

CALL FOR ARTISTS



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PROPOSAL OVERVIEW

The South Norfolk Jordan Bridge (SNJB) connects the communities of Chesapeake and Portsmouth, Va., across the Elizabeth River's Southern Branch with a 24/7/365 reliable, private toll bridge. The bridge's west end offers a highly-visible location in Portsmouth to showcase a large-scale outdoor public art display and enhance community interaction. Additional site specifics and design inspirations are available on www.SNJB.net/art. The addition of a permanent, specialty art installation is planned to help celebrate the SNJB's 10th Anniversary in 2022!

ELIGIBILITY & SUBMISSION CRITERIA

All Virginia artists ages 16 or older are eligible to submit a three-dimensional design concept for consideration. All entries should fit within a 25' diameter circular display area with a 15' maximum height. The design should enhance its outdoor setting and be suitable for public display to a diverse audience including children. Entries should evoke a creative, uplifting energy that encourages community and is not commercially viable. Entries that include recycled materials will be given preference as part of the selection criteria.

To be considered, a project design must be e-mailed to Contest@SouthNorfolkJordanBridge.com no later than 5:00 pm ET on Thursday, September 30, 2021. Image files should be labeled as LastName.FirstInitial.jpg (72 dpi or higher) or in PDF format. Entries also should include:

- Artist's full name, mailing address, phone number and date of birth
- Brief artist introduction and motivation for design
- Project materials inventory, anticipated installation requirements and budget estimate

SELECTION PROCESS & AWARDS

Submissions will not be returned, but the artist will retain all rights to his/her work and be credited as part of the installation. The SNJB makes no promises as to the exact location of the artwork or length of time that the artwork will be displayed at the bridge location. If SNJB determines it will no longer display the artwork, the artist will be notified and given the opportunity to remove the artwork at their expense.

The Selection Committee will evaluate all entries based on a series of design criteria including community appeal and longevity –the design award includes a \$2,500 commission! All selection decisions are final and not subject to appeal. The selected artist is required to sign a publicity release, participate in promotional activities related to the art contest, and work in partnership with SNJB to secure all necessary materials and complete the installation.

PROJECT TIMELINE

Thursday, September 30, 2021 – Extended Entry Deadline at 5:00 pm ET
Monday, November 15, 2021 – Selected design and artist announced
May 2022 – Installation complete