



COMPASS DIVERSIFIED

Community Artworks Project
Costa Mesa Workspace
RFP



Prepared in consultation with Arts Orange County.
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Summary of Opportunity

- ▶ Compass Diversified recognizes that place and space design within the office environment plays an important role when thinking about the health and wellbeing of employees. Creating a place where employees are proud to come into work underpins the way we do business. At the end of 2021, Compass moved into a newly designed office space in Costa Mesa. We are now looking to partner with local community artists to design pieces of art that will hang/stand in our office space.

Objectives

- ▶ Compass Diversified owns and manages a diverse range of middle market businesses. The output will be to create artistic representations that capture not only the values of Compass but DNA of the company as well as the essence of the businesses we own. It is also important that Costa Mesa City and Orange County are represented, as we are proud of the local community where we live and work and desire to be a trusted partner of the community.

Themes

Ideas for themes are:

- ▶ Authenticity - capturing our people and our businesses- We like the idea of recycled materials being integrated into the piece (empty Sterno cans, old Marucci/Victus baseball bats, etc. as we own these subsidiaries, and this would tie them into our art pieces). Visit compassdiversified.com to learn more about us and our subsidiary companies.
- ▶ Storytelling - captures the interest of guests and ignites conversation about the history of Compass
- ▶ Local Community- acknowledgement of the city and community we live and work in

Eligibility

- ▶ Artist must live and/or work in Orange County.

Budget

- ▶ Compass Diversified is offering up to a budget of \$55,000 for two works; to include artists fee, materials, delivery, installation, and all other costs associated with the project.

Management

- ▶ Compass Diversified has engaged Arts Orange County, the county's officially-designated non-profit arts council, to facilitate and manage the selection of candidate proposals.

Project Timeline

- ▶ May 6, 2022 - Opening of Submissions
- ▶ May 31, 2022 - Close of Submissions
- ▶ June 6-10, 2022 - Select artists contacted to confirm interest and eligibility for second-round consideration
- ▶ June 10, 2022 - Selection Panel Meeting decides official top choice as well as alternates
- ▶ June 15, 2022 - Artists notified of status
- ▶ September 20, 2022 - Installation required to be completed
- ▶ September 29, 2022 - Artist required to attend opening reception.

Submission Process

- ▶ Arts Orange County will use the submission platform SlideRoom to manage the submission and jury process. Visit artsoc.slideroom.com between May 6 and May 31.

Selection Process

- ▶ Arts Orange County will facilitate a review and selection meeting attended by a panel consisting of Compass Diversified representatives and, potentially, outside experts/consultants well-versed in public and visual art.

Scope of Work

- ▶ The Compass office has a neutral, cool scheme throughout (grays, whites, blacks), so keeping the piece relatively neutral is preferred. However, adding some warmer neutrals (creams, beiges) and a pop of color in the blue or gold family would be ideal.
- ▶ 20ft x 5ft horizontal piece to hang on the empty, white wall in the photo here (shown from two angles):



- ▶ 6ft x 5ft vertical piece, of similar style/color palette, to hang on the empty white wall here (shown from two angles):



Submission Requirements

The application will ask for the following:

- ▶ Statement of idea and vision (How you plan to capture each of the themes)
- ▶ Delivery logistics
- ▶ Breakdown of costs including estimates of material costs and artist's time costs.
- ▶ 2 to 8 images, including examples of previous work and sketches of proposed work
- ▶ Artist's C.V. and bio
- ▶ Artist's Statement including: How you contribute to the local community and what community means to you

Contact

- ▶ For questions and assistance in the submission process, contact Arts Orange County Program Coordinator Nicholas Thurkettle - nthurkettle@artsoc.org, 714/556-5160 x14
