

Call for Artists Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

University of Nebraska Medical Center,
Omaha, Nebraska



FRED & PAMELA
BUFFETT CANCER CENTER

ELIGIBILITY

This Request for Qualifications (RFQ) competition is open to all professional public artists or artist teams from throughout the United States. Artists from diverse backgrounds and Nebraska artists are encouraged to apply.

RFQ SUBMISSION DEADLINE

December 20, 2017

BUDGET

\$34,000

ABOUT THE FRED & PAMELA BUFFETT CANCER CENTER AND THE HEALING ARTS PROGRAM

The Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center, which opened in June of 2017 has begun changing forever the way cancer is diagnosed

and treated. By harnessing the most advanced biomedical and technological tools available, they are increasingly identifying the drivers behind cancer and creating precise therapies that improve outcomes. Through the use of genomics and other new diagnostic tools, we are employing precision medicine to customize therapies and care for each cancer patient. While all forms of cancer are treated at the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center, because of their prevalence in society and the center's potential to have a significant impact in their treatment, the following focus areas have been selected: Breast Cancer and Other Women's Cancers, Head and Neck Cancers, Leukemia and Lymphoma, Lung Cancer, Pancreatic and Gastrointestinal Cancers, and Prostate Cancer.

At the Fred and Pamela Buffett Cancer Center, healing is more than medicine. The Healing Arts program exists to create environments that support and comfort people through the diverse art opportunities and experiences. The Healing Arts program will be comprised of a growing list of elements to help reduce pain perception, anxiety, stress, loneliness and depression and to provide new insight and clarify feelings about a cancer diagnosis and treatment.



SELECTION PROCESS

Selections will be made solely by the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center 1% for Art committee, comprised of staff, patients, art professionals and other stakeholders, in consultation with the Nebraska Arts Council. The committee will review submissions from this RFQ and choose three short-listed artists to present proposals. Shortlisted artists will receive proposal and travel stipends.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE

December 20, 2017	RFQ application deadline
January 20, 2018	Selection committee review
January 24, 2018	Proposals requested from shortlisted artists
March 1, 2018	Finalist proposal presentations
February 26, 2018	Project artist public announcement
Winter 2018	Artwork Installation

The Selection Committee reserves the right to change or extend timeline without notice.

ARTWORK SITE/TYPE OF ART SOUGHT/ENVIRONMENT

The committee is seeking a large sculpture or installation public art project. The proposed site of the commissioned artwork will reside in the second level, common area near a large window. The location is highly visible, with sight lines from two levels in the interior and from the exterior through the window. The proposed site can house work that is approximately 15 x 15 feet maximum. The committee is seeking artists who can design, in an engaging manner, innovative, thought-provoking projects that relate to the missions of the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center and the Healing Arts Program.

TO APPLY

- Applications are accepted online at: <https://nebraska.slideroom.com>
- Requirements: 10 images of already realized projects/artwork and CV
- \$10 application fee

