



Call for Submissions – Haisla Bridge Art

Call for Submissions:

The District of Kitimat, in collaboration with the Haisla Nation, is welcoming artists from the Haisla Nation to submit their design(s) for a series of eight (8) lit line art panels for the new Haisla Bridge. The eight (8) selected designs are to be the eight (8) *existing and historic* Haisla Clans (Eagle, Beaver, Crow, Killer Whale, Wolf, Frog, Raven, Salmon). The art will be permanently installed on fabricated aluminum back-lit panels. *Note the existing clans are Beaver, Raven, Eagle, Killer Whale/Salmon and the memorial clans are Crow, Frog and Wolf.*

The panels will be installed in pairs at four locations on the bridge. The panel dimensions will be approximately 1.7 meters (5.6 ft) wide, 0.75 meters (2.4 feet) high. The line art will serve as cut outs in the fabricated panels. The size on the line cut outs will typically be 5-10 mm in width. Please take into consideration that lines must be sufficient for light to pass through. The detail of the original concept design may require modifications depending upon the fabrication requirements. All aspects of fabrication and installation of the artwork will be managed by the District. *See attachment A for an example of lit line art panels.*

Interested Haisla artists are asked to submit their proposed line art with crisp lines, no shading, and no colour.

Representatives from the Haisla Nation and the District of Kitimat will collaboratively determine the successful artist(s). Up to eight (8) artists may be selected or one (1) artist may be selected for all eight panels.



An example of similar-styled artwork from the Osborne Street Bridge in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Artists will be compensated \$3,000 per panel to a maximum of \$24,000 if selected for all panels.

Submission Process:

A short bio must be submitted with artist's name, email, phone number, mailing address, social media information (if applicable), title of art, any additional information on art, any additional information on artist.

Art and bio must be submitted by November 15, 2022 at 11:00 a.m., via email to engineering@kitimat.ca or in person to Holly Thomopoulos at 270 City Centre, Kitimat, BC, V8C 2H7.

If submitting via email

- Submit high quality jpg or tiff files;
- For computer generated line art, please provide the original application file along with a PDF for viewing;
- For hand drawn original art, please submit scans at a minimum 1,200 dpi;
- Save your submissions as separate files, with your last name, Smith_Art_1, Smith_Art_2, etc;
- Please email the submissions as separate files, due to potential size limits on email servers

If submitting hard copies

- Affix labels on every hard copy with your last name; Smith_Art_1, Smith_Art_2, etc;
- Do not submit originals

Judging criteria:

The art must be a depiction of one of the following Clans: Eagle, Beaver, Crow, Killer Whale, Wolf, Frog, Raven, Salmon. Artists may submit multiple designs. The art must be line art with crisp lines, no shading, and no colour.

Based on the line art submitted to this call for submissions, the artwork will be judged based on the following elements:

- Completeness of submission (bio and properly labeled art)
- Suitability for fabrication, lines sufficient for light to pass through
- Use of space
- Proportion, dimension, ability to scale to the finished size of 1.7 meters (5.6 ft) wide, 0.75 meters (2.4 feet) high
- Creativity and originality
- Quality of artistic composition and design

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The call for submissions closes on November 15, 2022 at 11:00 a.m., and only successful artists will be notified at the contact information supplied in their bio.