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## **City Issues Artist Call for World of Bluegrass 2014**

The City of Raleigh's Office of Raleigh Arts is inviting visual artists to submit qualifications for a temporary outdoor public art installation to coincide with the International Bluegrass Music Association's (IBMA) World of Bluegrass 2014. The event, an annual homecoming of the bluegrass music community, will be held Sept. 30-Oct. 4 in Downtown Raleigh.

The project budget for the selected public art commission for the World of Bluegrass 2014 is \$25,000, inclusive of all expenses including but not limited to design, fabrication, installation, de-installation, travel, taxes and fees.

"Integrating a public art project with IBMA's World of Bluegrass 2014 week highlights Raleigh's creative spirit and commitment to inspiring its citizens and visitors with new and innovative ideas, while at the same time emphasizing the partnership between Raleigh and IBMA that helped make the first World of Bluegrass in Raleigh such a success," said William Lewis, executive director of PineCone-the Piedmont Council of Traditional Music.

The selected artist/team will design, fabricate and install a temporary work of art that will engage residents and visitors in the celebration of bluegrass music, its importance as a cultural mainstay of American history, and the festivities associated with World of Bluegrass 2014. The artwork must utilize and enhance the space adjacent to and surrounding the iconic Sir Walter Raleigh statue in front of the Raleigh Convention Center at the corner of Cabarrus and Salisbury Streets. Eligible artists must have demonstrated experience in producing public art events or installations in an outdoor setting.

All submissions must be delivered digitally to the City's Office of Raleigh Arts by Jan. 17 at 5 p.m. For application guidelines, visit the City of Raleigh's website at [www.raleighnc.gov/arts](http://www.raleighnc.gov/arts) and search for "artist calls."

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The Office of Raleigh Arts supports and promotes the arts in Raleigh by administering the programs of the City of Raleigh Arts Commission and the City's Public Art and Design Board, and supporting the Pullen and Sertoma arts centers. The Office of Raleigh Arts is a part of the City of Raleigh Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department.