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New Britain Commission on the Arts Call to Artists

HIGH VOLTAGE ART (HVA)

The Mayor's Office invites local artists to make art of traffic control boxes

Project Overview

The High Voltage Art program, organized by the New Britain Commission on the Arts, is geared towards the recognition and celebration of local artists. Through High Voltage Art, artists are asked to paint City of New Britain utility boxes with original designs. Once professionally painted, these utility boxes in neighborhood business districts will contribute to the vitality and attractiveness of the urban streetscape and deter graffiti.

Process

	Artists must be residents of Connecticut, with special consideration given to New Britain artists.
	Designs for up to 3 boxes, by each artist, will be considered.
	Selections will be made by the New Britain Commission on the Arts and other qualified parties.
	Submissions will be considered under rolling admission and kept on file for future consideration.
	Artists will be notified if/when designs are selected.
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comple	pating New Britain artists may receive a \$300 stipend from the City of New Britain upon tion of their box. Artists are responsible for the cost of all materials required to complete otect their artwork.
<u>Design</u>	Guidelines
	Artwork must be original.
	Artists must avoid dark palettes in order to prevent boxes from overheating in the sun.
	context and be appropriate given the location and audience (no profanity or
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	nudity). Utility box size may vary; selected artists must be willing to adjust designs to their particular box.
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High Voltage Art Application

Please submit up to 3 designs

Curriculum vitae

Email completed application and appendices: Subject "High Voltage Art" to brock.weber@newbritainct.gov

Artist or Orgai	nization Name:					_
Neighborhood	1:					
Mailing Addres	SS:	<u>-</u>			 	
Phone:		•	····································			·
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Website URL:		<u>. </u>				
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Application ch	<u>ecklist</u>					
	Completed Appli Designs (up to 3)	cation with arti	st signature r scheme and r	naterials list		

Please keep in mind the operational use of the boxes: hinges, vents, locks and keyholes cannot be painted over. Artists must avoid dark palettes in order to prevent boxes from overheating.

Artist statement of intent, description of concept and approach

Other:	items to consider					
_ ·	Preferences for specific boxes and/or neighborhood will be considered but cannot be guaranteed.*	е				
	The utility boxes must be scraped, cleaned and primed before the artists begin painting. We suggest taping over functional areas and spaying automobile primer.					
	Only durable materials may be used in the creation of the artwork. Artists must avoid palettes in order to prevent boxes from overheating in the sun.	l dark				
	Artists must supply their own water.					
	Drop cloths should be used at all times while painting. Applied paint must not interfere with the operation of the box's hinges, vents and loc addition to the legibility of any cautionary text on the box.	ks, in				
	Artists are responsible for protecting their work from the elements and possible vand with a protective varnish and coating of wax (Butcher's Wax may be applied manually buffed to a finish.)					
	Passage on the sidewalk for pedestrians must be at all times maintained. Blocking tradlanes of the street may only be done in coordination with project staff and City official					
<u>Terms</u>	of Agreement					
All arti	sts selected for High Voltage Art must agree to the following:					
	The work submitted by the artist is original, solely owned by the artist and reproduction violate the rights of any third party. Since the artistic designs leading up to and including final design and dimension of the artwork are unique, the artist shall not make any acceptance to the reproductions of the final design and dimension, nor shall the artist grathird party, the right to replicate the artistic designs and dimensions of the artwork, we written permission of the City.	ing the lditional, rant to a	ı			
	The accepted artwork developed under this contract shall be the exclusive property of New Britain.	of the City o	of			
	The artist grants to the City of New Britain, an irrevocable license to make reproducti the artwork and the final designs to be used in brochures, media, publicity and catalog other similar, publications.					
	The artwork may be removed and / or destroyed at any time without notification of to accommodate utility box replacement.	he artist	٠			
I am	willing to waive the stipend for all boxes I am applying to paint:	yes □	no 🗆			
I am	willing to waive the stipend for additional boxes if I am granted a stipend for one box:	yes □	no 🗆			
	erstand that the City of New Britain has the right to paint over my design if, in the futurance deteriorates due to weather or vandalism.	re, the				
Artist	Signature Date					

^{*} There are over 40 traffic light control boxes in New Britain that are eligible for this project. We will be completing specific areas on an ongoing, rolling, basis. Although you may not be selected for the first round, your proposal may be considered for future cycles.

Please use this utility box template to design proposal(s) in color. Sketches submitted electronically or on stand paper. Please note: The dimensions of the accurately represent all utility box ditherefore, the proposed design must	es must be dard 8 ½" x 11" e template do not limensions;	SIDE
TOP		FRONT
the proposed box		SIDE
Artist name: Title: Materials: Proposed Please feel free to include a photograph of the proposed box Preferences for specific boxes and/or neighborhood will be considered but		BACK
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