Secwépemc Landmarks | Expression of Interest















Trailhead Post Carving Artist and Instructor, Various Locations

Application due: February 20, 2020

Workshop period: APR 01 to JUNE 10, 2020

Purpose: To create awareness of Secwépemc traditional territory through a series of iconic orientation Landmarks (sculptures) situated at key, highly visited areas, which portray Secwépemc location names, culture and stories throughout the Shuswap lakes region.

"This initiative is another way for Secwépemc to create more awareness of our presence within our traditional territory. The sculptures can be a collaboration between Secwépemc and settler artists and the mountain names in both Secwépemc and English will showcase Secwépemc language to the visiting tourists and locals alike. Storyboards, sculptures/landmarks placed on trailheads and other key areas will showcase Secwépemc culture and settler history. "

-Adams Lake Band Councillor Shelley Witzky

This Expression of Interest is for a Secwépemc artist to lead workshops with youth from grades 6 to 11 in School District 83 ("SD 83") to carve and paint pictographs into a series of 100 trailhead posts (See Concept Trailhead below). The pictographs will be designed by students in SD83, and the interested carver will work together with a storyteller and with youth in a series of workshops. Trailhead posts will be stationed at trailheads leading to Secwépemc Landmarks throughout the Shuswap.

Trailhead Posts

- Small semi-permanent structure, hereditary replacement
- Wooden will break down over time, will need replacing hereditary replacement
- Pictograph carvings, paint inlay
- Secwépemc and settler artists reconciliation
- Secwépemc logo/badge

The following fees are per workshop (completing 10 trailhead posts per workshop): Artist fees are \$150 per 3 hour workshop, and materials are provided (6x6 treated posts, rebar, rocks, glue) to a total of \$3,500. There will be ten workshops total to design, create and install 100 trailhead posts.

For this project, artists will be working closely with the Project Team: Project Director and Adams Lake Band Councillor Shelley Witzky, Project Coordinator Libby Chisholm, and Technical Support Sutra Brett. This invitation asks artists to provide a sample of work to Libby Chisholm before February 20th, 2019. To discuss possibilities and parameters before submitting an expression of interest, contact Libby at lchisholm@uvic.ca. Digital files can be emailed to the same address.

Concept Trailhead Post:



Name:
Mailing Address:
Email:
Phone:
Media:
Power requirement/special installation needs:
Describe your ideas for youth collaboration and pictograph carving for the Secwépemc Landmarks trailhead posts:
Do you identify as an Indigenous artist? First Nations Metis Inuit Community Membership: