

CALL FOR ARTISTS- Design and build a memorial monument in honour of TATC MMIWG2S+ Touchwood Agency MMIWG2S+ Commemorative Project

Touchwood Agency Tribal Council invites Indigenous Artists to submit a proposal for the design and creation of a memorial monument to honour Missing and Murdered Women, Girls and Two-Spirited loved ones. The successful concept submission will be selected and guided by TATC MMIWG2S+ Family members and survivors.

The Project: The project's objective is to honour and increase the awareness of Missing and Murdered Indigenous women, girls and two-spirited loved ones in the Touchwood Area through the creation of a Memorial Monument and a 3-day Family Healing Gathering. The project is driven through consultation with Touchwood MMIWG2S+ families and survivors. The monument will be a place where families and community members can go to reflect, offer prayers, gather, and remember their loved ones.

Monument Details:

Description: The monument will honour and raise awareness of MMIWG2S+ from the four

Touchwood Agency Tribal Council First Nations. The monument will be a place

for reflection, prayer and gathering.

Location: The Touchwood Area – To be determined though Elder and family consultation

Material: To be determined by artist. The structure of the memorial must be created with

materials that are suitable for outdoor installation and can withstand extreme

weather conditions.

Inscription: To be determined by TATC MMIWG2S+ Family Members

Deadline: Submissions will be received until May 20th, 2021

Budget:

\$20,000 - This amount will cover the artist fees, travel, materials, supplies, and costs associated with the design and construction of the monument.

- The artist will be responsible for any taxes that may be applicable.
- TATC will cover the installation of the memorial monument.

Artist Selection:

TATC MMIWG2S+ Family members will review the Artist concepts and select the top submissions. Following this selection, the artist may be asked to present their work virtually or in person for additional consideration for the successful submission.

Submission Guidelines:

- Artist must be of Indigenous ancestry and preference will be given to an artist from the four Touchwood First Nations or with relations to members of the Touchwood Bands.
- Artists will be provided with a guide created from input gathered through consultation with MMIWG2S+ families. The Artist is encouraged to gather inspiration from this input to guide the creation of their work.
- Please submit high quality photos of the concept submission. Detailed drawings of the submission design will be accepted. Artists are encouraged to submit more than one image of their concept and to include details and a brief description.
- The artist will also submit their portfolio and curriculum vitae if applicable.
- The artist will be responsible for shipping costs related to the submission of their concept/work.
- Artist must be able to demonstrate their ability to execute project within provided specifications, timelines and budget.
- The artist submission will include a budget for proposed work including artist's fee, materials, shipping, etc.
- Artist retains intellectual property rights to their concept. All artists' submissions will be returned via self-addressed stamped envelope.
 - The selected submission will be used by TATC, in promotional materials, social media etc, the artist allows licence to TATC for this purpose. The artist will be given full credit of piece for purposes of promotional, educational material as deemed necessary for future purposes of TATC.

Concepts:

- The materials, size and shape of the design are open. The artist is encouraged to utilize the information package provided to draw inspiration for the development of their concept.
 - If selected, a final consultation with TATC MMIWG2S+ Families on art work may occur, allowing artist to capture voice and visions of families of MMIWG2S+
- One concept per artist will be accepted for consideration.
- The concept submitted by artist must be original work that they have created themselves.

Timeline

Artist Call Release-	April 20 th 2021	
Deadline for Submissions	May 20 th , 2021	
TATC MMIWG2S+ Family Meeting for Artist Selection	May 22 th , 2021	
TATC MMIWG2S+ Family Voting period	May 25 - 30th, 2021	
Contract Awarded	June 2021	
Installation Date	September 2021	
Monument Unveiling	October 4 th	
	National Day of Action for MMIWG	

^{*}These dates are subject to change.

To register for an artist information package, please contact the project coordinator Jessica LaPlante by phone:(306)331-5092 or through email: jlaplante@tatc.sk.ca