



Call for Artists – Outdoor Public Art for the Village of Biscayne Park

The Village of Biscayne Park is a residential community located between North Miami and Miami Shores within Miami-Dade County. It serves an area of approximately .69 square miles with a population of 3,140. The Village provides a full range of municipal services including general government, public safety (police and code compliance), public works, planning and zoning, and parks/recreation. A full community profile can be found on our website at www.biscayneparkfl.gov. We are seeking artists to participate in the Village of Biscayne Park's 2016 Public Art Project, **ART IS IN OUR NATURE**.

- The outdoor sculpture(s) should create excitement and interest for both adults and children in our community and reflect the nature of the Village's park-like setting.
- It should reflect and become a part of the nature, the environment, and the natural world. Our Village is a Bird Sanctuary as well as a home for butterflies, bees, squirrels, and many other living creatures.
- Entries will be judged based on form, concept, originality and interpretation of the theme **Art is in Our Nature**.

Responsibilities of the artist:

1. A Florida resident.
2. A \$30.00 entry fee is required made payable to the Village of Biscayne Park.
3. There will be between one and three winners. Winner(s) will receive the sum total of the number of entry fees minus the opening reception cost. Possible locations for outdoor sculpture(s) include Village Hall, the Ed Burke Recreation Center, and/or the "sculpture park" on the main thoroughfare.
4. The artist shall provide a biography/artist's statement.

5. Up to three samples of different sculptures, showing all angles of the piece including front, back, and details, may be submitted. File format of images must be jpgs that are between 2MB and 5MB each.
6. Submissions must be received by February 15, 2016. Artist's statement and sample images should be emailed to: publicart@biscayneparkfl.gov.
7. Artists selected agree to loan their outdoor sculpture from May 2016-May 2017. Artists will be notified 30 days prior to the removal date.
8. If the artist chooses, the sculpture may be sold during that time, and the park would retain a 10% commission in the same manner as a gallery.
9. Artist shall be responsible for transporting sculpture and providing all materials for installation and de-installation of the artwork.
10. Artist will allow the Village to photograph and publish photos and information related to their artwork. Artist will be recognized at an opening reception, in the Village of Biscayne Park Newsletter, in *The Egret* (tri-village publication), possibly in other regional publications, and on the Village's website.

Each submission will be juried by a panel of selected artists and/or curators, the Village's Public Art Advisory Board, and the Village Commission.

Specifications for the Sculpture(s)

1. Sculpture should be valued at no more than \$30,000.
2. Acceptable materials for outdoor sculptures must be durable and require little maintenance and may be metal, stone, ceramic or any other durable material that will withstand the elements of sun, wind and rain, and the abuse of an outdoor display in South Florida.
3. The Village will not be liable for the degradation of objects caused by the natural degradation of normal wear and tear.
4. It must be safe for interaction with the public, including children and pets, so there may be no rough or sharp edges.
5. The subject matter must be family friendly. Fragile, dangerous, or inappropriate work will not be considered.
6. Outdoor sculptures should be at minimum three feet and maximum six feet in both height and width.