

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Introduction:

Faith Lutheran Church seeks an artist to create a site-specific sculptural artwork on a wall in the sanctuary of their church building located at 8208 18th Avenue NE in Seattle, Washington.

Background:

Faith Lutheran Church is a lively and energetic community of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is a strong inter-generational community which honors its Lutheran heritage in worship, music, education, and service to the wider community. Moved by the desire to honor his wife, a member of Faith generously donated funds earmarked for the commission of a memorial wall to be installed in the sanctuary at Faith Lutheran Church. The intention of this artwork is to honor the baptized and those who have died - all the saints - of Faith Lutheran Church.

Eligibility:

The competition is open to established professional artists who are residents of Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho and Western Canada.



Faith Mosaic, 2007
Artist: Carol Haffar

Scope of Work:

The Memorial Wall (artwork) will be located on a designated wall in the sanctuary of Faith Lutheran Church. The wall measurements are: 150" H x 101" W. The artist will be provided with Biblical passages to use as inspiration for the artwork. Therefore, the artwork should have a reflective Biblical theme but does not necessarily have to illustrate the provided Biblical passages. The artwork should complement the other artworks in the building structure as well as the existing architectural elements. The artwork while site specific should have the capacity to be removed and reinstalled in anticipation of a future remodeling of the sanctuary. The artwork should be made of wood but it is hoped that the design will feature other elements, such as glass, ceramic or metals, as well. Incorporated into the design, but not necessarily a part of the actual wall, should be a book, where the names of the dead and baptized members can be recorded.

**Budget:**

One artist will receive a commission of \$10,000, inclusive of all costs to design, fabricate and install artwork at Faith Lutheran Church.

Selection process:

The selection process will occur in two phases:

1. A selection panel will review all applications and select up to three finalists to develop artwork proposals.
2. Finalists will develop proposals and present them to the selection panel during interviews. Each finalist will receive a \$250 fee to present artwork proposals to the selection panel.

Detail of Faith Mural, 1980
Artist: Jens Knudsen

Criteria for phase one selection:

- Quality and artistic merit of the images submitted.
- Ability and experience creating site specific artwork.
- Suitability of artwork and media to the Faith Lutheran Church project.

Criteria for final selection:

- Integration of proposed design with current architectural design.
- Success of incorporation of Biblical themes.
- Sustainability with respect to construction. (Sustainable artwork is environmentally attentive in its design, materials, fabrication or construction, installation and maintenance. The artwork does not make unnecessary demands on natural, financial or human resources.)
- Recycled materials are encouraged for use in the artwork if appropriate but that is not a requirement.
- The artwork must be designed and fabricated to be durable, require minimal or infrequent maintenance as well as low cost maintenance.

Timeline:

Phase one selection will occur in early October, 2008.

Proposal presentations and interviews will occur in late October, 2008.

Final selection will occur in early November, 2008.

Memorial Wall should be completed and installed by November 1, 2009.

Application requirements:

- 10 - 20 artwork images. Please submit digital images on a CD. (JPEG; 72dpi, title files as such: nameofyourpiece.jpg)
- Corresponding slide list including title, date, materials, dimensions, location.
- Letter of interest (not to exceed one page).
- Resume
- References
- SASE for return of images.

Application Deadline:

5:00pm, Friday, September 19, 2008. This is a **delivery** deadline, not a postmarked deadline.

Questions? Please contact Betsy at the church office, 206-523-9636.

Mail entry materials to:

Faith Lutheran Church
Attn: Memorial Wall
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Seattle, WA 98115