



**ABOUT THE SCULPTURE GARDEN PROGRAM**  
 2015 to 2016 celebrates the Sculpture Garden Program's fifth temporary one-year exhibition. The City Council's directive to initiate the Sculpture Garden Program has brought art into the community's daily life. The City's vision for the Sculpture Garden is to enhance the community setting by displaying a variety of inspiring artworks. The sculptures will attract viewers and invite dialogue while offering an opportunity to gain understanding and awareness of the visual arts through open access and educational material.

The Cultural Arts Commission serves as an advisory committee and implements programs approved by City Council. The Commission is an advocate of the power art has in creating opportunities for Cultural tourism, economic development, and image building. Cultural and artistic resources enhance the quality of life for individuals living in, working in, and visiting the city.

The Sculpture Garden Program is supported by the City's Public Art Trust Fund. The Trust Fund is funded by a 1% development fee and does not impact the general fund.

**GOALS**

To create a successful temporary Sculpture Garden Program series that will:

- Enhance our City with a variety of unique original artwork
- Be an expression of our theme relating to Manhattan Beach
- Fit the criteria of the Public Art Master Plan

**LOCATIONS**

The completed art work will be prominently displayed at the

- Civic Center Plaza
  - Metlox 13th Street Square
  - Veteran's Parkway
  - Manhattan Beach Art Center entry way
- \*NEW for 2015 - 2016\*



Map of Sculpture Garden



Call to Artists  
 Sculpture  
 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Garden

**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH**

VETERANS PARKWAY • CIVIC CENTER PLAZA • METLOX 13<sup>TH</sup> STREET SQUARE



NOT A STEP CHRISTIAN TEDESCHI

The City of Manhattan Beach Cultural Arts Commission is seeking artwork for the 5th Annual Sculpture Garden Exhibition.

Responding to the City Council's work plan, the Sculpture Garden Program was originated in 2009 as a temporary outdoor exhibition. This program aims to increase interest in our community for public art and offer artists a unique opportunity to showcase their original sculptural work to thousands of Manhattan Beach visitors.

#### SCOPE OF WORK

In winter 2016, the new series for the Sculpture Garden will be installed. The sculptures will be chosen from electronic design concepts submitted by January 9, 2015, 4:00 PM deadline. The Cultural Arts Commission will select finalists to submit a model by February 2015 the final selections will be forwarded to the City Council for final approval. The approved artists will agree to loan their artwork to the City for a 12 month period with ownership rights remaining with the artists.

Artists may choose to use the existing pole and base structure created for the previous sculptures. The City would provide a steel or aluminum pole that is 6 inches in diameter and 12-15 feet tall. The pole serves as a "trunk" for the sculpture to which the artists could securely mount or attach their art piece. If they choose this structure, the pole can be painted,

sculpted or otherwise modified to suit the artwork, provided the structural integrity is maintained. Poles will be supported by a 48-inch pre-cast concrete planter base, with the lower 2 feet of the pole inserted into the base. Artists may choose to construct their artwork around a sleeve which slips over the pole.

Artists are encouraged to be creative in their selection of materials while considering safety requirements common to publicly accessible works of art. Artwork must withstand a public and marine environment, including occasionally windy conditions, for the duration of the exhibit.

#### PROPOSAL

The artist applicant is requested to submit an electronic entry highlighting their work and illustrating a concept for the Sculpture Garden Program. Finalists will be asked to create a 3D model (1" = 1 foot) and sketches of their proposed sculpture and attach it to a 12" W x 12"H square mounting board. A descriptive label must be securely taped to the top of the mounting board with a short explanation of the concept, overall dimensions and proposed materials. Contact information, including name, address, phone number and email address must be securely taped on the bottom.

#### REQUIREMENTS

The sculpture can be any shape, form or design provided a minimum of 7 foot clearance is maintained for pedestrians to walk underneath whenever it extends beyond the base. The City engineers will review each design for safety and wind loading and recommend modifications, if necessary.

#### SUBMITTALS

For initial proposals please submit the following items:

- Electronic proposal to: [mbetz@citymb.info](mailto:mbetz@citymb.info)
- A minimum of three images of current work
- A concept for Sculpture Garden Program.

#### FINALISTS

- Properly labeled 3D scale model, photographs and/or sketches
- A separate single sheet containing the following: Name, address, phone number, and email
- Description of the design concept, dimensions, materials and value
- Incomplete submittals will not be considered

#### ARTIST REGISTRY

To join our artist registry, please include a current resume and images of your other artwork.

#### ARTIST FEE

Selected artists will be compensated with an honorarium of \$3000.00 payable upon installation of artwork and submission of invoice by artist. The art work remains the property of the artist and can be sold and removed after the loan period has ended. The loan period is 12 months, commencing on the opening day of the Sculpture series. The loan period may be extended by mutual agreement. The City may elect to purchase the sculpture and has the right of refusal after the loan period has ended.

Artists who have submitted a proposal agree that the City of Manhattan Beach may display models and reproductions/images for non-commercial, educational, and promotional purpose with credit given to the Artist. The City will affix a plaque to each sculpture showing the Artist's name and title of the artwork. The Artist is responsible for insuring the artwork before and after installation. The City will provide insurance for the piece for the length of the installation.

#### SELECTION PROCESS

Proposals will be selected by the Cultural Arts Commission with recommendations to the City Council for approval. Criteria will include artistic merit, public safety and appropriateness of the artwork and materials used.

#### ELIGIBILITY

The competition is open to anyone who can complete the requirements

as specified, including the designing, fabrication and delivery of the artwork. This project is intended to be artistic in nature. No designs that include advertising, soliciting, campaigning or other promotional or commercially driven entries are eligible.

#### SCHEDULE

Initial proposals are due on January 9, 2014 by 4:00 PM. Late proposals will not be accepted. Submit proposals to: [mbetz@citmb.info](mailto:mbetz@citmb.info)

Attn: Sculpture Garden Program

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact the Martin Betz Cultural Arts Manager at (310) 802-5406 or [mbetz@citymb.info](mailto:mbetz@citymb.info).



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