

Artist Brief for Chengdu International Sister Cities Sculptures Creation
and Exhibition Program

Closing Date: 5pm March 28 2018

Vision

To showcase the city of Hamilton as a sister city of Chengdu in an artistic manner.

All of Chengdu's sister cities have been invited to showcase their city through a public sculpture art work. This commissioned sculpture will be on permanent display in a new inner city Eco-park .

The context

Site: Tiangfu Green Lane Project, Tiangfu, Chengdu

Architectural Context:

Tiangfu Green Lane Project is a variety of green lanes of 500 km in total length to be built within the 133 km² ecological area circling the city. Within this a large ring sized open-to-public Eco-park will be created where several large scale sculptures that will have been commissioned are to be installed.

Geographical or social dimensions:

The Tiangfu Green Lane Project is a new Eco environment for the city. It is of large scale and will include an open-to-public Eco park that has several sculptures on permanent display from its international sister cities to allow the citizens of Chengdu to appreciate sister city friendship in an artistic manner.

Commissioning organisations

Sponsor

- Chengdu Municipal People's Government

Organisers

- Foreign and Overseas Chinese Affairs Office of Chengdu
Municipal People's Government
- Chengdu Municipal Urban and Rural Construction Commission
- Hamilton City Council
- Creative Waikato

The brief

This is an open brief to design a large scale sculpture to be manufactured and installed by a third party in a new expansive Eco-park.

All sculptures need to be made for permanent outdoor exhibition. There is no limitation on the size, material, or style of the sculptures. The costs to manufacture the sculptures and the installation of the sculpture will be on Chengdu's part.

The artist must be prepared to travel to the city of Chengdu to be hosted and inspired over 7 days. The artists will then produce a concept or design that will be manufactured and installed by a third party.

The artist has no limitations to the material or scale, all possibilities will be considered. The concept of the work is to respond to Chengdu in the world, and the world in Chengdu and that it speaks of Kirikirioa/ Hamilton.

Chengdu have suggested two scenarios;

1. Recommend a sculptor to Chengdu, who will then be invited to Chengdu to be inspired, they will then submit a design for a tailored art work for the exhibition.
2. Authorise Chengdu to copy a symbolic sculpture in Hamilton by providing them with the design for the artwork and related information.

If approved, the artist will travel to Chengdu between **April 22 and 28 2018** for a 7 day, all expanses paid inspiration visit.

Time Line

Phase 1

March 31 | Artist has been selected and Chengdu informed

April 22 - 28 | Artists make their inspiration trip to Chengdu

Phase 2

August 31 | Artists submit their final concept/design reports

September - November | Manufacturing and setting by Chengdu

Phase 3

Late November | Artists are re-invited for unveiling ceremony

Costs

An economy class ticket for the trip to Chengdu (from April 22 - 28) and local expenses (accommodation, transportation, food etc) will be borne by Chengdu. Once the second trip is confirmed the above cost will also be borne by Chengdu.

Manufacturing and setting of sculpture will be borne by Chengdu. The artists will be responsible for providing Chengdu with the design/concept report so that a third party can manufacture the sculpture.

The Selection Process

Hamilton City Council have enlisted Creative Waikato to oversee this process.

Expression of interest closing date: **Wednesday 28 March at 5pm.**

Late submission will not be considered

Please submit proposals to craig@creativewaikato.co.nz Chengdu

Proposal in the subject heading.

Or

Deliver to ATTN: Craig McClure, 131 Alexandra Street, Hamilton 3204

Submission

Please use the submission form to make your submission to this project. Included should be 1 profile image, 3 - 5 images of artwork examples (current or previous work) and scanned copy of Passport identity page.

For any queries regarding the process, proposal or project please contact Craig at Creative Waikato.

Phone: 027 212 4071

Email: craig@creativewaiakto.co.nz