



# Call for Artists

2017/18

**Sculpture Exhibition**

Moab, Utah ~October 14, 2017

**Deadline August 18, 2017**

**Overview:** Moab is a world renowned destination town in the high desert of the southeastern corner of Utah. Over a million visitors a year come to Moab lured by the stunning landscape, two national parks and myriad of outdoor activities available. Known as the "Adventure Capitol of the World", Moab also has a vibrant and growing art scene that the community, city and county are enthusiastically investing in.

In 2015 Moab ArTTrails, with the help of a group of dedicated patrons, made a gift of four sculptures to the community that were permanently installed on the walking and bike bridge across the Colorado river. The gift was given as a show of commitment to public art and to rally support for the launching of a yearly sculpture exhibition.

With strong support from the community, City of Moab and Grand County, Moab ArTTrails is pleased to invite artists to apply for consideration to be featured in the first annual Moab ArTTrails Sculpture Exhibition.

**Up to ten artists** will be chosen to display sculptures along a walking path through central Moab for the period of one year starting October 14, 2017. Installation will coincide with the Red Rock Art Festival & Street Fair and a walking tour with artists and public is scheduled that afternoon. Artists may submit up to 2 pieces for consideration and selected artists will receive a **\$500 honorarium**.

**Mission:** Moab ArTTrails is a non-profit organization whose aim is to improve the lives of community members, inform and enrich visitor experience in the area and preserve the vibrant culture and resilient beauty of place through the exhibition and procurement of artworks for the public's permanent collection. In keeping with this goal, **Moab City and Grand County have committed to purchasing a piece from this exhibition valued up to \$10,000** for the permanent collection.

## Benefits

- All selected artists will receive a \$500 honorarium.
- Downtown accommodations will be provided for the nights of Oct.13-14 with an option for a homestay with local Moab patrons of the arts.
- Artists will be introduced and recognized at a reception held in their honor the night of Oct. 14.
- Promotional plaques including artist's website will be created for and installed with each piece.
- Artists will be featured on the Moab ArTTrails website

## Artwork

- All artwork must be an original creation by the artist and available for sale.
- Sculptures shall no less than 5'6" in height and no more than 6' in width or depth.
- Sculptures must be mounted, before delivery, to a suitable steel base(1/4in thick minimum) with at least 3 evenly space 1/2in bolt holes
- Moab ArTTrails will receive a 25% commission for all pieces sold during the exhibition or as a direct result of the exhibition.

Selection Any and all artists are invited to submit up to 2 pieces for consideration. A selection committee comprised of visual artists, civic representatives, business leaders and members of the community will select the winning pieces based on the following criteria:

- **Quality:** first and foremost pieces must exhibit artistic excellence in conception, composition and execution.
- **Durability:** must be able to withstand the elemental forces of the high desert and vandalism with a minimum of maintenance.
- **Safety:** Works of art shall not create inordinate safety concerns for the general public, Moab ArTTrails or the City of Moab.
- **Fit:** As all selected pieces will be considered to become part of the permanent collection, aesthetic relevance to the surroundings and unique personality of the community will be considered.

People's Choice Through the duration of the exhibit, residents and visitors will be encouraged to vote for which sculpture they like the most. The winner will be the **"People's Choice"** and will **receive a \$1000 award**. The Ballot for peoples' choice will include a narrative section which can help guide city planners in the feedback for development of the public collection and the public spaces that are important to community and deserving of artistic commemoration.

## Timeline:

- Call for Artists- **June 1, 2017**
- Deadline for Submissions- **August 18, 2017 before midnight MDT**
- Notification of Selection- **September 2-9, 2017**
- Installation and artists reception- **October 14, 2017**

**Submission Requirements:** Please submit the following:

- Completed application
- Up to four quality jpeg images for each sculpture submitted(front, back, side, other).
- Name files with artist name, entry number and image number. E.G: smith1.1.jpg, smith1.2.jpg, smith2.3.jpg, etc..
- Moab ArTTrails reserves the right to use images of selected artwork for publicity.

To submit by mail with a paper application and images on CD or thumbdrive send to:

**MARTT 2017 Exhibition  
Hc64 Box 1711  
Castle Valley, Ut, 84532**

Material sent by mail will only be returned if SASE is provided.

To submit electronically: Attach all documents to email and send to:

**[info@moabartrails.org](mailto:info@moabartrails.org)**

For questions or additional information contact Michael Ford Dunton, Martt Executive Director at [michael@moabartrails.org](mailto:michael@moabartrails.org) , 435-259-2709 or Christy Williams, Martt Creative Director at [Christy@moabartrails.org](mailto:Christy@moabartrails.org)  
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Artist Application 2017

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Sculpture Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Media: \_\_\_\_\_

Dimensions: \_\_\_\_\_ Selling Price: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Statement: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Installation requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

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Brief Statement: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Installation requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

Artist will receive a \$500 honorarium for the work to be displayed for one year awarded after installation Oct. 14, 2017. Artist is responsible for transportation the work and assistance in installation. Artist certifies that his/her artwork is original and available for purchase. The artist certifies that works are soundly constructed of durable and sturdy materials, are suitable for public outdoor display, are constructed in a way which will not cause safety or liability problems and will not require any additional maintenance or cleaning during the one-year display period. Moab Art Trails(marrt) reserves the right to reject work that differs from the selected sculpture or does not meet standards of durability, safety and quality. Marrt is responsible for securely installing all artwork. Marrt reserves the right to make all installation/placement decisions and make emergency repairs to works when necessary, with consultation from the artist. The City of Moab shall obtain and maintain general liability and property casualty insurance coverage. Marrt will make a reasonable effort to market works exhibited and distribute informational materials. The artist agrees that Marrt will handle all sales and that Marrt will retain a 25% commission for any artwork purchased during or as a direct result of the exhibit.