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Hammond Stadium Park Public Art Call 2016: Deadline February 1

Maple Ridge, BC: Artists and artist teams are invited to submit an Expression of Interest to enter into a juried competition for Canadian artists to create new permanent public artwork. The objective of the public artwork is to enhance the resident and visitor experience at Hammond Stadium Park through the placement of a new piece of public art that celebrates the history of sport and the unique heritage character of this park. Hammond is a place with a long historical association with the sport of baseball and the cedar sawmilling industry in Port Hammond. Hammond Stadium Park holds an important role in the community and for sport in Maple Ridge, providing special memories and access to a variety of recreational opportunities. The year-round training facility for minor baseball is located in the historic community of Hammond. Built in 1951, Hammond Stadium was refurbished in 2014. Today the Hammond Stadium Park also includes a community centre, basketball court, tennis court, soccer field and outdoor pool. Deadline for submission is February 1, 2016 at 2:00PM (local time).

Artists are encouraged to familiarize themselves with Hammond Stadium Park by attending a non-mandatory site tour led by City staff on Saturday, January 16, 2016 at 1:00PM (local time). Artists will have an opportunity to learn more and ask questions. The Stadium is located at 20601 Westfield Avenue in Maple Ridge, BC and interested parties will meet at the main entrance of Hammond Community Centre.

The location of designed artwork is limited to the accessible areas outside of the playing field that includes the perimeter chain link fence & posts, paved concrete apron, asphalt path, score keepers cage, light posts and landscape between path and parking (see details in full RFEI on the BC Bid website). The proposed work will utilize the existing parameters of the site, accommodate baseball needs and allow for community engagement as part of the proposal. The artwork will need to be fabricated and installed by December 30, 2016.

Submissions are to be sent electronically to submissions@mapleridge.ca or by mail to the attention of Arts & Community Connections Manager, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, BC, V2X 6A9 by 2:00PM (local time) on February 1, 2016. Full details including submission guidelines are available by downloading the complete Request for Expression of Interest document titled "RFEI-PL15-74 – Hammond Stadium Park – Public Art" from BC Bid at www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca.

The Maple Ridge Public Art Program's goal is to strengthen community identity and culture by developing the 'spirit of place' through the commissioning, collecting and incorporation of unique works of art. Additional information at <http://mrpmparksandleisure.ca/271/Public-Art-In-Maple-Ridge>. For further questions, please contact Yvonne Chui, Arts & Community Connections Manager at 604-467-7415 or [ychui@mapleridge.ca](mailto:yhui@mapleridge.ca).