#### Chicago Sculpture International Announces the

# 2023/2024 Inclusion Fellowship for AALANA or BIPOC identifying Artists/Sculptors

In an effort to expand and enrich our community in 2023/2024, CSI Membership is offering three (3) AALANA or BIPOC fellowships in total. The fellowships will be offered to three (3) new AALANA or BIPOC identifying artists of exceptional promise and interest. Fellowships will cover the cost of one year's membership dues.

#### **Perks**

- Each selected fellow will receive 1 free year of membership for CSI. Membership includes a member page on our website that is viewed by our deep and active sculpture community.
- CSI Project Space participation, apply to show work in collaborative member exhibitions.
- Connection through newsletter and website that includes Calls for Art. You will receive and can send updates to monthly newsletters to help get the word out about any new shows or exhibitions or commissions you may be involved with.
- Opportunity: We offer members opportunities for large scale public art through the Chicago Park District. We created the Chicago Tree Project and offer participation in juried local college-run indoor spaces free of charge.
- Community: Yearly, we offer a member picnic and CSI sponsored event to meet and share ideas.
- Outreach: We facilitate a member's facebook page and an Instagram presence to help you network. We offer the opportunity to be a paid teaching artist through CSI and you can even volunteer to help us run more inclusively by being involved in our many committees and board.
- Support Network: We are sponsored by world renown fabricators, Vector Fabricating. Our members have accomplished sculptural projects from solo exhibitions to winning coveted art-in architecture contracts. Once you begin to look, you will see that we are everywhere. Around the country and even internationally.

We look forward to offering this opportunity to join our talented and accomplished group of national and international sculptors.

## **Application Guidelines**

Completed fellowship submissions must include:

- 1. Résumé of the artist, not to exceed 2 pages
- 2. One or two paragraph statement of interest stating why the fellowship is important to you in your career currently.
- 3. Photo examples will include both previous work/s and installations (minimum 3, maximum 5, with 2 detail images of each individual work max) jpeg format 2MB max, not larger than 2500 pixels on the longest side. Use the naming convention (LastLame,\_FirstName,\_1) Eg. Doe\_John\_1
- 4. Accompanying PDF including thumbnail images, materials, dimensions, date. Eg. Doe\_John\_1, wood, 12" x 16" x 4", 2023.
- 5. Brief artist statement 150 words max and link to website (optional).
- 6. Applications must be submitted electronically via email to karajohnson@chicagosculpture.org. Please use "Inclusion Fellowship ~Name of Applicant" in the subject line. Hard copies of submissions will not be accepted. Selection of artists will be done by juried selection.
- 7. Each artist may submit one application

## For Further Research and Information

chicagosculptureinternational.org

Applicants who have a question after reviewing these instructions may contact the Chicago Sculpture International Membership Chair at karajohnson@chicagosculpture.org

### **Selection Criteria**

- All required application materials are included in submission and received by submission deadline.
  - Artist has created sculptural artworks in any medium. We are looking for both emerging and established artists.
    - Quality of submission, artworks demonstrate artistic vision and interest in sculpture.
      - Artist has interest in participating in CSI opportunities.

# **Selection Committee**

The Selection Committee is composed of sculptors from the CSI network.

# **Timeline**

Call live: April 1, 2023

Application Deadline: May 31, 2023
Selected Fellows Notified: June 21, 2023
Fellowship year begins: July 1, 2023
Fellowship commences: July 1, 2024