

CALL FOR ARTISTS

#### Streets for People Program Mount Vernon Triangle DC August 7, 2023

## **Project Background**

The Mount Vernon Triangle Community Improvement District (MVT CID) seeks an artist to create a **central three-dimensional artwork for a new pedestrian plaza** at the intersection of 4-1/2 & K Streets NW in Washington, DC. In addition to landscaped planters, cafe tables, and chairs to be purchased by MVT CID, the plaza will also contain this custom-built public space infrastructure that will serve as a performance backdrop, create a place branding element for the neighborhood, and provide visual interest as a stand-alone piece. The selected artist will be required to design, fabricate, and install the central artwork. Work with the selected artist will begin in late summer 2023 with the goal to install the art by spring 2024. The art must be approved by the DC Public Space Committee prior to installation. MVT CID will arrange for all approvals and permitting.

The artwork must be free-standing and designed to withstand local wind conditions. It may be painted, sculptural, kinetic, and may include water or sound. It must also be designed with a heavy-use urban area in mind, including durability and visibility around and through the art.

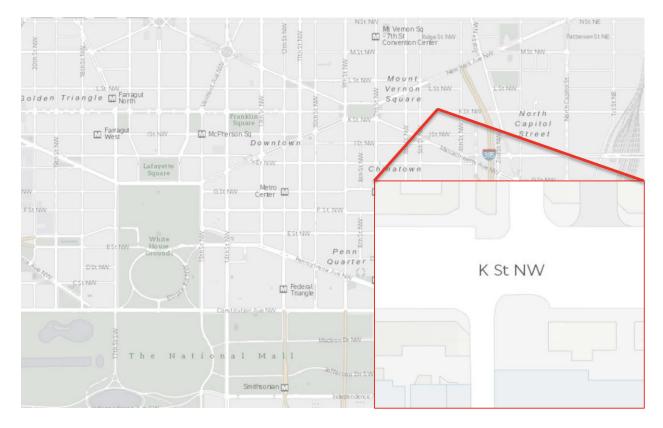
Location	4-1/2 & K Streets NW – plaza site on southeast corner
Theme	<ul> <li>Colorful, vibrant, celebratory</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Reflects neighborhood character</li> </ul>
Art Location on Site	<ul> <li>Adjacent/parallel to fence on east side of the plaza</li> </ul>
Maximum Dimensions	■ H: 12', W: 16', D: 3'
Materials	Durable for 6 month installation
Function	<ul> <li>Three-dimensional artwork, event backdrop, place branding element</li> </ul>
Estimated Fee Range	\$10,000-\$15,000 including design, fabrication, installation, and all materials
Precedent Example	Visit www.paleypark.org and search related images
Response Due	<ul> <li>Wednesday, August 31, 2023 at 11:59pm, applications will be accepted on</li> </ul>
	a rolling basis.
Send Responses To	<ul> <li>Grace Aucella at grace@mvtcid.org</li> </ul>

## **Project Details**

Responses must include: artist name, address, e-mail, phone number, very high-level concept sketch or description, proposed timeline, and project budget. Evidence of previous experience is also helpful.

- The Streets for People Program is administered by the District of Columbia Office of Planning.
- MVT CID was established to enhance the overall quality of life for residents, employees, visitors, and property owners in the Mount Vernon Triangle neighborhood of Downtown DC.
- BIPOC artists are encouraged to apply.

#### **Site Location**



# Site Photo (Facing South)

