

Entry Deadline: March 12, 2018

2018 “Call to Sculptors”

Jefferson, Iowa

Jefferson Matters: Main Street

Home State Bank

Sculpture Competition

“Ring Out For Art”



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RING OUT FOR ART JEFFERSON MATTERS: MAIN STREET

Jefferson Matters: Main Street, Tower View Team and Home State Bank of Jefferson Iowa, are hosting their third annual exhibit of original outdoor sculptures that will be displayed on the Mahanay Carillon Tower plaza within the boundaries of an Award Winning Iowa Main Street District Community. Every second week-end in June, the community hosts The Bell Tower Festival with over 15,000 visitors during the two day event. Jefferson is also home to Iowa's WildRose Casino and Resort drawing hundreds of potential visitors to our downtown district on a monthly basis. The Mahanay Carillon Tower also draws over 8,000 out of town visitors during their summer tourist season.

CALL FOR ENTRIES

Ring Out For Art is open to professional and amateur sculptors of all backgrounds. **Sculptors may submit up to five (5) of your own original sculptures. Entry fee (up to 5 entries) is \$25.00 (non-refundable). All accepted entries must be eligible for public voting and the following subsequent awards: People's Choice Award of \$2,000 for first place, an award of \$1,000 for second place; or an award of \$500 for third place.**

All sculptures need to be made of a durable material for the outdoor setting and constructed with safety in mind for display in a public setting. Incorporating recycled/up-cycled materials is encouraged but not mandatory

All sculptures are owned by the sculptors and loaned to the exhibit from May 15, 2018 through June 30, 2018. During this time, sculptures may be purchased from price set by the artist however may not be removed until after June 30, 2018. During the Bell Tower Festival the Public and the *Ring Out For Art* selection committee will vote for the top three (3) sculptures. Those sculptures awarded will be based on select criteria and artistic merit. These top three sculptures will be on loan to the city of Jefferson and Jefferson Matters: Main Street and will be on display for a period of six (6) months from May 15, 2018 through October 1, 2018 during the Mahanay Carillon Tower's tourist season. Winning sculptures may be purchased during that time but not removed from public view during that time frame.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

This is a juried contest. The *Ring Out For Art* Selection Committee is comprised of visual artists and local business and community leaders. Entries will be critiqued on artistic merit, creativity, public safety and durability in an **outdoor** environment. The Committee will choose only six(6) of the proposed sculptures to display during the Bell Tower Festival - keeping the odds very favorable to the winning artist of a 1 in 6 chance for the top People's Choice Award.

SCULPTURE PLACEMENT

Sculptures must fit within a 4' x 4' square. There is no height restriction. Transportation and installation of sculpture(s) will be the responsibility of the artist. The artist must configure a base that can be secured with bolts into the 4' x 4' concrete and steel base that is provided. **You will need both a steel and concrete bit to secure your sculpture into these provided pads.** These will be located along the north side of the Greene County Courthouse and/or Bell Tower Plaza May 15, 2018 - June 30, 2018. **If chosen as one of the top three winners it will be on display until October 1, 2018 on the Bell Tower Plaza on the provided pads.**



Example of display pads sculptures will be secured to

RING OUT FOR ART 2018 APPLICATION

- One high quality photo of scale model(s) of front and back of each sculpture entry
- If you provide a sketch of your sculpture it must be accompanied with a photo of one or two of your other original sculptures that show a good example of the quality of your work.
- If you are entering a ceramic sculpture, it must be completed, not a work in progress, and be durable for weather.
- If you are entering a fabric sculpture it must be made of materials durable for weather.
- Artist statement explaining the sculpture(s)
- Artist personal biography/resume
- Signed release (included with this information)

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MARCH 12, 2018

Return application with additional information by deadline to:

**Jefferson Matters: Main Street
Ring Out For Art Competition
110 W. Lincoln Way
Jefferson, IA 50129**

Direct Questions to:

Jefferson Matters: Main Street Tower View Team
Peg Raney, Jefferson Matters: Main Street Director
Phone: 515.386.3585
Email: director@jeffersonmatters.org

TIMELINE:

March 12, 2018: Entry postmarked deadline
March 15, 2018: Notification of selection committee results for top 6 entries
May 14, 2018: Sculpture delivery and placement (week of May 14, 2018)
June 8 & 9, 2018: Bell Tower Festival voting for People's Choice Award, Second and Third Place commences
June 9, 2018 : Awards Announcement for People's Choice, Second and Third place (time to be determined)
June 10 - June 30, 2018: Removal of non-winning sculptures
October 1 - 15, 2018 : Removal by artists of winning 2018 sculptures

ENTRY FORM

After you complete the application form and sign and date the Release Provisions, print and mail with a check for \$25 (for up to 5 entries) to Jefferson Matters: Main Street, Ring Out For Art, 110 West Lincoln Way, Jefferson, Iowa 50129. Entry fee is non-refundable.

Name: Address - Street - City - Zip _____

Phone- Email - Web page _____

Name - Height x Width x Depth _____ Weight _____ Material _____

Public Selling Price _____

Sculpture #1 _____

Sculpture #2 _____

Sculpture #3 _____

Sculpture #4 _____

Sculpture #5 _____

You can maintain the public selling price and participate in the People's Choice Award, 2nd place award and 3rd place award categories. I am willing to loan my sculpture to the Jefferson Matters: Main Street program for a period of one year if I am awarded a cash prize that would be inclusive of transport, set up, tear down and any repair or retouch work needed during the duration of the loan. Please circle Yes No

I will allow Jefferson Matters: Main Street, Tower View Team and Home State Bank to use image of winning sculpture(s) in any marketing, brochures and/or advertising campaigns. Please circle Yes No

Release and Indemnification Provisions

The undersigned acknowledges and agrees that Jefferson Matters: Main Street reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to reject any or all entries and to waive any or all formalities for this competition.

The undersigned represents and warrants that the undersigned owns the artwork being entered in this competition and hereby voluntarily assumes full responsibility for any risk of property damage or to any loss or damage to such artwork.

The undersigned hereby waives, discharges claims, and releases from liability Jefferson Matters: Main Street, City of Jefferson, and Greene County, and their respective officers, council members, board of supervisors, directors, employees, agents and volunteers on account of or in any way resulting from participation in this competition and any damage to any artwork entered in this competition.

The undersigned further hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Jefferson Matters: Main Street, City of Jefferson, and Greene County, and their respective officers, council members, board of supervisors, directors, employees, agents and volunteers from any claims, damages, injuries or losses caused while a participant in the *Ring Out For Art* Main Street Art Competition.

The undersigned agrees that these waiver, release and indemnification provisions shall bind myself, my spouse, the members of my family, and my heirs, successors, assigns and personal representatives, and shall be deemed as an agreement to release, waive, discharge, covenant not to sue, and indemnify the so-named people wholly or partly in charge.

Signature

Date

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