

RFP for Exterior Sculpture – Dayton Convention Center

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The Montgomery County Convention Facilities Authority

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Responses Due By October 25, 2024

Exterior Sculpture Project

Location Dayton, Ohio

Installation March 2025

Background on Dayton

Dayton, Ohio is a thriving community with a diverse population. Dayton is the Birthplace of Flight and Funk. Known as the Gem City, Dayton has a long history of innovation, with notable innovators including the Wright Brothers. Dayton is located at the convergence of Five Rivers and part of the Great Miami Riverway.

Dayton is home to Wright Patterson Air Force Base, which houses the National Museum for the United States Air Force. Dayton was the center of the Bosnian Peace Agreement in 1995 (Dayton Accords) which ended the war in Bosnia.

Dayton has a rich cultural scene with the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra, Dayton Ballet, Dayton Contemporary Arts Center, Dayton Opera, Dayton Live Performing Arts, and a world-class art collection at the Dayton Art Institute.

Building Particulars

The Dayton Convention Center is a public venue that hosts conventions, meetings, and competitions for local, regional, and national organizations.

Particulars for the exterior sculpture

The sculpture will be located on the north side of the building in a landscape bed. For scale, the backdrop of the building is approximately 20' tall x 16' wide. The depth of the landscape bed is 11'. There is a concrete bench in front of the landscaped area shown on the plan view.

The sculpture should be fabricated with durable, low-maintenance, weather-resistant materials. The presentation should include basic mounting requirements size and depth of the platform for the sculpture base and preferred installation (threaded bolts, etc.)

Upon award of the commission, the artist will work with the artist's structural engineer and provide detailed plinth particulars.

The elegance of the sculpture should capture the essence of Dayton's rich history.

There are many public sculptures in downtown Dayton. This sculpture should be unique.

David Evans Black's sculpture, *Flyover*, which depicts the Wrights Brothers' first flight, is visible from the front of the convention center.



Budget

The budget for this sculpture is \$75,000- \$90,000*

*The budget covers design, fabrication, structural engineering to determine installation requirements, and artist's fees.

The **client** will prepare the site with the specified structure required at the base of the sculpture.

The **client** will provide rigging for the sculpture

The **artist** will arrange the delivery of the sculpture to the site.

Please let us know your interest by October 10, 2024

We want to move this project quickly, we would like to receive your design concept by October 25, 2024

Once submitted, the committee will make the decision and the commission will be awarded to the sculptor who meets the criteria and budget.

Above Terrace



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Location of sculpture



