San Francisco Arts Commission
Public Art Program

What Is the Public Art Program?

In 1969, the City and County of San Francisco was one of the first municipalities in the country to enact an Art Enrichment Ordinance.

It requires that "2% of the gross estimated project cost" of civic capital projects be spent on artwork.
Program Goals and Project Development

The Public Art Program seeks to promote a diverse and unique cultural environment.

The Program encourages the creative interaction of artists, designers, city staff, and community members to develop public art that is site specific and meaningful to the community.

Public Art Commissioning Process

- Issue RFQ open call or pre qualified pool
- Panel selections and resultant proposals
- Proposal on public display
- One artist selected for commission
- Contracting
- Conceptual design / design development / construction docs / fabrication / installation
- Process overseen by VAC
- Civic Art Collection
Be a Part of the Process

How to get involved....

- Sign up for our newsletter for updates about the project and upcoming public meetings: www.sfartscommission.org

- Attend the Artist Orientation Meeting and other community meetings

- Check out the final proposals and give us your feedback
On behalf of the Arts Commission,

Thank you