



Call for Indigenous Artists

June 7, 2023

Veritas School is located on the traditional, unceded territory of the Tsimshian Nation, who have lived in this region since Time Immemorial.

Call for Indigenous Artists

Veritas School is inviting proposals for artwork to accompany a written land acknowledgement in the entrance foyer of Veritas School. Proposals could include artwork that can be displayed

- on a wall of a maximum size of 48 inches (width) by 36 inches (height), such as a painting, or
- in a free-standing display case, such as a drum, painted box drum, mask, head dress and cape, etc.

Project Goals

This call aims to work with local Indigenous artists to increase the cultural presence of the Tsimshian Nation in Veritas School. The Veritas School students of Tsimshian ancestry will see their history reflected in their school and non-Tsimshian students, families, and community members will learn from the increased culture presence of the Tsimshian Nation. As a Catholic school, displaying Tsimshian art, created by local artists, in conjunction with land acknowledgment, is a step down the path of Truth, Healing, and Reconciliation.

Eligibility

The proposed project must meet the following criteria:

- Must be creations or collaborations led by an Indigenous artist of the Tsimshian Nation.
- Must be within a budget of up to \$5000.
- Be delivered no later than February 29, 2024, unless otherwise agreed upon.

Schedule

May 30, 2023: Call for Indigenous Artists Opens
Sept 29, 2023: Call for Indigenous Artists Closes
Oct 30, 2023: Chosen Bid is contacted
Feb 29, 2024: Artwork is delivered

Selection Process

Proposals will be reviewed by a panel of 3 to 5 individuals representing both Veritas School and the Tsimshian Nation. The panel will meet to review and assess proposals based on the project goals and the following criteria:

- Artistic merit and creativity.
- Demonstrated feasibility in terms of proposed budget and timeline.

The accepted proposal, and all other proposals, will be contacted no later than June 16, 2023 by a member of the selection panel.

How to Apply

Artists may submit proposals directly to Tamara Berg, Principal of Veritas School, either via

- email to tberg@cispg.ca;
- mail to 4836 Straume Ave, Terrace, BC, V8G 4G3; or
- in person at Veritas School.

We are happy to answer any questions you may have or show any interested artists or community members the proposed location for the artwork.

Submissions should include:

- First name, last name, and contact information.
- Summary of your artistic approach to this call, which may include a visual diagram or sketch.
- Artist CV.
- Images of previous works.
- Total cost.

Please note that only complete submissions will be reviewed. Please adhere to the September 29, 2023 deadline for proposal submissions.

For more information regarding this Call for Indigenous Artists, please contact Tamara Berg, Principal of Veritas School, tberg@cispg.ca or 250-635-3035.