



Request for Artist Proposals: Second Annual Painted Rain Barrel Project

The City of Georgetown Water Conservation Team would like to commission artists to design and paint rain barrels.

Application Deadline: Aug. 31

2023 PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Beginning Aug. 1, 2023, the City of Georgetown's Water Conservation Team will invite artist proposals for the Painted Rain Barrel Project. These rain barrels will be placed around downtown Georgetown during the October arts events, then auctioned off to community members, with proceeds going to Water Conservation education and outreach efforts.

ELIGIBILITY:

This opportunity is open to all artists and student artists.

BUDGET:

A \$150 minimum bid will be placed on all rain barrels. Artists will receive a stipend of \$100.

INSTALLATION DATE:

Rain Barrel installations will be completed by Oct. 11, 2023.

APPLY:

Applications will be submitted through [Submittable.com](https://artsgeorgetown.submittable.com/Submit) from Aug. 1 to 31, 2023: <https://artsgeorgetown.submittable.com/Submit>

SELECTION:

From the proposals submitted by the deadline, the City of Georgetown Water Conservation Team and Arts and Culture board will select 10 finalists from the total number of submissions. Artists will be notified on final selections by the Water Conservation Team by September 13.

APPLICATION FEE:
None

Questions: Contact Tiffany Diaz at tiffany.diaz@georgetown.org

ABOUT THE PAINTED RAIN BARREL PROJECT:

The City of Georgetown's Water Conservation Team is looking to bring awareness to sustainable watering resources with the vibrant addition of art to rain barrels. The second annual painted rain barrel event will coincide with the Georgetown Arts and Culture Board's Art Stroll, Arts Festival, and the Water Conservation Team's "Imagine a Day Without Water" events in October 2023. The barrels will be displayed around City facilities and local businesses downtown, before and during the Arts Festival. All painted barrels will be available to purchase via a silent auction that will run through the course of the Art Stroll and Arts Festival.



DESIGN GUIDELINES:

Artists have creative liberty and are encouraged to paint an original design.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Up to (30) proposals will be selected by the Georgetown Arts and Culture Board for consideration and final selection by the Georgetown Water Conservation Team based on the following criteria:
 - Quality of artistic composition
 - Creativity of design

- Artistic ability as demonstrated in examples of work submitted
- Willingness and ability to meet contractual guidelines and deadlines
- Ability to fulfill submission guidelines

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

Each artist may submit three designs for consideration. The following will be submitted online through Submittable at

<https://artsgeorgetown.submittable.com/Submit>:

- Contact information
 - Full name
 - Address
 - Telephone number
 - E-mail address
- Image(s) of proposed design
- An artist statement describing experience and interest in art for a City of Georgetown event and your interest in water conservation.

ANTICIPATED TIMELINE:

- Call for Artist Entries – August 1 – August 31
- Proposals will be recommended by the Georgetown Arts and Culture Board in September to the Georgetown Water Conservation Team
- Georgetown Water Conservation Team to select 10 proposals to commission; Artists will be notified of the final selection by September 13
- Artist contracts to be signed upon receipt of their prepped, blank barrel on September 15 and 16.
- Barrels to be completed and dropped off on October 6 and 7.