



Town of Twisp

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TOWN OF TWISP – Creative District

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Town Banners Artwork Contest

Deadline: July 15, 2024

\$500 artist prize for each design chosen

Contact Email: twispcreativedistrict@townoftwisp.com

The Town of Twisp cordially invites applications from individuals to submit artworks for consideration in the town banners hung on HWY 20 and on Glover Street. Artwork will enhance the community, inviting visitors to Twisp, WA and link the community to our offerings. Selected artwork will align with the following goals of the Town of Twisp. The Town of Twisp and creative district will be choosing four new designs to enhance the downtown district.

Overview and Background of Twisp, WA

Twisp, a small town in Okanogan County in north central Washington, sits at the confluence of the Twisp and Methow rivers in the eastern foothills of the majestic North Cascade Mountains. Twisp's central location, approximately half way down the Methow Valley from the mountain headwaters to the Columbia River, helped it grow into the valley's largest town and dominant commercial center following its founding in the last decade of the 1800s. Mining, which brought the first non-Indian settlers to the valley, agriculture, and especially timber dominated the town's economy for much of its history. Twisp's timber mill is now gone, while agriculture continues to play a significant role in the town's economy. More recently, a growing recreational tourism industry is thriving-- significantly increased by the 1972 opening of the North Cascades Highway. Many small businesses serving valley residents are located in Twisp. The creative economy plays a significant role in Twisp impacting and enriching the lives of residents and visitors alike. Art studios, food and beverage spaces, events, performance and galleries sprinkle the downtown corridor, while art installations can be seen throughout the town – weaving together the community-minded life of Twisp, WA.

The Project – Town Banner Artwork contest

Art submissions should be significantly relevant to life in Twisp; scenery, flora, fauna, and in every season. Chosen artworks will be printed on banners and hung on a rolling schedule during the year. The banners are 24" x 60" and the artwork that is chosen will be printed on both sides, please ensure your artwork can fit that scale and is designed in a way that it can be viewed from a distance.

Eligibility

This project is open to all artists who are legal US residents, regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, military status, sexual orientation, marital status, or physical or mental disability. We look forward to working with you and viewing your ideas! Youth work (under 18) must be submitted by parent or guardian.

Budget

A \$500 prize will be given for each design chosen.

Timeline 2024

May 15: Open Call - Request for Submissions

July 15: Submission period closed

July 31: Selection committee chosen winning designs and awards are announced

Application and Selection Process

Please find attached application sheet which outlines proposal elements. Applicants may submit up to three separate designs if desired.

The Selection Committee will consist of a panel of voting members including citizens, arts professionals, and town officials. The Selection Committee will review all submissions. Selection Committee will forward their recommendation to the Twisp Creative District for review and approval.



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Twisp Creative District-Banner Artwork Contest Submission Form

I. Submission COVER SHEET

You may submit up to designs for review. All submissions must be submitted by July 15, 2024.

Artist Name: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Mailing Address: _____ Zip - _____

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Title of Submission#1 _____
Name of artwork/design & Brief description:

Title of Submission #2 _____
Name of artwork/design & brief description:

Title of Submission #3 _____
Name of artwork/design & brief description:

Would you like proposal materials returned to you? **YES NO** (If yes, include a self-addressed stamped envelope with correct postage for return of all materials.)
Twisp Creative District and Methow Arts has permission to use my photos and proposal in a display for public viewing. **YES NO**

ARTIST STATEMENT

Attach your artist statement and short bio of yourself.

Please sign and date. Signing also acknowledges that proposed work is fully designed/created by you the artist. It also acknowledges that if contracted, the artwork design will not change significantly unless approved by the Committee.

Artist Signature

Date
