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Call for Artists - Taos Mural Project

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Rocky Mountain Youth Corps (RMYC) is a youth development organization that provides life skills training and workforce credentials to youth and young adults through a variety of programs in northern and central New Mexico. These programs include the Conservation Program, the Canine Leadership Program, the American Sign Language Program and the Native American Program. RMYC also manages a substance abuse and prevention program in Taos. Corpsmembers work on a large variety of land conservation, recreation, historic preservation and environmental education projects on public land that preserve the natural environment and support the local economy. Learn more at www.youthcorps.org

The Taos Mural Project

A crew of 8 Corpsmembers will be painting the mural under the direction of the muralist. A specific location and design of the mural are not yet determined. We will rely on the creativity of the muralist and the Corpsmembers to design the mural; however, the mural should represent the mission of RMYC and the impact it has on the lives of Corpsmembers and the landscapes of Taos.

We plan to complete the mural within one week either during the week of April 25th to the 29th of May 2nd to the 6th. The budget for the mural includes \$4,500 in supplies. The budget for the muralist is \$4,500 inclusive of transportation, insurance, and all other costs. RMYC is hiring a videographer under a separate budget to prepare a short video of the project

Call for Artists

RMYC is requesting proposals from muralists to work with the crew and RMYC staff to design and paint a mural. We are likely to paint the mural on a portable surface so it can be moved from location to location. We may be working with a local school as a temporary location and with students who will contribute to the mural. RMYC will be constructing a new office in Taos which will be the murals permanent home.

Submittal Requirements

All proposals must include the following information in order to be considered for a contract.

- 1. A one page summary of your experience as a muralist.
- 2. A list of prior mural projects, including images, their location and a description of the project and how long it took to complete the project.
- 3. A statement that the muralist is available to complete the project within the required timeframe and the budget.
- 4. The name and contact information of at least one client who engaged you to complete a mural in the last five years.
- 5. A brief description of the concept that the muralist envisions for the mural and how it can be completed. A rendering is not necessary, but provide at least a written concept that represents RMYC, the people and diversity of Taos and that can be completed with a crew of Corpsmembers (without any artists training). Include an idea of how the mural can be modified as time continues, allowing for possible additions and how the viewer can be engaged with the mural (i.e. photographs).
- 6. A description of how the mural should be preserved either as an outdoor or indoor installation or both.

Selection Process

A group of staff members of RMYC will review all proposals and select the muralist that best represents the intent of the project and is most responsive to the request.

All work must be original and created by or under the direction of the muralist(s). Collaborations are welcome.

The muralist will be required to sign a professional services agreement with RMYC.

While all submissions will be considered, there is no quarantee the work will be accepted.

RMYC has the right to postpone or cancel the project.

Delivery Requirements

All proposals must be delivered to RMYC no later than Friday, March 28th at 5:00 PM. Digital or hard copy proposals will be accepted (if postmarked by March 28th). All proposals must be submitted to Herbert Foster at herbert@youthcorps.org or by mail at PO Box 1960. Ranchos de Taos, NM 87557 or hand delivered to 1203 King Drive #3 in Taos 87571.