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### Public Artwork Commission Opportunity

**Suisun City, CA** – The Solano Transportation Authority’s (STA) is designing new offices in downtown Suisun City and is inviting artists an opportunity to get excited and exhibit their talent. STA is placing “A Call for Artists” for a public artwork commission opportunity which begins with a search for an artist(s) whose outdoor art will be highlighted at the entrance of the soon to be built new office/public building.

“Our hope and desire for the artwork is that the public can interact with art while it visually enhances the building and streetscape of the Suisun City downtown and waterfront.” stated the Mayor of Suisun City and STA Board Member, Lori Wilson.

The new headquarters for STA, which will be located at 419 Main Street in historic downtown Suisun City, will serve as the center of transportation for the seven cities and rural areas of the county. Possible themes or symbolic inspiration for the artwork could include transportation modes, history of transportation, or reflect the fast-changing world from where we were to where we are going through transportation. The artists’ work should convey *Mobility and Motion*.

“This Call for Artists will ultimately lead to the selection of artwork that expresses the mission and vision of STA, through the eyes, heart, and soul of the artist who will be chosen to create it.” said Mayor Wilson.

The building is scheduled to open in September 2021 and the STA Selection Committee will announce the finalist(s) in their search for artist/artists after the call closes August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

“One of the most exciting aspects of this new Call for Artists is that the STA building and other transportation facilities have many promising opportunities for public art. This is just the beginning of a creative relationship between STA and the communities they serve, and I am pleased to be a part of this process.” said, County Supervisor and STA Board Member, Jim Spring.

If you would like to learn more or if you would like to submit your artwork, please see the *Call for Artists* on the **CaFÉ** website and follow instructions for submission. A reminder that the deadline for entries is August 10, 2020. The direct link to call is: [https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals\\_unique\\_info.php?ID=7895](https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=7895).

**CaFÉ** - callforentry.org is a non-profit online resource with the best outreach and online resources for publicizing and helping us manage the public art process online. They have worked with numerous public agencies over the last two decades and because of that many public sculptors look at the site regularly and have their portfolios and resumes available online with CaFÉ.

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### SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

*The STA was created in 1990 through a Joint Powers Agreement between the cities of Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield, Rio Vista, Suisun City, Vacaville, Vallejo, and the County of Solano to serve as the Congestion Management Agency for Solano. As the Countywide Transportation Agency (CTA) for the Solano area, the STA partners with various transportation and planning agencies, such as the [Metropolitan Transportation Commission \(MTC\)](#) and [Caltrans District 4](#). The STA is responsible for countywide transportation planning, programming transportation funds, managing and providing transportation programs and services, delivering transportation projects, and setting transportation priorities to ensure mobility and economic vitality for all.*

*The STA uses an open and inclusive public involvement process through various [committees](#) made up of local elected officials, public works directors, transit operators, and interested residents.*