

Call for Artists: Exceptional Tabletop Sculptures

CALL SUMMARY

We are seeking artists to create centerpiece sculptures for an upcoming gala. The pieces will be included in our silent auction featuring a curated collection of these extraordinary tabletop sculptures.

This is an opportunity for artists to showcase distinctive, gallery-quality work before an engaged audience of collectors, philanthropists, arts supporters, and community leaders.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

We welcome submissions of original, highly creative sculptural works designed for display on a center dinner table. The base should be no wider in diameter than 13 x 13 inches. The sculpture should be designed with the visibility of seated guests in mind—so should be up to 13" wide at base and can be up to three feet tall but should taper just below sight level (ie at about 12") and then must be no wider than 5 inches to accommodate visibility of dinner table guests. These are centerpieces at a dinner of passed tapas and must allow for movement of food around the table and visibility of guests.

THE GALA

Selected works will be presented as part of a curated silent auction at an elegant gala event.

We look forward to discovering extraordinary sculpture and creating an auction collection that celebrates the talent, imagination, and craftsmanship of today's artists. Artists are invited to join the sponsored ticket waitlist for the anniversary gala celebration. Sign-up is in the application.

Gala Date: November 7, 2026, 6p.



Please address any questions to info@frederickartscouncil.org

Application deadline: October 1st, 11:59p

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PREFERRED WORKS

- Contemporary and modern sculpture
- Abstract or representational works
- Figurative sculpture
- Handcrafted or mixed-media sculpture
- Bronze, stone, ceramic, glass, wood, metal, resin, or innovative materials
- Elegant works suitable for home, office, or collection after dinner event
- One-of-a-kind works or exceptional limited editions
- Pieces that demonstrate a high level of craftsmanship, artistic vision, and presentation

We are especially interested in visually compelling pieces with a strong sense of presence—works that will immediately capture attention in a gala setting and inspire bidders.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Please submit:

- Artist name and biography
- Images of the proposed sculpture design
- Title, dimensions, materials
- Suggested retail/market value
- Artist website or portfolio
- A brief description of the work

FAC will set the starting bid price and Artist will have 50 percent of sale.

ELIGIBILITY

We invite submissions from established as well as emerging artists



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