



Call for Proposals

Kirkbride Arts & History Weekend Engagement Projects

Proposals Due: Wednesday, August 17, 2016
Project Notification: Wednesday, August 24, 2016
Projects take place: Saturday, September 17, 2016

BACKGROUND: Springboard for the Arts is seeking proposals from artists in West Central Minnesota for engagement projects that take place at Kirkbride Park on Saturday, September 17th during the Kirkbride Arts & History Weekend. 3-5 projects will be selected. Up to \$1000 is available per project.

The goals of artist projects during the Kirkbride Weekend are to **foster interaction about the Kirkbride Building's past and future through arts engagement**. Projects should employ one or more Kirkbride-related themes (history, architecture, mental health, wellness, economic development) and engage community members of all ages in a memorable, hands-on art experience. For more information about the former Fergus Falls State Hospital, visit:

www.otchs.org/LibraryResearch/RegionalTreatmentCenter.html

ELIGIBILITY: Artists must live in the 9-county region of West Central Minnesota (Becker, Clay, Douglas, Grant, Otter Tail, Pope, Stevens, Traverse and Wilkin) to be eligible to apply.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS: The main public component of the project must be available during the Kirkbride Weekend Picnic, **on the afternoon of Saturday, September 17th, 2016** (public activities that take place prior to September 17th are acceptable, as long as there is a culmination of the project on September 17th).

Projects will take place at Kirkbride Park. Artist must facilitate every aspect of the project's set up and installation. Sorry, no access to the interior of the building will be available during this year's event.

FUNDS: Artists may request funds between \$100 and \$1000. Funds can be used to pay for artist's time, for supplies related to the project, equipment rental, hiring other artists, etc.

EXAMPLES OF POSSIBLE PROJECTS: Temporary sculptural installations, participatory writing projects/publications, games or competitions with an artistic flair, projects that promote mental health and wellness through art

SELECTION PROCESS: Projects will be reviewed by the Kirkbride Weekend planning committee and will be selected based on the project's feasibility, the originality of the idea, and the quality of the arts experience. A total of 3-5 projects will be selected.

How to submit your proposal

Online:

Fill out the project proposal form online:

http://springboardforthearts.formstack.com/forms/kirkbride_project_proposal

Email/Mail/Drop off:

Create a word document with the following information and email to

michele@springboardforthearts.org, or mail/drop off to Springboard's office at 201 West Lincoln Ave. Fergus Falls, MN 56537.

Name:

Artistic Discipline:

Organization/Business Name (if applicable)

Email:

Address:

City/State:

Zip:

Phone:

Project Name *(Something catchy! If the project is selected, this will be used in Kirkbride Weekend promo materials):*

Project Description *(1-3 paragraphs. What are you going to do? How does it help foster interaction in the community about the past and future of the Kirkbride Building?):*

Space Needs *(Where at the Kirkbride Park do you picture your project taking place? Please be as detailed as possible (electric needs, etc.))*

Funds requested *(You can request between \$100 and \$1000):*

How will the funds be used? *Please give us a general breakdown of costs (Funds can be used to pay yourself for your time, for supplies related to the project, equipment rental, hiring other artists, etc.):*

OPTIONAL: Include up to 3 images that will help us better understand your proposal (such as sketches, work samples of your art, or examples of similar projects).