



## **ART COMMISSION**

**CITY OF SOUTHLAKE, TEXAS  
PUBLIC ART PROJECT OPPORTUNITY**

**PUBLIC ART FOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY WEST FACILITY  
SOUTHLAKE, TX**

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The City of Southlake, Texas, through its Southlake Arts Council, seeks to commission an artist for the creation of public art to be displayed in The Public Safety West Facility located at 2100 W Southlake Blvd, Southlake, TX 76092.

**The application deadline is September 30, 2023.**

Artists must submit their application via email to [mlopez@ci.southlake.tx.us](mailto:mlopez@ci.southlake.tx.us). Complete information on how to apply is listed below.

### **PUBLIC ART PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The City of Southlake is a premier community in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex. Southlake is known for its high-quality school system, youth athletics, and destination dining and retail. Exceptional neighborhoods are prevalent, and much of Southlake's small-town charm has been preserved through careful planning.

The mission of the public art program is to create a better visual environment for Southlake residents and visitors. The City of Southlake seeks to commission new artworks for visually prominent locations in the community. The Department of Public Safety West Facility is located in the west side of Southlake (location map available on page 5). This is the only Public Safety Facility that does not feature public art. The Public Art Master Plan establishes the following goals for the artwork:

- Promote unique community character by emphasizing urban design detail
- Encourage features and amenities that create a unique sense of place
- Emphasize creativity in the design of all development
- Improve the appearance of entryways into the City
- Be visible from Southlake Boulevard

The Southlake Arts Council seeks an artist to provide artwork for the DPS West Facility. Images of the facility have been provided on page 4.

The artwork should: Feature a public Safety (Police and Fire) theme; Compliment the architecture and design of the building; Be of the highest quality; Create interest for the community; Enrich the quality of life and visual environment for all residents and visitors of the city; Reflect the mission and values of the City of Southlake; Convey the integrity of the Department of Public Safety police and fire professionals; and Be appropriate to the identified location, durable and low maintenance. The goal of the piece is to be visible from Southlake Boulevard.

The project budget is approximately \$100,000, including the base.

### **ESTIMATED PROJECT TIMELINE**

September 30, 2023	Application Deadline – 5:00 PM
October 2023	Application Review/Selection of Artist by Southlake Arts Council
November 2023	Notification to Artist
November/	Presentation of Selected Art to City Council
December 2023	
December 2023-	Upon City Council approval, execution of Contract with Artist

*The City of Southlake reserves the right to adjust this estimated timeline as necessary.*

### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Artists must submit the following via email to [mlopez@ci.southlake.tx.us](mailto:mlopez@ci.southlake.tx.us). Applications are due September 30, 2023 at 5:00 PM. No late applications will be accepted.

- **Letter of Interest-** Applicants must submit a letter of interest indicating the project(s) for which they are applying and an artist statement
- **Resume** – Limited to three pages or less utilizing a font size of 10 or greater (must include name, address, phone, e-mail, and website)
- **Images of Completed Artwork** – Must be submitted in JPEG, PNG, or Microsoft PowerPoint Slide with no more than ten (10) images of completed works (one image per slide). The first slide should include the artist's name and contact information. Each image must include a title.
- **Description of Art Concept for Review** – Must be submitted in a Microsoft Word document or PDF to include the title, date, media, size (HxWxD),

commission cost/purchase price, and a brief description of the artwork corresponding to the images submitted in the PowerPoint presentation.

- **Budget** – Estimated cost of the piece and base.

### **ARTIST SELECTION PROCESS**

The Southlake Arts Council will review all applications and select finalists. Interviews with finalists may be conducted to select one artist to commission the artwork.

Criteria for selection includes: artistic merit as evidenced by the submitted materials; the applicant's professional qualifications; proven ability to perform well on similar projects; and demonstrated ability to work with government agencies, boards, committees, architects, engineers, and other groups for the successful completion of similar art projects.

Artists chosen as finalists may be asked to visit the location before completing final concept.

### **HELPFUL WEBSITE LINKS**

City of Southlake: <https://www.cityofsouthlake.com/>

Southlake Public Art Collection:

<https://www.experiencesouthlaketexas.com/689/Southlake-Public-Art-Collection>

Southlake Urban Design Plan: <https://www.cityofsouthlake.com/876/Urban-Design>

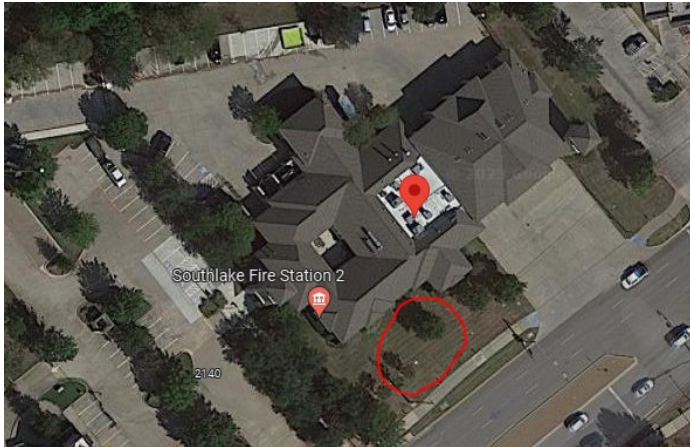
### **FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:**

Milenka Lopez, Assistant to the Director of Community Services  
(817)748-8963 or [mlopez@ci.southlake.tx.us](mailto:mlopez@ci.southlake.tx.us)

## DPS WEST FACILITY



View of DPS West from the front



Birds Eye View of DPS West- circled area is where art is envisioned  
(approximately 2,400 square feet)



View of DPS West from Southlake Boulevard

Art Envisioned to go in the grassy area on the left of the Fire Garage

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