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Village Manager's Office

## **Fine Arts Commission Looking for Artists for Public Art Program**

The Village of Deerfield is soliciting artwork loans from artists as part of a new rotating public art program. Artists must be willing to loan works of art for public display for up to one year.

The Deerfield Fine Arts Commission will review artwork proposals submitted by artists interested in having their works displayed in the community as part of this public art initiative. The program is soliciting paintings, murals, drawings, and other pieces to be displayed in Deerfield Village Hall, the Public Works Facility, Deerfield Park District facilities, the Deerfield Public Library and other government buildings.

The primary goal of the Deerfield Public Art Program is to publicly display works of art created by local, regional, national and international artists. The art will be displayed for one year in public buildings. The program will select new pieces each year for the selected locations.

The Deerfield Public Art Program is open to all visual artists who meet the following criteria:

- Artists who are professional and of serious intent.
- Artists working in any permanent media.
- Art students working with practicing artists/teachers may be considered.
- Artists must have knowledge of public art. While previous experience in public art is not required, artists should be knowledgeable of materials, techniques, and public art processes.
- Appropriateness of an artist's work for public display. (Appropriateness in terms of scale, material, content and placement.)

All pieces of artwork submitted for display will be reviewed via jury process. The Fine Arts Commission is responsible for reviewing artwork submissions and making a final recommendation to the Village Manager's Office regarding final artwork selections. All selected artwork must be delivered to the village "ready-to-hang" for immediate display.

Artists may submit up to three pieces of art for consideration. Artists must submit a completed application packet for each individual artwork being submitted. The application asks for information about the piece and the artist, a photo of the piece and a liability waiver.

For more information or to find an application packet, visit [www.deerfield.il.us](http://www.deerfield.il.us) or contact Management Analyst David Fitzgerald at [dfitzgerald@deerfield.il.us](mailto:dfitzgerald@deerfield.il.us) or 847.719.7400.

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