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Call for Artists for Twiggs Circle Original Sculpture

Augusta, GA - The Greater Augusta Arts Council is requesting proposals from qualified sculptors or artist teams to create a unique, durable, low-maintenance, meaningful sculpture to be placed in the center of the fully landscaped Twiggs Circle traffic roundabout in Augusta, GA.

The purpose of the sculpture is to create a highly visible, visually pleasing addition to the historic Golden Blocks. The Golden Blocks project highlights the rich cultural legacy of the historically Black neighborhoods of Laney Walker and Bethlehem. The sculpture is intended to last for 50 years in good condition and incorporate the conceptual theme of the History of Augusta's Black Medical Community.

The selected artist will receive a stipend of \$15,000 to cover expenses associated with the envisioning, creation, transport and installation of the sculpture. Applications close on June 1, 2022. The installation will begin in December of 2022. Applications and more information can be found by visiting https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=10216.

The request for proposals is open to all professional sculptors and artist teams residing in the Southeast region of the United States (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee). All members of any team that applies must be at least 18 years of age and reside in the United States.

Artists who apply for this call are strongly encouraged to research the history of Augusta's Black Medical Community. In depth questions about Black History in Augusta can be answered by Corey Rogers, Historian at the Lucy Craft Laney Museum, 706-724-3576, or email ocur761@gmail.com.

This sculpture call is made possible by a generous grant from Georgia Rehabilitation Institute, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation that serves to better the lives of persons with disabilities and the elderly population in the Central Savannah River Area (CSRA). This request for proposals is part of the Golden Blocks public history through public art place-keeping project, a collaboration between the Greater Augusta Arts Council, the Lucy Craft Laney Museum of Black History, and the Augusta Housing & Community Development Department. The Twiggs Circle roundabout is part of the Augusta Housing & Community Development Department's Laney Walker/Bethlehem Revitalization Area.

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The mission of the Greater Augusta Arts Council is to enrich the quality of life for citizens and visitors of the Augusta River Region by advancing vibrant cultural arts.