



Cody Public Art Mural Project

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

Deadline: Friday, July 31st at 11:59 PM MST

OVERVIEW

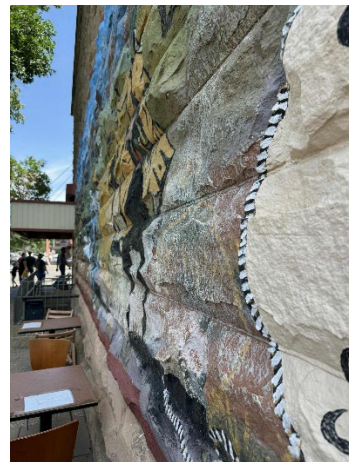
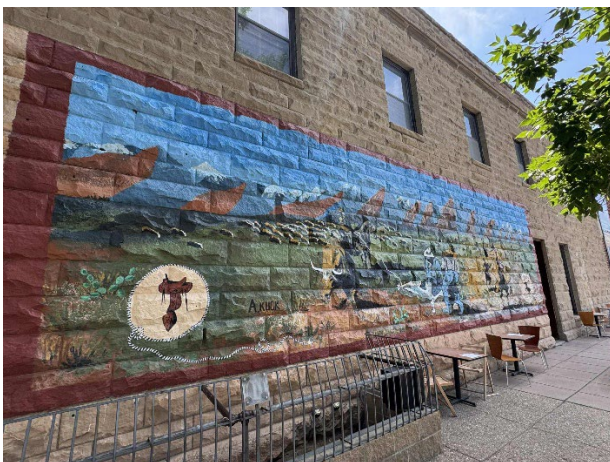
Cody Public Art Committee (CPAC), a committee appointed through the City of Cody, is seeking an artist **to create a mural that incorporates themes of Wyoming's unique Western culture. Relevance to Cody's history and heritage is also encouraged.**

CPAC was created to enrich the cultural and historical aesthetics of the community for both residents and the many visitors that travel to Cody. Public art defines our society's diversity and is essential to enhancing the social fabric of the region.

The mural will be painted on the west wall of the **Seidel's Saddlery** (1200 Sheridan Avenue, Cody, WY 82414) building in downtown Cody. This wall is located across the street from the historic Irma Hotel and provides the backdrop for Cody's summer shoot out show. The wall is 38 feet 4 inches by 11 feet 3 inches, for a total of approximately 431 square feet. The desired artwork should celebrate Cody's rich Western heritage through a traditional and vintage style, featuring dynamic imagery that captures the spirit of the region. The composition should draw inspiration from iconic figures, frontier history, and the rugged life of the American West.

This project is funded in part by the Wyoming Cultural Trust Fund.

Image of the wall:



ELIGIBILITY

The call is open to all artists ages 18 and over, regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, military status, sexual orientation, marital status, or physical or mental cognition. Artists must reside in Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Colorado, or Utah.

BUDGET

\$10,000 inclusive of artist fee, fabrication, installation, and travel expenses. Any necessary site prep will be completed by CPAC. CPAC will also coordinate boom lift or scaffolding, if needed.

SELECTION PROCESS

The selection process will be administered by CPAC. A Selection Committee including a representative from Seidel's and CPAC representatives will select the artist to complete the project based on artistic merit.

Up to four artists will be selected to create a design proposal. Each finalist will be paid \$400 and present their proposals to the Selection Committee. One artist will be selected to complete their design. The selected artist's design will be approved by CPAC and Seidel's before installation begins.

SCHEDULE

- RFQ released: Wednesday, July 8, 2026
- Submission deadline: Friday, July 31, 2026 at 11:59 PM MST
- Selection Committee: Week of August 3rd
- Finalists Notified: By Monday, August 10, 2026
- Finalist Design Presentations: Week of August 31st
- Final Artist Selected: By Tuesday, September 8th, 2026

If weather permits, artists should be available to complete their work by October 30, 2026. In the case of inclement weather, CPAC will work with the chosen artist to finalize a mutually agreeable timeline.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

RFQ Materials shall include:

- 1. Artist Statement:** Introduce yourself and your artistic practice (Limit to 200 words)
- 2. Media:** 5 digital images of relevant completed artwork. Label images/media: last name of artist, artwork title, installation date. JPGs only.
- 3. Media script:** Short description of each completed artwork submitted as media (Limit to 100 words per artwork). The media script should include the budget of the artwork, if applicable, and any other partners on the project.

The Artist Statement and Media Script should be submitted as **one PDF** labeled as **artistlastname_artistfirstname**. Images should be submitted as JPGs only. Applications accepted by email only at codypublicart@gmail.com. **If in the application materials the artist includes a proposal for the artwork, the application will be disqualified.**

Contact Emily Swett or Maggie Tranas with questions or help with the call by emailing codypublicart@gmail.com.

Cody Public Art Committee

Under the direction of the City of Cody, the Cody Public Art Committee was created to enrich the cultural and historical aesthetics of the community for both residents and the many visitors that travel to Cody.

Public art is no longer considered a frill or luxury, but rather an element that invigorates creativity, restores character, and stimulates economic growth for a community. Public art defines our society's diversity and is essential to enhancing the social fabric of Cody.

<https://www.codywy.gov/375/Public-Art-Committee>

We have also featured many of our recent projects on our social media. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/codypublicart> or <https://www.instagram.com/codypublicart/> to learn more.