Open Call for Mural Artists

**Location:** Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

**Description:** This is an open call for artists to design and execute a mural to cover the exterior of the Torpedo Factory Art Center loading dock (rolling door along Union Street, see diagram for measurements.) This call is open to all local and regional professional artists (living in the DMV area). The selected muralist will be awarded $4,000, with a supply budget of up to $2,000. Proposal selection will be conducted by an independent arts professional in consultation with the Torpedo Factory Art Center CEO.

**Selection criteria:**
- Artistic excellence
- Unique design and high visual impact, which will bring vibrancy and freshness to high traffic area
- Content appropriate for all audiences
- Due to local sign ordinances, no words can be incorporated

**Artist Eligibility:**
- Must be 21 years of age or older
- Demonstrated ability and technical knowledge required to execute mural on a unique surface
- Live within DC-metro area (regional artists may be considered, however, there are no travel funds)
- Have experience working on similar projects

**Artist Responsibilities:**
- Executed work must be true to submitted concept design
- Artist must supply any equipment (scaffolding, ladders, etc.) and materials (paint, primer, weatherproofing, etc.) needed for the project
- The Torpedo Factory Art Center will reimburse artist up to $2,000 toward the purchase of supplies. Equipment purchased with TFAC funds remain property of TFAC after completion of the mural.
- Artist must be willing and able to meet all contractual obligations set forth by the Torpedo Factory Art Center

**Timeline:**
- November 1: Mural Call opens to public
- March 31: Deadline for proposals
- April: Proposal review
- May 15: Selection announced
- July / August: Work to be done within one week, to be scheduled with TFAC staff

**Application Requirements:**
- 1 page narrative describing the concept and design of the proposed mural
- Sketches or other visual representations of proposed concept (up to four)
- Resume
- Images of previous work samples (up to 10)
- Image list (titles, mediums, sizes, years)

**Dimensions of loading dock door:**

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182" W
138" H
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IMAGES OF LOADING DOCK AND TORPEDO FACTORY EXTERIOR:

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loading dock, facing east

door detail
loading dock, facing southeast

loading dock, facing northeast