

# Cody Public Art Mural Project

## REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

**Deadline: Thursday, February 23rd at 9:00 PM MST**

### OVERVIEW

Cody Public Art Committee (CPAC), a committee appointed through the City of Cody, is seeking an artist **who can tell an inclusive story of the Cody region through a bold and colorful mural design**. CPAC was created to enrich the cultural and historical aesthetics of the community for both residents and the many visitors that travel to Cody. Public art defines our society's diversity and is essential to enhancing the social fabric of the region.

The mural will be painted on the By Western Hands building in downtown Cody. The wall is 84 feet by 12 feet, for a total of 1,003 square feet.

This project is funded in part by the Wyoming Cultural Trust Fund.

*Image of the wall:*



### ELIGIBILITY

The call is open to all artists ages 18 and over, regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, military status, sexual orientation, marital status, or physical or mental cognition. Artists must reside in the state of Wyoming.

## BUDGET

\$17,000 inclusive of artist fee, fabrication, installation, and travel expenses. Site prep will be completed by CPAC. CPAC will also coordinate boom lift or scaffolding, if needed.

## SELECTION PROCESS

The selection process will be administered by CPAC with assistance from the Laramie Public Art Coalition. A Selection Committee including a representative from By Western Hands, a local artist, a CPAC representative, an art professional, and a community member will select the artist to complete the project based on artistic merit.

Up to three artists will be selected to create a design proposal. Each finalist will be paid \$400 and present their proposals to the Selection Committee. One artist will be selected to complete their design. The selected artist's design will be approved by CPAC before installation begins.

## SCHEDULE

- RFQ released: Tuesday, January 24, 2023
- Submission deadline: Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 9 PM MST
- Selection Committee: Week of February 27th
- Finalists Notified: By Friday, March 3, 2023
- Finalist Design Presentations: Monday, April 24, 2023
- Final Artist Selected: By Monday, May 1, 2023

Artwork should be completed by the end of June 2023. Timeline is subject to change due to weather and other unforeseen circumstances.

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

RFQ Materials shall include:

- 1. Artist Statement:** Introduce yourself and your artistic practice (Limit to 200 words)
- 2. Media:** 5 digital images of relevant completed artwork. Label images/media: last name of artist, artwork title, installation date. JPGs only.
- 3. Media script:** Short description of each completed artwork submitted as media (Limit to 100 words per artwork). The media script should include the budget of the artwork, if applicable, and any other partners on the project.

The Artist Statement and Media Script should be submitted as **one PDF** labeled as **artistlastname\_artistfirstname**. Images should be submitted as JPGs only. Applications accepted by email only at [hellolpac@gmail.com](mailto:hellolpac@gmail.com). **If in the application materials the artist includes a proposal for the artwork, the application will be disqualified.**

Contact Laramie Public Art Coalition with questions or help with the call:  
[director@laramiepublicart.org](mailto:director@laramiepublicart.org)

### **Cody Public Art Committee**

Under the direction of the City of Cody, the Cody Public Art Committee was created to enrich the cultural and historical aesthetics of the community for both residents and the many visitors that travel to Cody.

Public art is no longer considered a frill or luxury, but rather an element that invigorates creativity, restores character, and stimulates economic growth for a community. Public art defines our society's diversity and is essential to enhancing the social fabric of Cody.

<https://www.codywy.gov/375/Public-Art-Committee>

### **Laramie Public Art Coalition**

The Laramie Public Art Coalition's mission is to enhance the unique visual and cultural vibrancy of Laramie and Albany County, in a manner that encourages participation and engagement from all our citizens and visitors. LPAC is an independent, non-profit 501c3 that provides the greater Laramie community with a structure and inclusive processes to create successful public art projects that reflect the community's identities and values and contribute to Laramie and Albany County's vitality.

<https://www.laramiepublicart.org/>