

Calling All Kanawha Valley Artists: Supreme Court Wants Art for New Learning Center

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. – The Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia is working with Charleston Creative Connections to commission two pieces of art for a West Virginia Judicial Learning Center being developed at the West Virginia Capitol.

This art project is funded through grant funds from the Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation, so this opportunity is open only to artists in the Kanawha Valley area. Interested artists must apply by completing the application found <u>HERE</u>.

The artwork will be located in hallways near the Supreme Court of Appeals courtroom. Each piece must be appropriate for exhibition indoors and approximately 60" wide x 42" tall. The artwork must be court-centric and appropriate for all ages.

The primary target audience for the West Virginia Judicial Learning Center is school-aged children, but the center will be open and available to all visitors to the Capitol. The learning center will provide an interactive environment to promote education about important legal concepts, careers within the judicial branch, and a basic introduction into the structure of the state court system

RFQ documents must be submitted by Friday, June 23. Up to three semi-finalists will be notified July 11 and will be paid \$200 each to prepare a design/drawing of their proposed artwork to be created for this project. Designs are due August 21.

The West Virginia Judicial Learning Center Project Committee will recommend two finalists to the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia for approval. Finalists will be notified September 18.

Two artists will be awarded a commission of \$2,200 to create their proposed artwork. That amount includes all artist fees, materials and transportation and delivery of the completed artwork to the learning center by November 8. An on-site contractor will install the artwork under the guidance of the artist.