



Expression of Interest (EOI):

Bioclean Aquatic Centre Public Art Project

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City of Lloydminster, Public Art Programme

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Intent

The City of Lloydminster is looking to commission an artist or artist team to create a 3-dimensional artwork for the southwest corner of the Bioclean Aquatic Centre (herein referred to as BAC), located inside Bud Miller All-Seasons Park.

Eligibility:

This opportunity is open to Canadian artists. Artists may be at different stages of their careers exploring a diverse range of media.

Artists are not expected to project manage installation for this project, but may be required to be onsite during installation.

Background:

The City of Lloydminster is proudly situated on the Alberta/Saskatchewan border, along the Yellowhead Highway (Highway 16) between Edmonton and Saskatoon. The community is Canada's only official border city and is home to over 32,000 residents situated on both sides of the provincial border. The City is home to a variety of public parks and recreation facilities.

The largest park is Bud Miller All-Seasons Park (BMASP), located in the southwest corner of Lloydminster, frequently visited by residents, visitors and tourists each year. Established in 1986, this 200-acre greenspace is noted for its lake views, abundance of natural forested areas, and diversity of recreation opportunities. The Park also plays host to many special community and private events such as weddings, picnics, community runs, and municipal Canada Day celebrations.

Located in the heart of BMASP is the Bioclean Aquatic Centre (BAC). Lloydminster's only public indoor pool comprises a wave pool with a waterslide, a lane pool, a hot tub, a steam room, and a sauna.

Concept Design:

The desired artwork should align with the goals outlined in the Bud Miller All Seasons Park Masterplan (hereinafter 'Masterplan'). The Masterplan is found on the City of Lloydminster website (<https://www.lloydminster.ca/council-administration/reports-studies-and-plans/>). Concept proposals can refer to section 4.8.8 of the Masterplan by ensuring that design elements are either "harnessing natural processes such as wind or water, elements that set of scenes of nature, or frame a view."

- Written Art Concept/Proposal: Must cite the BMASP Masterplan.
- Location: Between the Bud Miller All Seasons Park pond and the BAC.
- Themes of water and nature will be prioritized.

Site Information:

Three (3) potential sites have been identified for sculpture installation. The selected artist will work with the City of Lloydminster's Public Art Advisory Committee to select the most suitable location for their work.

The project sites were selected for visibility, ease of public access, safety, and vehicular access during the installation process.

The site will support various artwork applications including a single three-dimensional artwork or an installation consisting of multiple 3D pieces relating to one another in meaningful ways.

BMASP is a high-traffic, family-friendly space and often sees minimally supervised youth. Vandalism is frequent.

In the event that the proposed artwork is within the 'Option C' area, the sculpture cannot obscure the windows of the Bioclean Aquatic Centre or block the building's only source of natural light.

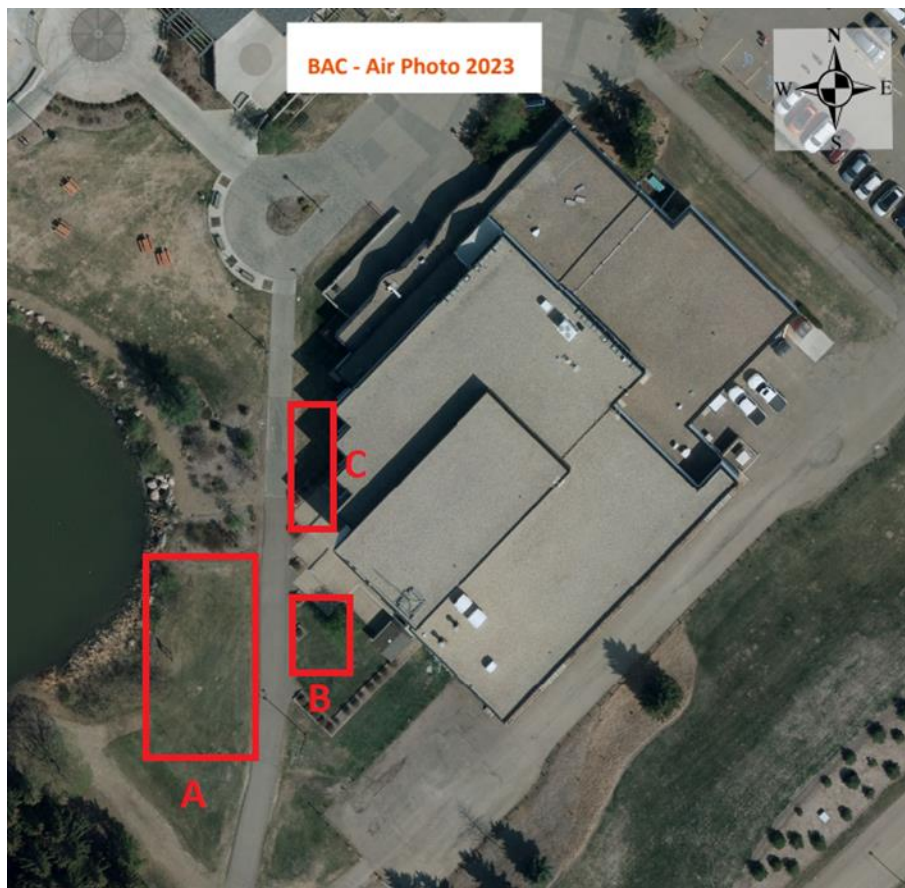


Figure 1: Aerial of BAC Facility.



Figure 2: Option A, Beside Pond



Figure 3: Option B, Beside BAC Building



Figure 4: Option C, In Front of BAC Windows

Selection Process:

This Expression of Interest is the first of a two-phase commissioning process and the artist selection will be undertaken by the Public Art Advisory Committee (PAAC).

Note: The City of Lloydminster reserves the right to alter this timetable. Dates are subject to change. Alternatively, artists may suggest changes that suit schedules for the development of artwork.

Please note, that the City of Lloydminster reserves the right to alter or terminate the project at any point. Once a conceptual drawing is submitted and accepted by the Committee, the ownership of the idea, drawing, and intellectual property rights belong to the City. The City has ultimate determination and discretion on the final design to be constructed and installed (for safety, maintenance and other purposes). The artist will receive full credit for their ideas and concept.

Phase 1 – Expressions of Interest

The PAAC will review all eligible Expressions of Interest submissions with the goal of shortlisting up to three (3) artists or artist teams/groups for further consideration.

Site Visit is scheduled at 1:00pm M.T. on Tuesday, May 13th. Applicants will meet at the front entrance of the Bioclean Aquatic Centre – 2902 59 Ave, Lloydminster, AB.

Schedule:

Call to Artist Released	May 2, 2025
Site Visit to the Bioclean Aquatic Centre (BAC)	May 13, 2025 @ 1pm
Deadline for Questions	May 27, 2025 @ 5pm
Call to Artists Closed	June 3, 2025
Artist Presentations (High-level)	June 10 th @ 4:30pm
Shortlisted Artists Selected and Contacted	June 13, 2025

Phase 2 - Concept Proposal

Once identified, the shortlisted artists/teams will be invited to prepare a concept proposal for presentation to the PAAC. Each completed and delivered Concept Proposal will receive a stipend of \$300.

Schedule:

Concept Proposals and Artist Presentations	June 24 th @ 4:30pm
Artist Selected and Contracted	Friday, July 4th
Final Detailed Design Package	TBD

Phase 3 – Implementation

Involves the deliverables of installation at the site. Project management will be the responsibility of the City of Lloydminster; however, the successful artist/team will provide a timetable for fabrication and installation. It is the desire to hold a celebration or unveiling event following the installation of the artwork.

Installation	TBD
Unveiling Ceremony	TBD

How to Apply:

Please submit by June 3, 2025 via email to publicart@lloydminster.ca

Your application will take the form of an Expression of Interest. This includes:

- **Contact information:** full name, email, address, and phone number;

- **Letter of Interest:** Approximately 250-word letter responding to what excites you about this opportunity, public art, and what significance or impact this project could have;
- **Sample Artworks:** Provide images of your past work (5-10) with descriptions and dimensions to help us understand your interests and experience;
- **Artist Bio:** Tell us who you are, your artistic career, qualifications, and any accomplishments you feel are important to share.
- **Concept:** A high-level description of the sculpture, with information to how it relates to the landscape of Bud Miller All Seasons Park. Must cite BMASP Masterplan.

Detailed designs are not necessary at this stage of procurement; however, the PAAC is open to conceptual sketches.

Project Budget:

Please ensure that the total cost of the project is included in the proposal, including artist fees, project expenses, fabrication costs, delivery (if applicable) and insurance.*

The City of Lloydminster will cover costs related to project management and installation such as site preparation and transportation.

*Please note, the insurance requirements for artists/teams are as follows:

- Installation floater at least to the amount of the value of the piece being installed.

Questions & Inquiries:

If any artist has inquiries about this EOI, they should submit them by **email**, no later than the date set out above as the Recommended deadline for questions, referencing in the subject line the opportunity name **Bioclean Aquatic Centre Public Art Project** to:

Email: publicart@lloydminster.ca

Staff: Natalie Clysdale, Manager, Lloydminster Museum + Archives