

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

NEWPORT BEACH RONALD REAGAN CENTENNIAL MEMORIAL

The Newport Beach California City Council has authorized the collection of private contributions for a publically owned memorial to President Ronald Reagan in commemoration of the president's centennial in 2011.

It is anticipated that this memorial will take the form of a statue or sculpture suitable for display in an outdoor environment. Newport Beach is a coastal community and the memorial should be crafted with a marine environment in mind.

The budget for the project is \$50,000. This is an all inclusive price including sculpture, base, engraving and delivery to Newport Beach.

The art work must reflect the following specifications:

1. The President should be standing, in a suit and should be smiling.
2. The facial expression should reflect the warmth, accessibility and inherent friendliness of President Reagan, but also capture his quiet dignity, presidential bearing and reflect his global vision and leadership. The recently installed statue of President Reagan in the Capitol rotunda is considered to be an example of successfully accomplishing this objective.
3. The President should be depicted life-size (approx. 6'1"). We understand that this likely means a statue larger than this size.
4. The President should be on a base, approx. 45 inches by 45 inches by 18 inches tall. The base should be designed to hold a plaque on the front with the Presidents name, a quote, and make reference to his service as president and governor. On the sides, the base should have a plaque on the President's right to recognize the donors of the memorial, and on the left, to recognize the city of Newport Beach. Precise wording and names will be provided.
5. The project must be completed and delivered in 2011, as soon as possible.

Interested artists who are able to meet the budget restriction are invited to submit proposals. These will be evaluated by the city and by a committee of donors.

The contract for the successful proposer will be executed with the city of Newport Beach. It is expected that the memorial will be exhibited in Castaways Park, which is a bluff top park overlooking Newport Bay.

Respondents should provide a drawing, specifications and narrative describing the inspiration of the submittal. A separate drawing (larger), of the President's face should also be provided.

In addition, respondents should discuss their approach to the patina of the bronze used in the statue and how it is expected to be affected by the elements in this location. Recommendations as to how to best maintain the lasting beauty of the statue and to protect it from environmental elements such as moisture, birds, etc. should be included.

Respondents should indicate an estimate of the size, weight and base (pad) requirements for locating the sculpture.

It is required that this be an original work created specifically for the City of Newport Beach. Respondents must indicate any plans for additional or smaller editions of the finished work.

Respondents should include a narrative as to the artist's professional qualifications, education, prior exhibitions, awards and a portfolio of comparable work.

Include a schedule for the completion and delivery of the work.

Proposals should be sent to Newport Beach City Manager Dave Kiff at the following address:

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Questions regarding the memorial should be directed to city Cultural Arts Coordinator Jana Barbier at 949 717-3870. jbarbier@newportbeachca.gov.

Proposals are due no later than 12 noon PST on March 23, 2010.