
Call for Pinal County Artists

Palm Island Family Aquatic Park Wall Mural Project



1115 N. Brown Avenue
Casa Grande, AZ 85122

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The City of Casa Grande Arts & Culture Commission (ACC) in partnership with Community Services Parks & Recreation is calling Pinal County artists or artist teams to design and install a vibrant, family-friendly mural at the **Palm Island Family Aquatic Park**. This exciting public art project will celebrate the community's connection to this beloved facility while enhancing the visitor experience for generations to come.

Project Overview & Specifications

Palm Island Family Aquatic Park is a cornerstone of Casa Grande's recreation offerings, welcoming 16,000–17,000 visitors per season. Many residents have fond memories of the park, and the City seeks to capture this sense of joy, nostalgia, and community in a large-scale mural installation.

- **Mural Site:** Palm Island Family Aquatic Park, Casa Grande, AZ located at 1115 N. Brown Avenue, Casa Grande, AZ 85122. Artists are encouraged to visit the mural site to get a better idea of the project.
- **The Wall:** Located inside the center is a concrete block wall that faces east and has one door and light fixture; has a rod iron fence dividing part of the wall. Wall is approximately 41 ft wide x 14 ft tall.
- **Theme/Design Direction:** Request a fun, festive, family-friendly design with an energetic **1980s-inspired aesthetic**. The mural should be colorful, vibrant, and welcoming to all ages.
- **Budget:** Not to Exceed \$5,500 (inclusive of artist's fees, materials, equipment, and installation). Selected artist will be responsible for providing a monthly payment plan and submitting monthly invoices until project completion. (See attached sample contract for more details).
- **Artist Eligibility:** Applicants must be over the age of 18 years old, and live in Pinal County, Arizona.
- **Artist is responsible for:** Thoroughly cleaning, priming, prepping the wall prior to applying artwork, and must apply an anti-graffiti seal at the end of the project.
- **End of Project:** Upon completion of project, artist is to provide instructions for maintenance of mural.

- **Suggested Materials:**

1. High-quality acrylic exterior paint.
2. Artist will prime the wall with masonry primer (recommendation: Kilz).
3. Artist will be responsible for obtaining all materials and supplies necessary for the start & completion of project.
4. Artist will apply an anti-graffiti seal at the end of the project.

- **Proposed Timeline, Deadlines & Other Important Dates:**

1. **Monday, December 15, 2025, by noon:** Application & Proposals Deadline
2. **Tuesday, January 6, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. (ACC Meeting):** Artists **MUST** attend ACC Meeting to be considered. Artists must present their artwork and be ready to answer questions from the Review Team. Presentations must be no more than 3-5 minutes. Review Team will choose the top 3 proposals to move forward to next step.
3. **Friday, January 16, 2026, by 4:00 p.m.:** NEXT STEP: Top 3 artists will submit to City Clerk's Office their final edited artwork & proposed workdays & times.
4. **Tuesday, January 20, 2026:** Review Team to do final scoring of top 3 artists.
5. **Tuesday, February 4, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. (ACC Meeting):** Selected artist with top score will be announced at ACC Meeting - *artist are not required to attend this meeting but may do so if they wish.*
6. **February 2026:** Contract signing.
7. **February 2026:** Project start.
8. **April 12, 2026:** Project completion.
9. **May 2026:** Artist must attend the Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony in early May 2026. **Exact date and time to be determined.**

NOTE: Dates & Times Subject to Change

- **Selection Process:**

The ACC and selected members of the Community Services Department (**Review Team**) will review all completed applications and art renderings. The following will be considered in the selection process:

1. Applicant met the requirements outlined in the Call for Artists (application complete, resume or biography included, artwork titled, narrative complete and concise, samples of previous work, signed & dated).
2. Technique - Medium used, skillfulness displayed, and consistency.
3. Originality - Creativity, individuality, imagination, knowledge of and experience with the subject.
4. Effectiveness - Harmony of structure, visual balance, form and color coordination.
5. Communication - Title of artwork, vivid narrative describing artistic vision and proposal, 1980s-inspired theme, and stimulate and satisfy.

- **How to Apply:**

Completed and signed application and art proposals must be submitted by Monday, December 15, 2025, no later than 12:00 p.m. Artists may submit up to three separate proposals each.

1. Complete the attached application - make sure writing is legible and each area is complete, and acknowledgement is signed and dated.
2. Concept sketch or draft design must be in **color** (must be 8.5" x 11") - *anything larger or smaller will be disqualified.*
3. Attach examples of previous mural or public artwork (no more than 3 images).
4. Artist's short biography or resume.

Applications and Proposals must be hand delivered or mailed and addressed to:

**City of Casa Grande
Attention: City Clerk's Office
510 E. Florence Blvd.
Casa Grande, AZ 85122**

Envelope must be boldly marked: Palm Island Family Aquatic Park Wall Mural Project

Award of Contract for the Project

The City of Casa Grande shall not reimburse any submitter the cost of responding to this solicitation. Contract Inception - a submittal does not constitute a contract, nor does it confer any rights on the submitter to the award of a contract. A contract is not created until Casa Grande accepts the submittal in writing and is executed by the authorized signature of the City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk and the Artist.

The City Clerk's Office will be the direct liaison between the City and proposers. Any inquiry related to this request shall be made to:

- City Clerk's Office
- 520-421-8600





Project Proposal Application

Palm Island Family Aquatic Park Wall Mural Project

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Name of Organization (if applicable) _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Preferred Phone Number _____

Do you have the ability to create large scale artwork? If yes, please explain:

Artist’s Biography or Attach Resume:

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ARTWORK TITLE: _____

Narrative describing artistic vision and proposal – be descriptive:

Acknowledgement

Entrant acknowledges the City of Casa Grande (“the City”) reserves the right to disqualify entrants that do not comply with requested information and requirements. The City reserves ownership and the copyright to selected art entry. Selected art entries will become the property of the City. The Entrant acknowledges and agrees that as a condition of being selected and accepting any monies, the City shall have the right to publicize and/or broadcast Entrant’s name, likeness, voice, photographs, and the fact that the Entrant was selected; as well as the dissemination of any other information related to the selection. The Entrant declares that the artwork is the Entrant's own work, and that the Entrant is not aware of ownership or copyright infringement of another person through submission.

I have read, understand, and acknowledge my submission.

Artist’s Signature: _____

Date: _____

- Attach artwork.
- Print clearly and legible.
- Don’t forget to submit all requested information.
- Selected Artist will be required to complete and submit a W-9.

CITY OF CASA GRANDE & ARTIST NAME
PALM ISLAND FAMILY AQUATIC PARK WALL MURAL PROJECT

1. INTRODUCTION

This Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement”) is entered into by and between the City of Casa Grande, a municipal corporation (hereinafter referred to as “City”) and _____, an individual (hereinafter referred to as “Artist”).

2. DEFINITIONS

- a. In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires:
 - i. “Scope of Services” means the program or set of actions outlined in the call for proposals as shown in **Exhibit A**.
 - ii. “Proposal” means the Artist’s proposal to perform the scope of services attached as **Exhibit B** and incorporated herein by this reference.
 - iii. “Payment of Funds” means the monies paid by the City to the Artist for an approved scope of services under this Agreement.
 - iv. “Arts and Culture Commission” means the Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission.

3. RECITALS

- a. WHEREAS, Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission accepted Artist’s proposal; and
- b. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Agreement shall be to make payment of public monies to the Artist for the accomplishment of the Scope of Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and agreements contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

4. TERM OF CONTRACT

The commencement date of this Agreement shall for all purposes be the date of the last signature. It shall terminate upon the completion of the services by the Artist as set forth in the Scope of Services.

5. CONDITIONS, COVENANTS AND PROMISES OF PARTIES

- a. **CITY.**
 - i. Payment to the Artist for services rendered under this Agreement shall be a sum total not to exceed not to exceed \$_____ for _____, as set forth in **Exhibit B**.
 - ii. Where **Exhibit B** requires payments by City on a monthly basis for the percentage of the work completed, payment shall be based upon billings

supported, unless otherwise provided in **Exhibit B**, by itemized documentation of units of work actually performed and amounts earned (including where appropriate, the actual number of days worked each month and total number of hours for the month), equipment or materials supplied or used, and the total dollar payment requested. Unless specifically stated in **Exhibit B** or approved in writing in advance by the City, the City will not reimburse the Artist for any costs or expenses incurred by the Artist in the performance of this contract that are not part of the agreed upon reimbursable expenses.

- iii. Where required, the City shall, upon receipt of appropriate documentation, compensate the Artist no more often than monthly through the City voucher system for the Artist's service pursuant to the fee schedule set forth in **Exhibit B**.
- b. **ARTIST.** Funding is subject to the Artist conforming to the conditions and performing the duties and responsibilities provided herein:
 - i. Artist agrees that payment of funds will only be for the purpose(s) stated in its Proposal. The Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission and the Artist agree that approval from the Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission is specific to the proposal of services detailed in **Exhibit B**.
 - ii. Artist agrees that it will immediately contact the City Clerk's Office to make application to the Arts and Culture Commission for a revision of the Scope of Services.
 - iii. Artist must have prior written approval from the Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission for changes in the intent and purpose of the Scope of the Services.
 - iv. Artist agrees to allow the Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission to make site visits as well as financial and function audits, which the Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission may deem are necessary to ensure Agreement compliance.
 - v. Artist agrees that any expenses incurred by the Artist for approved activities within the Scope of Services which exceed the Award Funds provided by the City pursuant to this Agreement shall be the sole responsibility of the Artist unless otherwise specified in writing by the Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission through application to the City Clerk's Office.
 - vi. Artist acknowledges that this Agreement is subject to cancellation by the City if the Artist violates the terms of this agreement and does not cure the violation or defect within thirty (30) days of written notice of violation or defect.

- vii. The Artist agrees that it shall, at all times, be acting as an independent Artist and not as an agent or joint venture of the City.
- viii. Artist shall indemnify the City and shall hold it, its officers, agents, and employees harmless against any and all liability, loss, damages, costs, or expenses of any kind, for or on account of any or all suits, claims, actions, or damages sustained by any person or property caused by the acts or omission of the Artist or his/her employees, agents, officers, members or volunteers under this Agreement.

6. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- a. **Mandatory.** This Agreement shall become binding on and enforceable against the City only after acceptance by Commission and execution by the City Manager of the City of Casa Grande whether or not contract negotiations were conducted by the City Manager or any other agent of the City of Casa Grande.
- b. **Construction.** Captions and paragraph headings used in this agreement are for convenience only, are not a part of this agreement, shall not be deemed to limit or alter any provisions of this agreement, and shall not be deemed relevant in construing the agreement. When used herein, the terms "include" or "including" shall mean without limitation by reason of the enumeration. All grammatical usage herein shall be deemed to refer to the masculine, feminine, neuter, singular, or plural as the identity of the person or persons may require. The term "person" shall include an individual, corporation, partnership, trust, estate, or any other entity. If the last day of any time period stated herein shall fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday in the State of Arizona, then the duration of such time period shall be extended so that it shall end on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday in the State of Arizona.
- c. **Prohibition on Assignment.** Artist agrees it will not transfer or assign any obligations, duties, rights or benefits under this contract to any person or entity without express written permission of the City. Permission of the City may be withheld with or without cause.
- d. **Additional Acts and Documents.** Each party to this agreement agrees to do all things, take all actions and to make, execute and deliver such other documents and instruments as shall be reasonably requested to carry out the provisions, intent and purpose of this Agreement.
- e. **Authority to Bind Party.** The individuals executing this Agreement on behalf of the Artist and the City represent and warrant that they are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement on behalf of their respective parties.
- f. **Notices.** All notices required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be in writing and shall become effective upon personal service or seventy- two (72) hours after being deposited in the United States mail, certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, addressed as shown below or to such other address as the parties have designated and acknowledged in writing.

City of Casa Grande

Artist Name

Arts and Culture Commission
ATTN: City Clerk's Office
510 East Florence Boulevard
Casa Grande, AZ 85122

Address
City, State, Zip
Phone
Email

- g. **Waiver Not Implied.** No waiver by either party of any portion of this Agreement or any breach by either party shall constitute a waiver of any other provision, whether or not similar, or of any subsequent breach of the same or any similar provision. Except as expressly provided in this agreement, no waiver shall be binding unless executed in writing by the party making the waiver. The City's waiver of any specific incident constituting default is not to be construed to be a waiver of other defaults or breaches of this Agreement.
- h. **Timely Performance.** Time is of the essence for the performance of all conditions and obligations under this Agreement.
- i. **Recitals.** The Recitals set forth at the beginning of this Agreement are hereby acknowledged and incorporated herein and the parties hereby confirm the accuracy thereof.
- j. **Integration.** This Agreement, including all incorporated documents, components, attachments, addenda, exhibits, and plans, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties pertaining to the subject matter contained in this agreement. All prior and contemporaneous agreements, representations and understandings of the parties, oral or written, are superseded by this agreement. No supplement, modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be binding unless in writing and executed by both the City and the Artist.
- k. **Governing Law/Choice of Forum.** This Agreement and the rights, duties, and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Arizona, and any controversy, dispute or litigation shall be brought or commenced only in the a court of competent jurisdiction in Pinal County, Arizona (or in the United States District Court for the District of Arizona if, but only if, the appropriate court in Pinal County lacks or declines jurisdiction over such action). The parties irrevocably consent to jurisdiction and venue in such courts for such purposes and agree not to seek transfer or removal of any action commenced in accordance with the terms of this paragraph.
- l. **Prevailing Party's Costs.** The parties agree in the event of a breach of this contract, the non-prevailing party will pay the other party's reasonable expenses, including, but not limited to, expert witness fees, and reasonable attorney fees incurred because of the breach, whether a lawsuit is instituted or not.
- m. **Cancellation for Conflict of Interest.** This Agreement is subject to the cancellation provisions for conflicts of interest pursuant to A.R.S. §38- 511.
- n. **E-Verify Requirements.** To the extent applicable under ARIZ. REV. STAT. § 41-4401, the Artist and its subcontractors warrant compliance with all federal immigration laws and regulations that relate to their employees and compliance with the E-Verify requirements under ARIZ. REV. STAT. § 23-214(A). The Artist or subcontractor's breach of the above-mentioned warranty shall be deemed a material breach of the agreement and may result in the termination of the Agreement by the Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission. The Artist agrees

to insert language similar to this paragraph in all contracts in which they engage with subcontractors on this project to ensure that those subcontractors are meeting the requirements of the above-mentioned statutes. The Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission retains the legal right to randomly inspect the papers and records of the Artist and its subcontractors who work on the Agreement to ensure that the Artist and its subcontractors are complying with the above-mentioned warranty. The Artist and its subcontractors warrant to keep the papers and records open for random inspection during normal business hours by the Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission. The Artist and its subcontractors shall cooperate with the Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission's random inspections including granting the Casa Grande Arts and Culture Commission entry rights onto its property to perform the random inspections and waiving their respective rights to keep such papers and records confidential.

- o. **Compliance with A.R.S. §§35-393 and 35-393.01.** Artist acknowledges and agrees that it is not currently engaged in and agrees for the duration of the contract to not engage in, a boycott of Israel and, furthermore, Artist acknowledges that it has signed a written certification, which is attached hereto as **Exhibit C** and incorporated herein, to that effect.
- p. **Compliance with A.R.S. §35-394.** A. Artist acknowledges and agrees, through the signed written certification attached hereto as **Exhibit D** and incorporated herein, that it does not currently, and agrees for the duration of the contract that it will not, use:

1. The forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China.
2. Any goods or services produced by the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China.
3. Any Artists, subcontractors, or suppliers that use the forced labor or any goods or services produced by the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China.

B. If, during the term of this contract, Artist becomes aware it is not in compliance with the written certification in Exhibit D, Artist shall notify City within five business days after becoming aware of the noncompliance. If Artist does not provide City with a written certification that Artist has remedied the noncompliance within one hundred eighty days after notifying City of the noncompliance, the contract terminates, except that if the contract termination date occurs before the end of the remedy period, the contract terminates on the contract termination date.

We, the undersigned, have executed this document on the dates below written and hereby swear and affirm that we are duly authorized in accordance with law to execute this document.

CITY OF CASA GRANDE, a municipal corporation

By: _____
Larry Rains, City Manager

Date: _____, 2026

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Adriana Carpio-Solis, CMC
City Clerk

Brett D. Wallace, City Attorney

ARTIST'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT

_____, an individual

Signature

Date: _____, 2026

SAMPLE

EXHIBIT “A”
Call for Artists - Request for Proposals

SAMPLE

EXHIBIT “B”
Artist’s FINAL Proposal & Timeline

SAMPLE

Definitions contained in A.R.S. 35-393:

1. "Boycott" means engaging in a refusal to deal, terminating business activities or performing other actions that are intended to limit commercial relations with Israel or with persons or entities doing business in Israel or in territories controlled by Israel, if those actions are taken either:
 - (a) In compliance with or adherence to calls for a boycott of Israel other than those boycotts to which 50 United States Code section 4607(c) applies.
 - (b) In a manner that discriminates on the basis of nationality, national origin or religion and that is not based on a valid business reason.
2. "Company" means a sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company or other entity or business association, and includes a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate.
3. "Direct holdings" means all publicly traded securities of a company that are held directly by the state treasurer or a retirement system in an actively managed account or fund in which the retirement system owns all shares or interests.
4. "Indirect holdings" means all securities of a company that are held in an account or fund, including a mutual fund, that is managed by one or more persons who are not employed by the state treasurer or a retirement system, if the state treasurer or retirement system owns shares or interests either:
 - (a) together with other investors that are not subject to this section.
 - (b) that are held in an index fund.
5. "Public entity" means this State, a political subdivision of this STATE or an agency, board, commission or department of this state or a political subdivision of this state.
6. "Public fund" means the state treasurer or a retirement system.
7. "Restricted companies" means companies that boycott Israel.
8. "Retirement system" means a retirement plan or system that is established by or pursuant to title 38.

All offerors must select one of the following:

_____ My company **does not** participate in and agrees not to participate in during the term of the contract a boycott of Israel in accordance with A.R.S. §35-393.01.

_____ My company **does** participate in a boycott of Israel as defined by A.R.S. §35-393.01.

Company Name

Signature of Person Authorized to Sign

Company Street Address

Printed Name of Signatory

City, State, Zip

Title of Signatory

Definitions contained in A.R.S. §35-394:

1. "Company" means an organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company or other entity or business association, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned Subsidiary, parent company or affiliate, that engages in for-profit Activity and that has ten or more full-time employees.
2. "Public Entity" means this state, a political subdivision of this state or an agency, board, commission or department of this state or a political subdivision of this state.

By signing this certification, Artist acknowledges and agrees that it does not currently, and agrees for the duration of the contract that it will not, use:

1. The forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China.
2. Any goods or services produced by the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China.
3. Any Artists, subcontractors, or suppliers that use the forced labor or any goods or services produced by the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China.

By submitting this response, Artist agrees to indemnify and hold the City, its agents, and employees, harmless from any claims or causes of action relating to the City's action based upon reliance on the above representations, including the payment of all costs and attorney fees incurred by the City in defending such an action.

Company Name

Signature of Person Authorized to Sign

Company Street Address

Printed Name of Signatory

City, State, Zip

Title of Signatory