



ANNUAL SCULPTURE EXHIBIT



November 2008

## Call for Artists

### **The Seventh Annual Juried Sculpture Exhibit - June 6th through September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

The Cloverdale Annual Juried Sculpture Exhibit, produced by the Cloverdale Arts Alliance and sponsored by the City of Cloverdale in Sonoma County, returns to the Cloverdale downtown outdoor plaza for its 7<sup>th</sup> year. The selected sculptures will be on view from Saturday, June 6th through Wednesday September 30<sup>th</sup>. The Cloverdale Arts Alliance and the City of Cloverdale invites sculptors to enter this juried exhibit.

The **exhibit selection committee** for the 2008 Cloverdale Sculpture Exhibit consists of:

- **Edwin Hamilton:** nationally renowned stonemason and sculptor
- **Carla Stone:** exhibition coordinator at SSU Art Gallery for the last 11 years
- **Emily Scheibel:** Geyser Arts Gallery Director; sculptor of handcrafted concrete works

After the sculptures have been selected, they will be reviewed by the City of Cloverdale on the basis of safety for the viewing public.

**Judges** for the 2008 Exhibit are:

- **Allan Voigt:** Co-founder, with his wife Judy, of the Voigt Family Sculpture Foundation. Created in 2005, the foundation's focus is to facilitate the installation of larger outdoor sculptures in publicly-accessible places
- **Jennifer Sloan** – Executive Director, Arts Council of Sonoma County. The Arts Council provides leadership in support of the growth and accessibility of all art and artists in Sonoma County.
- **Sandra Erickson:** an expert in contemporary works by local and internationally-known artists, and owner of the pre-eminent Sonoma County contemporary art showcase, Erickson Fine Art Gallery, Inc.

Three cash awards will be given, in recognition of *Best of Show* and *Honorable Mention* designations. *Best of Show* will receive \$1,000, and the two *Honorable Mentions* will each receive \$250. The designations will be announced and awarded during the judges' talk, scheduled at 5:00pm in the Plaza, during the opening reception on Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup>. Artists are encouraged to offer their sculpture for sale during the exhibit. The Cloverdale Arts Alliance will act as the liaison with prospective buyers, and will require 20% commissions on any completed sales. The artist will be responsible for reporting and managing payment of state and federal tax, and for any merchant transaction fee incurred through method of payment.

An exhibit brochure will be printed with information on each participating sculptor. The brochure will be available at key locations in Cloverdale and in the Plaza. The brochure will also be available for perusal at the web sites of Cloverdale Arts Alliance and the City of Cloverdale.

If you are interested in entering the Cloverdale Exhibit, review the enclosed entry information and guidelines. To enter, please mail the required material to Cloverdale Arts Alliance, Attn Sculpture Exhibit, 105 E First St, Cloverdale, CA 95425 for receipt by Thursday February 12<sup>th</sup>. For further information or clarification, please call the voice message line shown below, or email [SculptureExhibit@CloverdaleArtsAlliance.org](mailto:SculptureExhibit@CloverdaleArtsAlliance.org). I look forward to your participation in our 2009 exhibit.

Sincerely,

Susan Nurse, Sculpture Exhibit Program Manager

Cloverdale Arts Alliance, 105 E First St, Cloverdale, CA 95425

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Email: [SculptureExhibit@CloverdaleArtsAlliance.org](mailto:SculptureExhibit@CloverdaleArtsAlliance.org)

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## Entry Requirements - No Entry Fee

- We encourage free-standing sculptures for our pedestrian-friendly Boulevard and Plaza, as well as outdoor wall pieces for City Hall. An interactive sculpture would entertain the inner child in all our numerous visitors to the Plaza. Works should be of sufficient scale for the outside exhibit location and durable enough to withstand the 4-month exhibit period.
- A photo of the completed sculpture to be entered, or a detailed sketch if it is not yet completed.  
**Note:** Prior to delivery, the Exhibit Selection Committee must clear major changes to sculptures in progress. No sculpture in progress will be accepted on day of delivery.
- A description of the work: size, composition, how it will be stable and safe (no sharp edges, etc.) for the viewing public, and how it will be installed. Please detail any special installation requirements.  
**Note:** Sculptures will be placed in planting areas or on concrete (free standing). Holes in concrete, pouring of concrete or digging holes in planters or lawns are not allowed. Staking sculptures in the planting areas is permitted, yet space there is more limited. We highly encourage free standing and wall pieces for their greater flexibility of placement.
- A completed application.
- A specific artist statement about work to be entered.
- A general artist statement.
- A resume.
- 3 slides or photographs of recent work identified by sculptor's name.
- Signed Hold Harmless form.
- A self-addressed envelope with correct postage for return of slides or photos.

Return all of the above by February 12, 2009.

## Criteria & Guidelines

- Original work by the sculptor entrant.
- Composition – choice of artist. Must be appropriate for outdoor conditions.
- Minimum size – none (sculpture must be to scale for an outdoor, open-air exhibit space).
- Maximum size – 12 ft. x 10 ft. x 10 ft.
- No political, religious or offensive sculptures will be considered.
- Selection is at the discretion of the selection committee (see cover letter) and the City of Cloverdale
- The City will review the stability and safety of each piece as described by the sculptors. A determination will then be made regarding safety and stability. If a sculpture's safety and stability was not accurately described, and at the time of delivery is found not to be safe (sharp edges, etc.) and/or is not stable, the piece will be refused.

- Sculptures must be maintenance free, able to withstand heat, sun, wind, sprinklers, rain and children.
- Each artist will be responsible for set-up of his/her sculpture and set-up costs. If you need extra hands, please bring them along. There is a clearance of 18 ft for a truck to drive into the Plaza. Volunteers will be available to direct each artist to their site, which will be determined in advance by the selection committee. A forklift can be scheduled to off-load and place sculptures, and to load at end of exhibit - there is no charge to the artist for the use of this forklift.
- All reasonable care and precautions will be taken to ensure the safety of the sculptures. Artists are required to sign a release form (see enclosed Hold Harmless). The Plaza, adjacent to the Police Department, is patrolled. Seven security cameras are mounted in the Plaza. Liability insurance will be provided for each artist during the exhibit. This does not include installation or de-installation. Insurance to cover loss or damage of sculptures will not be provided – we encourage you to arrange your own loss or damage coverage.
- The Cloverdale Arts Alliance and the City of Cloverdale reserve the right to photograph sculptures for advertising purposes for the 2009 exhibit and future exhibits. Sculptors will be identified in any promotional use.

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## Timeline

- **Thursday, February 12, 2009:** Entry applications are due.
- **Monday, March 2, 2009:** Artists will be notified of selection to exhibit.
- **Thursday, June 4, 2009:** Between **9:30 am and Noon** sculptures to be delivered to the Cloverdale Plaza. In advance, a specific time for use of a forklift will be assigned to sculptors needing forklift assistance.
- **Saturday, June 6, 2009** 3:00 pm judging.
- **Saturday, June 6, 2009** 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm reception in the Plaza for sculptors & the general public.  
5:00-5:30 pm Judges Address and Awards Ceremony
- **Thursday, October 1, 2009** Between **9:30 am and Noon** pick-up sculptures. A specific time for use of a forklift will be assigned in advance to sculptors needing forklift assistance.



Thank you for your interest and your support of the Cloverdale Annual Sculpture Exhibit.