork may extend beyond the 3' x 3' pad.

#### **Financials**

Each artist that is juried into the show will be awarded a \$600 stipend. Artwork must be for sale during the exhibition, and if a piece is sold a 60% commission of the sale price will go to the artist.

# **Project End**

"SculptureWalk Chelsea" will release all works to the artists at the project end. The City of Chelsea will provide the equipment needed for detachment and loading of the sculptures from their assigned concrete pads by appointment from May 22-26, 2017. Artists are required to make arrangements for the transportation of their sculptures.

#### Timeline

2016

March 28 Call for sculptures postmark deadline
April 8 Artists notified of results of jurying process

May 31 - June 3 Art installation appointments

June 9 Launch and reception for the artists

2017

May 22-26 Sculpture removal appointments

### **Contact Information**

Questions? Call Patti Schwarz @ 734.433.0826 or at sculpturewalk@chelsearivergallery.com Please enter "SculptureWalk Chelsea" in the subject line of all emails.

### **Submission Procedure**

"SculptureWalk Chelsea" is open to all artists 18 years of age and older. Artists may submit up to three (3) original sculptures. Entries can be completed online or by mail. Artists are required to complete the application, including a copy of their resume and images of the artwork (each image file name must specify the entry number, title and artists last name: ie #1-SportFish-Smith).

### Online application instructions:

- 1. Complete application
- 2. Follow instructions to submit images and resume
- 3. River Gallery will contact you after application is received.

  If you do not hear from us within two business days after applying, please contact the office to confirm that your application was received.

### **Apply Online**

### Mail in instructions:

Download and print out the form. Mail completed application to us with all of your information. If mailing, the package <u>must</u> contain the following:

## **Download PDF**

- 1. Completed application
- 2. Resume
- 3. Artist statement
- 4. CD with high resolution images of each submitted piece and a detailed description of each piece
  - \*Artists that wish for return of materials must include a self addressed stamped envelope

Mail to: River Gallery Attn: SculptureWalk Chelsea 118 S. Main St., Suite B, Chelsea. MI 48118

# **APPLICATION**

Up to three original sculptures per entry.

Please complete form in its entirety (\*Required). Return to River Gallery with current resume, artist statment, images, and descriptive details either by email, or mail in package per the instructions listed above.

Email to sculpturewalk@chelsearivergallery.com **OR** mail to:

River Gallery Attn: SculptureWalk Chelsea 118 S. Main Street, Suite B Chelsea, MI 48118

For questions or concerns please contact us at: 734.433.0826 / fax: 734.433.1930

Artist Name*		
Address*		
City*	State*	
Phone*:		
email*:		
Website		
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Where did you learn about the "S	culptureWalk Chelsea" Ca	ll for Entries?