



CALL TO ARTISTS

Art Box Project AC: Artists Paint City Utility Boxes

The Atlantic City Arts Commission invites Atlantic City artists to transform dated traffic control utility boxes into interesting works of art.

Project Overview

The Art Box Project AC, organized by the Atlantic City Arts Commission wishes to recognize and celebrate local artists. Artists are asked to paint utility boxes with an original design in order to enhance the streetscape, bringing art out into open spaces, and communicate to the viewer a vibrant, inclusive and diverse community. The finished works of art will contribute to the vitality and attractiveness of the city's evolving streetscape and deter graffiti.

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- Artists of the City of Atlantic City have first preference.
 - Up to 4 designs by each Atlantic City artist will be considered.
 - Selections will be made by the Atlantic City Arts Commission and the Mayor's office.
 - Submissions will be considered under rolling admission and kept on file for future consideration.
 - Artists will be notified if and when their designs are selected.

Design Guidelines

- Artwork must be original.
- Artists must avoid dark palettes in order to prevent boxes from overheating in the sun.
- Designs may be representational or abstract but must respond to the urban context and be appropriate given the location and audience.
- The words: "City of Atlantic City" shall be incorporated into the design.
- Utility box size may vary; selected artists must be willing to adjust designs to their particular box.
- Designs shall not contain any advertisement or promotion of business, product, or point of view.
- Designs shall not contain any representation of traffic lights, signs, or signals.
- Designs shall include all visible sides of the utility box.
- Utility boxes shall be completed within a 72-hour period.
- Preferences for specific boxes and/or neighborhood will be considered but cannot be guaranteed.
- Utility boxes must be cleaned, sanded, and primed before the artists begin painting.
- Artists must supply their own water.
- Drop cloths will be used at all times while painting.
- Passage on the sidewalk for pedestrians must be maintained at all times. Blocking traffic or lanes of the street may only be done in coordination with project staff and City officials.
- Artists must provide full and immediate access to the boxes, at any time by authorized city personnel.
- Artists must notify the City Engineer's Office at least 72 hours before beginning the project; no work shall commence without the consent of the City Engineer's Office.
- Artists must provide a "before" photograph before beginning project; and an "after" photograph when project completed.

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Terms of Agreement

All artists selected for the Art Box Project AC shall agree to the following:

- The work submitted by the artist is original, solely owned by the artist and reproduction will not violate the rights of any third party. Since the artistic designs leading up to and including the final design and dimension of the artwork are unique, the artist shall not make any additional, exact duplicate reproductions of the final design and dimension, nor shall the artist grant to a third party, the right to replicate the artistic designs and dimensions of the artwork, without written permission of the City.
- The final design on the utility box should represent the submitted and original design on the application.
- The accepted artwork developed under this contract shall be the exclusive property of the City of Atlantic City.
- The artist grants to the City of Atlantic City, an irrevocable license to make reproductions of the artwork and the final designs to be used in brochures, media, publicity and catalogs or other similar, publications.
- The artwork may be removed and/or destroyed at any time without notification of the artist to accommodate utility box replacement.
- The City of Atlantic City has the right to paint over my design if, in the future, the appearance deteriorates due to weather or vandalism.
- The City of Atlantic City has the right to remove or paint over the design in the future for whatever reason is deemed necessary at that time.
- Juvenile and/or minor artists shall provide consent by parent or guardian.

Indemnity

The artist agrees to indemnify and hold harmless The City of Atlantic City, its employees or committees from any loss or damage, any and all third party claims, demands, actions, legal fees or costs arising out of the City's consent to paint utility boxes, including those arising out of the negligence, willful harm, or crimes by the Artist, Artist's employees, agents or subcontractors. This 'hold harmless' agreement shall survive beyond the term of the Artist's Agreement.

I understand, and agree to all the terms of agreement, design guidelines, and indemnity and that there is no contractual relationship, implied or in fact, with The City of Atlantic City.

Artist Signature

Date

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