



Dear Artist,

With the continued success of our previous five years Art in the Park Sculpture Walk, Rock Falls Tourism is making preparations for the 6th annual event to be held on **September 2, 2023**. We are now accepting submissions for sculpture art to be on display in our Run, Bike & Walk (RB&W) District along the Rock River. This open space park is used by many organizations and draws people from surrounding communities and states, which will ensure a high amount of visibility for your art throughout the year. The Park is also security monitored, 24 hours a day. The Art in the Park Sculpture Walk is also featured on the Otocast application for smartphones which provides an additional layer of exposure. Artists will be asked to record an audio component for this application, should their sculpture be chosen.

The Rock Falls Tourism Department will be opening the selection process to artists within the rest of the state, as well as surrounding states. The sculptures will be installed in the RB&W Park, on **September 1, 2022**. Artists will be given a \$1,250 stipend and will be able to make their sculpture available for purchase. Artists are encouraged to promote the event and their sculpture throughout the year.

**What we expect:**

- No offensive or inappropriate content
- Sturdy sculptures that can withstand all types of weather
- Base dimensions to stay within 4ftx4ft
- No electrical components to the sculptures
- Able to deliver and install the work on September 1, 2023
- Preferred that you are able to attend the event on September 2, 2023 to discuss your piece with the public
- Artist must submit pictures of the work they want to display
- Artist must make transportation arrangements for the sculpture to the park
- Artist will contact the Department of Tourism in August 2024 to arrange for un-installing their sculpture
- Artist will be the one to install the sculpture and must provide all bolts and any other necessary equipment to do so. The City of Rock Falls may, upon request, be on hand to help place sculptures on concrete pads
- Artist to record audio component for Otocast application

**What you get:**

- \$1,250 stipend for sculpture to remain for 1 year
- One night stay at the Holiday Inn Express & Suites for the night of September 1, 2023 only
- Artist bio and sculpture/artwork information on the Otocast App
- Ability to sell your artwork
- Ability to promote your artwork
- Constant exposure for you and your sculpture/artwork

Upon request, we will provide a boom truck to help place sculptures on pedestals if needed (must notify RF Tourism by August 1, 2022 if needed).

Our selection process will close on **June 1, 2023**. Selected artists will be notified by **July 1, 2023**. Please review the included documents and submit everything on or before **June 1, 2023**, either by mail or as an email attachment to [director@visitrockfalls.com](mailto:director@visitrockfalls.com).



Artist submission form

Contact info:

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Thank you in advance for your submission and we look forward to reviewing them.

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