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**Request for Qualifications**  
**Downtown Benches**  
**Deadline – Monday, August 8**  
**11:59 p.m. Mountain Standard Time**

**Description**

The Chandler Arts Commission and Chandler Downtown Redevelopment are looking for an Arizona-based artist or artist team to create 5 decorative benches that can be installed in Downtown Chandler. The bench designs should tie into the courtyard space on the northwest corner of San Marcos Place and Commonwealth Avenue, just north of SanTan Brewery. Possible inspiration could include:

- Current downtown public art projects (pictured above)
- Downtown Chandler and its history
- The Commonwealth Canal

The benches should be created off-site and then installed in downtown by being bolted into the sidewalk. The budget is \$29,000, which will cover all aspects of the project including, but not limited to, design, project management, insurance, materials, creation, transportation, and installation.

Qualification submissions are due by 11:59 p.m. on Monday, August 8, and can be submitted digitally via the webform found here: <https://forms.gle/5FTdTFrSfREahmHB7>

**Submission Criteria – All entries must include:**

1. Current contact information, including email and phone number
2. Digital Images: Up to 5 images can be submitted per team and should include past completed projects. Artists are not required to include a proposed original design at this stage. All images should be included in the .pdf file and be 2000 – 3000 pixels in the longest direction.

In one document:

3. A corresponding image list with all pertinent information, including size, date completed, and materials used.
4. Artist/Artist team members’ biographical information.
5. If available, submit a current resume or curriculum vitae (CV) including artist(s) accomplishments. Resume or CV should not exceed 2 pages. If a resume is not available or does not accurately represent your qualifications, please submit a list of your artistic accomplishments.
6. An introduction not to exceed 500 words explaining your previous completed projects (if applicable) and any inspirations you will draw on for this project.

**This is a request for qualifications, not a request for proposals.** At this time, we are only requiring examples of past work. A small group of finalists will attend a site visit, be given additional information, and be paid a stipend to submit a formal design proposal before a decision is reached.

**Selection Process and Schedule**

All artist submissions will be reviewed by the City of Chandler Arts Commission and City staff. All entries must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on Monday, August 8. The City anticipates selecting one artist or artist team for this project. The timeline for this RFQ is as follows:

<b>August 8</b>	<b>Submission deadline</b>
<b>August 19</b>	<b>All Applicants Notified</b>
<b>September 12</b>	<b>Designs Submitted</b>
<b>September 23</b>	<b>Finalists Notified</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>Contract Finalized</b>
<b>November – December</b>	<b>Finalizing design, production, installation</b>

**Submission Delivery Details**

Submissions must be received by 11:59 p.m. on Monday, August 8. Submissions must be sent digitally via the webform found here: <https://forms.gle/5FTdTFrSfREahmHB7>

**Any incomplete submissions will be rejected.**

**Contact:** Vision Gallery staff, at 480-782-2695 or [vision.gallery@chandleraz.gov](mailto:vision.gallery@chandleraz.gov)

Interested, but need more information? Does this sound daunting? Visual Arts Staff Peter and Caroline are happy to answer any questions you have, go over your submission info with you, and provide feedback. Please don't hesitate to reach out.