

The CSE Richard Hunt Award - Call to Artists



The Chicago Sculpture Exhibit continues the celebration with the renewal of the CSE Richard Hunt Award. In recognition of the internationally-heralded artist and Chicago native Richard Hunt, CSE will continue to bring new perspectives and diversity to the large scale public art world by offering financial support to emerging and/or mid-career artists of all ages from the Chicago Metropolitan area. The winning artist will create a new sculpture that will be sited at a prominent location in the city. This award is part of CSE's mission to encourage a broader range of artists to design and fabricate large-scale public sculpture.

The financial award to assist in the production of the work is \$10,000, 80% of which will be provided for the planning and/or creation of the artist's work and 20% of which will be dispersed upon completion of the installation. The selected artist will be responsible for transporting their sculpture to and from the site, but CSE will assist with on-site installation and all associated costs of physically mounting the work. The sculpture will remain on display for one year and must have the capability to withstand Chicago's climate during that period. The work will be returned to the artist as the sole owner after 12 months. CSE will make every effort to provide additional mentoring and assistance as requested.

The award money may be used for any legitimate purpose that contributes toward the production and installation of the sculpture, i.e. materials, studio rent, artist's time. CSE will also provide professional documentation of the work upon installation, to be shared with the artist.

Project Timeline

- **Friday, September 30, 5pm:** Electronic applications are due by 5pm (CST) on Friday, September 30. Please submit all application materials to info@chicagosculptureexhibit.org.
- **Friday, October 7:** Jury selection of artist on Oct. 7, with notification shortly thereafter.
- **Friday, November 11:** Final drawings/plans due to CSE for review
- **Friday, June 2:** Installation of the work must be completed by no later than June 2 and will be planned in coordination with CSE staff and contractors.

Application Requirements

Chicagoland artists, aged 18+ must submit the following to be considered for the award:

- Artist statement (200 words or less)
- Artist bio (100 words or less)
- 10 sample images (no larger than 350 dpi)
- Artist proposal for new or existing work for installation (350 words) ●
Proposed project budget (may include studio rent, labor, materials, etc.)

The Jury

Select curators from Chicago's art community will comprise the Jury for the 2022/2023 CSE Richard J. Hunt Award. The jury will include Laura-Caroline de Lara, Director, DePaul Art Museum, Faheem Majeed, artist, curator and former Director of the South Side Community Art Center, and Tricia van Eck, Founder and Artistic Director of 6018 North and former Associate Curator, Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago.

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The Chicago Sculpture Exhibit is a nonprofit organization dedicated to bringing art directly to neighborhoods throughout Chicago. The Chicago Sculpture Exhibit has created the **CSE Richard Hunt Award** to support this goal by providing a resource for emerging/mid-career artists, enhancing the diversity of artistic options, encouraging and promoting continued experimentation by artists and providing resources for their continued development.