

CALL FOR ARTISTS: 2023 EAST GARDEN

SUMMARY

Krasl Art Center (KAC) seeks artist proposals for an interactive outdoor installation in the East Garden of the museum's campus for the months of June, July, August, and September 2023. The selected artist will conceptualize, design, and fabricate a site-specific installation that must be structurally sound and creatively engaging for the general public at all times of day.

This project is open to artists and designers regardless of whether they have achieved a project of this scope previously. Creativity, vision, competence and drive are key characteristics required for its fulfillment. The goal is to have an artist-envisioned, visually unique and engaging artwork. There is not a mandated theme or use of materials.

Artist Responsibilities:

- Vision
- Design
- Fabrication
- Installation (limited assistance available)

Project Budget: \$10,000 all inclusive

Timeline:

Letters of Interest Due	March 17, 2023
Artist Selected	March 31, 2023
Project Install	May 15 - 26, 2023

Location: East Garden @ Krasl Art Center, 707 Lake Blvd, St. Joseph, MI 49085

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Critical Elements:

- The installation must include an interactive component (may be sound-based, motion-based, etc.).
- Accessible and inviting to all ages and abilities.
- The sculpture must withstand outdoor elements for the duration of the installation.

Additional spatial considerations:

- Krasl Art Center is located across the street from a bluff overlooking Lake Michigan. Strong winds are present year-round.
- Electric and water access are available on-site.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

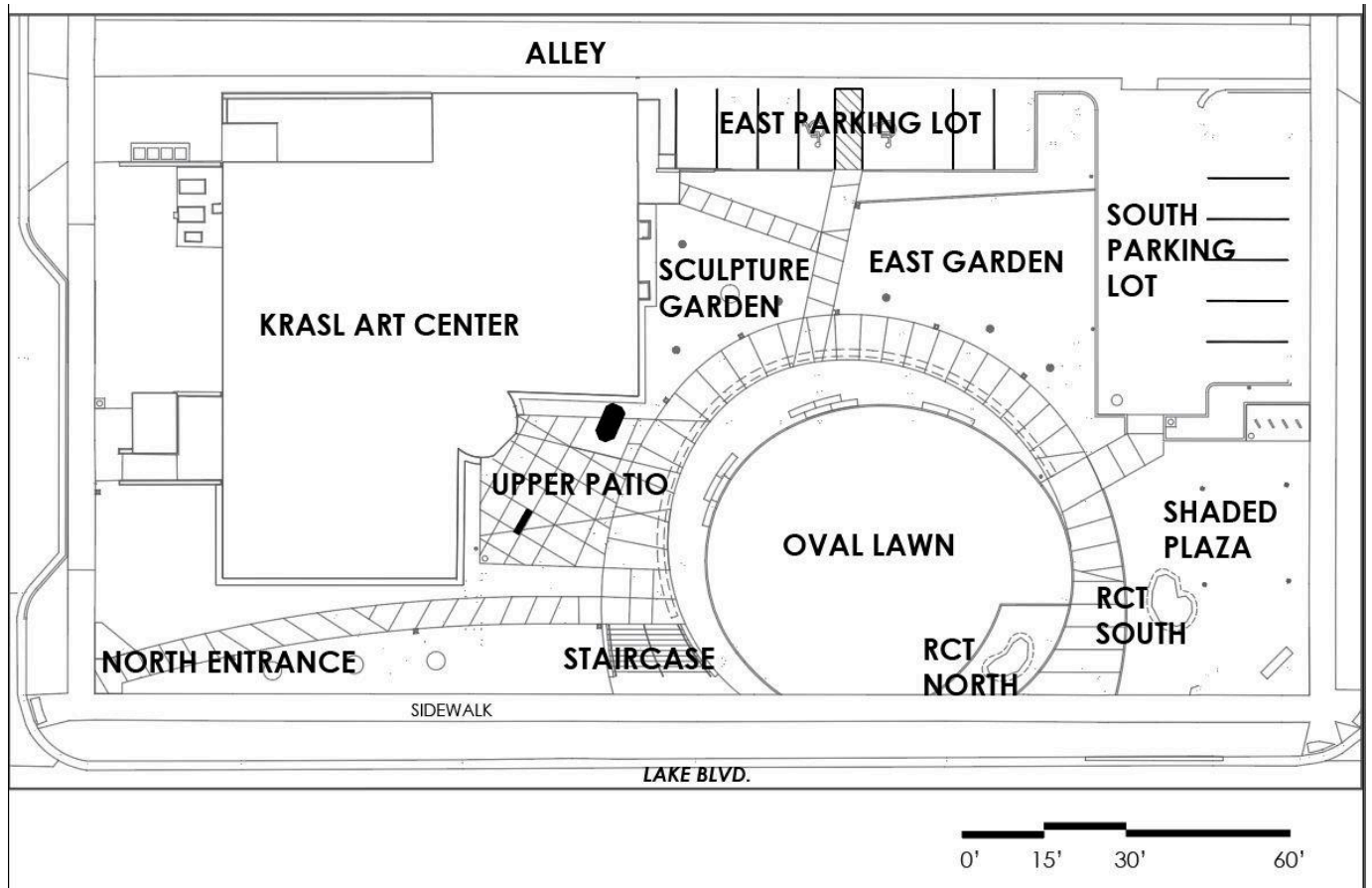
Please submit the following to curatorial@krasl.org by March 17, 2023:

- **Letter of interest** addressing your approach to this project, as well as initial creative concepts (a fully realized design is not expected).
- **Qualifications.** This may include your educational background, past projects, and relevant online links to websites, social media, etc.
- **Images:** 5-7 images of projects or artwork with detailed descriptions.

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The outdoor installation is located in the **East Garden**.

Krasl Art Center's East Garden was dedicated in 2018 as an intimate outdoor space that inspires a sense of play, wonder, and reflection through interactive contemporary art installations. New projects are installed often, transforming and invigorating the space anew with fresh artistic vision.

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Krasl Art Center Campus (2019): Example of Peter Krsko's wood-lathe sculpture *Ground Wave* on view in the East Garden. Tubes in the sculpture worked as musical instruments for visitors to play like drums. The temporary sculpture has been removed to make way for the 2023 installation. In the forefront is Richard Hunt's permanent welded-steel sculpture *Rising Crossing Tides*.