

## NEWS RELEASE

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### City seeking artist proposals for 2020 Temporary Outdoor Art Program

*Deadline for proposals is Monday, October 21, 2019 (3:00 pm)*

#### Summary

The City of Nanaimo is currently seeking proposals for temporary outdoor art for display in public places beginning in 2020. All artists are invited to submit their proposals through "CALL FOR ARTISTS FOR TEMPORARY OUTDOOR ART NO. 2474", which is available on the City's website at [www.nanaimo.ca/bid-opportunities](http://www.nanaimo.ca/bid-opportunities). The deadline for proposals is Monday, October 21, 2019 at 3:00 pm.

Since 2010, the City of Nanaimo has been involved in a dynamic and evolving public art program that enhances and animates our City's parks. Each year, outdoor artwork is installed in public places on a temporary basis for the enjoyment of residents and visitors. The parks essentially become outdoor art galleries and showcase artworks for a limited period of time.

*Strategic Link:* Installation of temporary public art furthers the goals of "Livability" in the City's Corporate Strategic Plan by continuing to support the downtown core as an Arts District.

#### Key Points

- All artists are invited to submit their proposals through the "CALL FOR ARTISTS FOR TEMPORARY OUTDOOR ART NO. 2474", available on the City's website at [www.nanaimo.ca/bid-opportunities](http://www.nanaimo.ca/bid-opportunities).
- The call is open to all artists who live in Canada. Participants do not have to be a professional artist to submit a proposal.
- The deadline for proposals is Monday, October 21, 2019 (3:00 pm).

#### Quotes

"Public art not only has the ability to enrich our community and its environment, but also to ignite imagination, encourage thought and promote discussion in those who view it."

Leonard Krog  
Mayor  
City of Nanaimo

"With the enormous success in past years, we encourage all artists to submit their art proposals in an effort to continue creating dynamic and engaging outdoor spaces in Nanaimo."

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