Pumpkin Sculptures!

Request For Artists’ Proposals

The Loveland Downtown District and The Loveland Creative District are accepting proposals for Sculptors to be hired for the Downtown Pumpkin Festival - Oct 22nd Noon- 5pm.

We are seeking local creators to be live sculptors the day of the event. The concept? Create a masterpiece using ONLY the materials provided. Each sculptor will receive a pile of pumpkins and gourds of various sizes, shapes, and colors, as well as materials for fastening them together, and some random extra surprises!

Up to eight qualified artists will be chosen to create a sculpture. At the end of the event the sculptures will remain on site to be on display the week of the halloween then “recycled” to feed farm animals at the end of the week.

Because the sculptors will be stationed next to each other for the day, swapping or bargaining of pumpkins, tools and accessories between artists is encouraged.
Each sculptor will be paid a stipend of $500 for the day. Sculptors will need to provide their own tools, limited power will be available on site.

**Design Elements to Consider / Aesthetic Preferences in Your Final Product**

- End result must be suitable for general public viewing
- Visibility from street view
- Immediate visual impact
- Engaging content
- Durability to hold up for one week outdoors and in all weather.
- Incorporating natural and recycled materials are encouraged
- Must be at least 5' tall and fit on the 8' x 8' pallet provided.
- Must be kid friendly in appearance

**Selection Criteria**

- Does the person(s) working on the project have the necessary skills to execute the project?
- Has the artist/artist team completed on time and on budget a project of similar scope?
- Does the proposal show an understanding of the project objective, appropriate scale and desired results?
- Are the materials safe for the space and suitable for the project?
- Can the work be completed within an acceptable time frame?
- Originality and works of art.

**Eligibility**

*Pumpkin Sculpting Event at the Pumpkin Festival* is open to proposals with preference given to Loveland artists or artists with significant ties to the Loveland community.
Application Process

Submit the following materials in this Request For Proposals form:

- Description of past work (similar or otherwise) and why you would like to participate.
- Images and descriptions of previous work that exemplify your skills

Deadline for Proposals

11:59pm, September 1, 2022

Proposals will be juried by a committee of members of the city of Loveland Creative District. Applicants will be notified of acceptance by September 12, 2022.

Please submit your proposals in an email to harper@downtownloveland.org with appropriate images and links attached by the deadline to be considered. All proposal materials must be packaged into one email - separate emails with various links and attachments will not be accepted.