



City of Ketchum
Ketchum Arts Commission

ART IN CITY HALL 2018 CALL FOR WINTER THEMED ART

INTRODUCTION

The city of Ketchum Arts Commission invites artists to submit up to 5 works of art for consideration for display in the Art in City Hall exhibition in the Ketchum City Hall City Council meeting room. This year the commission has selected “Winter Inspiration” as its theme in celebration of Ketchum’s glorious winter season: its recreational pursuits, wildlife, and landscapes.

Winter in Ketchum and the Wood River Valley stands in stark contrast to the valley’s brief and stunning summer. Both residents and visitors embrace the chilly beauty of the season, taking advantage of the area’s mountainous landscape to ski and snowshoe.

Artists may submit two-dimensional artwork in any media related to the idea of winter. Subject matter may include, but is not limited to, snow, winter landscapes, outdoor recreation, and/or wildlife in winter.

Artists who have previously been selected for Art in City Hall exhibitions are welcome to apply but must submit artwork that has not previously been exhibited at City Hall.

CITY BACKGROUND

The city of Ketchum is located in the Wood River Valley in south central Idaho. Founded in 1880 during the mining boom, Ketchum is now regarded as one of the most popular destinations for winter and summer visitors due to its world-class skiing, mountain biking, fishing, hiking, restaurants, art galleries and shopping. The city of Ketchum hosts the famous annual Wagon Days Parade, held on Labor Day weekend, and numerous other year-round attractions. Ketchum is home to more than 10,000 full- and part-time residents.

In 2012, ArtPlace named Ketchum as one of the top twelve small-town arts places in the US. In 2014 *Smithsonian Magazine* named Ketchum as one of the 20 best small towns to visit in the US.

ABOUT KETCHUM ARTS COMMISSION

The Ketchum Arts Commission (KAC) was created by the City of Ketchum in 2007 with the objective of integrating arts and culture into the community's life. Among its initiatives are Cover Art, the wrapping of utility boxes in downtown Ketchum; Art on Fourth; Street Art, which features manhole covers designed by local artists; and the development of policies and plans for public art in the community. At the KAC’s initiative, the city recently increased its Percent for Art Ordinance for public projects from 1.33 percent to 5 percent, which is believed to be higher than any other city in the country. The commission consists of local volunteers who are active in and passionate about the arts.

ARTIST ELIGIBILITY

The call is open to all artists, regardless of their state of residence, race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, nationality or disability.

Artist should submit original, two-dimensional artwork meeting the specifications outlined below. There is no entry fee.

Artists chosen to exhibit their work will receive a \$350 honorarium. The Art in City Hall exhibition will take place over six months, from December 5, 2017 — May 31, 2018. Artwork displayed in City Hall gets significant visibility as many meetings take place in the meeting room.

TIMELINE

October 6, 2017	Call for submissions
November 10, 2017	Application Deadline
November 17, 2017	Notice of jurors' selections
December 5-8, 2017	Receipt and installation of accepted artwork by City of Ketchum
May 31, 2018	Exhibition closes and artists collect artwork

SPECIFICATIONS

Art in City Hall

- All artwork must be original and must be two-dimensional.
- Outside dimensions of framed work must not be smaller than 16 x 16 in. and must not exceed 60 x 60 in.
- All work must be **framed and ready for hanging** with D-ring hangers mounted to frame.

SELECTION PROCESS

- Artwork will be selected by a jury consisting of Ketchum Arts Commissioners and Advisory Council members.
- Up to three artists will be selected for the exhibition.
- Each artist will be asked to exhibit 1–5 artworks.
- Upon selection of artwork, the City of Ketchum will provide participating artists for Art in City Hall with a loan agreement covering the terms of the loan. Participating artists will complete and sign the loan agreement, and return a copy to the City.
- **Each selected artist will receive a \$350 honorarium.**

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Artists making application should submit:

- Artist name and contact information
- Artist statement
- Up to five jpeg images of original works of art
- A list of information about each work of art, including: title, date, medium and framed dimensions

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

CONTACT AND SUBMITTAL INFORMATION

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