

Public Art 301:

You Got the Commission, Now What?!

*(What to Expect When You're Expecting a
Public Art Commission)*



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- Brief History of Program
- What to Expect Once You've been Selected
- Jeanne Quinn, artist
- Q & A's



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Denver Public Art – 30 Years!

- Established in 1988 by Mayor Peña
- Ordinance #650 was adopted in 1991
- 1% of any capital improvement project budget over \$1 million is set aside for public art
- More than 300 pieces installed since 1988
- More than 400 artworks in total



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The Vision of the Public Art Program

- **Site-specific and unique**
- Artwork that speaks to its users:
 - a location
 - a group of people
 - a time in history
- Artwork that enhances an experience
- Selected through a public process



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**So you applied, created a proposal,
and got the commission,
*NOW WHAT?***



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Collaboration is Key



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Contract Initiation (usually takes 8 weeks):

- Budget is ALL INCLUSIVE
- Deadlines and Term Date
- Insurance based on Risk Assessment Worksheet
- W-9
- Register with the CO Secretary of State – LLC? Sole Proprietor?
- Diversity and Inclusiveness Survey
- Scope of work
- Pay Schedule
- Copyright
- Prevailing Wage



Important Contract Benchmarks:

- Execution of contract – 5%
- Preliminary Design – 60 days; 10%
- Final Design – 60 days; 30%
- Mid-Point Fabrication – varies; 30%
- Installation – varies; 20%
- Close-out – maintenance plan, warranty, photos, plaque, lien releases, prevailing wage, copyright



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Project Management:

You will work with a Project Administrator from our Team

1. Timeline and construction schedule
2. Final design – stamped drawings by Colorado engineer
3. Fabrication – getting bids, method, studio visits
3. Installation – prevailing wage and LPC tracker, permits, Right of Way/traffic plan/TCAP, equipment rentals
4. Close-Out – maintenance plan, photos, dedication event, copyright
5. Final Acceptance – transfer to City, warranty (2yrs), added to collection/website



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Where do I find public art opportunities?

www.DenverPublicArt.org

www.CallForEntry.org



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