

MDACPA

McMinnville Downtown Association Committee for Public Art

Headwater Investment Consulting Sculpture Project, Call to Artists

**Location: First Street between Davis and Evans Streets, McMinnville, OR
408 SE First Street, McMinnville, OR 97128**

Revision: 4 | Date: May 30, 2025

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Headwater Investment Consulting is seeking an artist or artists to create a compelling outdoor sculpture to be placed at the entrance of our professional office. The piece should embody themes related to **water and/or nature**, reflecting a sense of movement, tranquility, and connection to the natural world. The ideal work will be both visually striking and harmonious with the surrounding environment. It should evoke a sense of inspiration and calm for clients, staff, and visitors alike. Artists are encouraged to explore interpretations that incorporate local natural elements, local history, or abstract expressions of water and life. This is a paid commission. We welcome submissions from established and emerging artists, and we are open to a variety of materials suitable for permanent outdoor display.

The founders of Headwater are avid river runners. The name Headwater comes from their love of the rivers of the Pacific Northwest and the South West. They worked as white water raft and dory guides on the Rouge, Salmon, Snake, Owyhee, Grand Ronde, and Colorado Rivers.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Create an approachable art piece attractive to both locals and visitors
- Add visual interest and culture to neighborhood
- Be highly visible from a distance

BUDGET

A maximum budget of \$8,000 is available for the completion of this project. Included within this amount must be transportation of the sculpture to the Site, installation of the sculpture at the site, workman's compensation and liability insurance, transportation to and from site, as well as any necessary artist lodging and meals during the duration of the project.

MDACPA

McMinnville Downtown Association Committee for Public Art

PARTNERS

Headwater Investment Consulting
McMinnville Downtown Association Committee for Public Art (MDACPA)
Final Selected Artist/s

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

To fulfill this call, Artist/s may submit either already completed sculpture/s or concept/s for proposed sculpture/s.

All applications will be reviewed and juried by Headwater Investment Consulting and the McMinnville Downtown Association Committee for Public Art to help ensure the quality of the project and suitability of the concept. Both solo artists and teams of artists will be considered for the project.

To be considered, each of the following must be included with the Artist/s submission:

- Current personal resume of the Artist/s (maximum 2 pages per artist).
- Images of prior sculptures completed by the Artist/s, not more than 10 pages.
- Full contact information for the Artist/s.
- A minimum of 1, but no more than 6 images or sketches, of each proposed sculpture may be submitted.
 - o All images submitted must be labeled identifying the proposed sculpture and the Artist/s, so as to avoid confusion.
 - o Please include a master list of images if the application includes more than one proposed finished sculpture.
- The intended color pallet of the sculpture, if applicable
- An estimated budget for the proposed project since price is a consideration.

In the case of multiple submissions, each proposed sculpture will be judged on its own merits.

SELECTION

From these applications, one to four finalists will be selected and notified. The selected finalists will receive a stipend of \$500.00 to develop a finished proposal if the proposed sculpture is not yet an existing work. The final proposals will be due no later than **Sept 1, 2025**. These proposals will be reviewed by our selection committee which we expect to complete by **Sept. 15, 2025**. Each submitting finalist Artist/s will have an individual Artist/s meeting with the selection committee to present and explain their proposed sculpture. This will lead to the selection of the Artist/s to create or provide the final sculpture. The final selection is intended to be complete and installed before the end of 2025. In the case of unusual, extenuating circumstances, extensions could be available.

APPLICATION SCHEDULE

P.O. Box 622, McMinnville, OR 97128

971-241-9251
mdacpa@onlinemac.com

MDACPA

McMinnville Downtown Association Committee for Public Art

Applications must be submitted to **BOTH** of the following email addresses:

kevin@headwateric.com
mdacpa@onlinemac.com

Applications must be submitted no later than **5:00 PM, July 15, 2025.**

Selection of the finalists is expected to be complete by **Aug. 1, 2025**

Final proposal will be due **Sept. 1, 2025.**

Final selection will be by **Sept. 15, 2025** after finalist interview.

Contract expected by **October 1, 2025.**

Installation TBD.

SITE PREPARATION

Site preparation will be the responsibility of Headwater Investment Consulting. Any required Building permits will be the responsibility of Headwater Investment Consulting. Anti-graffiti coating of the finished sculpture, if needed and once installed, is to be provided by Artist/s.

AUDIENCE

- McMinnville area citizens and visitors enjoying our fair city
- Tourist visitors: food, wine, history & travel enthusiasts exploring McMinnville

WHAT EFFECT DO WE WANT THEM TO HAVE?

- Appreciate a unique piece of art.
- Appreciate the sculpture's addition to our City.
- Feel safe and confident in traveling by foot around the McMinnville downtown area

CONTACTS FOR QUESTIONS

Kevin Chambers, Headwater 503-565-2100

Steven Rupp, MDACPA 971-241-9251

MDACPA

McMinnville Downtown Association Committee for Public Art



Headwater Building

