



Carkeek Park Outdoor Art Exhibit: *Heaven & Earth*

Call for Artists

In collaboration with the Carkeek Park Advisory Council and Seattle Parks and Recreation, CoCA will present an exhibition of temporary, outdoor sculptural installations in Carkeek Park organized around the theme of “*Heaven and Earth*,” from June 26 – August 10, 2009.

The sponsors are seeking interpretations of art and nature in a world of change.

Our parks are implicitly havens (“heavens”) where we go to relax, recreate, and, in Carkeek’s case especially, walk through the woods. Carkeek is widely considered one of Seattle’s premier urban forests... *Sunset Magazine* recently named it #3 among America’s top 10 urban parks (<http://www.sunset.com/travel/outdoor-adventure/top-10-city-parks-00400000011324/>).

The artwork should be constructed of primarily natural materials and be designed to have minimal impact on the park -- either decomposing organically, leaving “no trace” – or, when removed at the end of the display period, leaving the park in essentially the

same condition it was prior to installation. Please consider that park visitors include families and children. We are open to two dimensional, three dimensional, and multi-media works. **Deadline is April 15, 2009.**

Ten installations will be selected from the pool of applicants. A small honorarium of \$200 will be awarded to each. In addition to the work being archived on CoCA's website, the show will be promoted through a brochure and a permanent standalone website. A book featuring all of the installations will also be produced, and all ten artists will receive a copy.

There will be a reception for the artists on Saturday, June 27, from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Environmental Learning Center in Carkeek Park, 950 NW Carkeek Park Rd. Entry and parking are free.

Please make submissions by e-mail with the following requirements:

- Artists should browse the interactive map of the park at <http://www.cocaseattle.org/carkeekphotos.htm> where photos of the 12 installation sites can be viewed along with notes specific to each site.
- Once an artist has selected one of the sites:
 - if the piece already exists, submit a digital image of it as part of your four images (see below)
 - if the piece *has not been made yet*, describe it in writing (200 words) and provide a digital image of a sketch of the piece you intend to install. (Send the written description of the proposed piece as an attachment, not in the body of your e-mail.)

- Provide four digital images of generally similar previous work in .jpg file format, maximum dimension of 800 pixels in either direction. Include a description of the images (artwork title, dimensions, medium, and year of creation).
- Artist's statement of 150 words (or fewer) specific to the themes of the show. (Send as an attachment, not in the body of your e-mail.)
- Artist's biography of 200 words (or fewer) including previous awards, honors, shows, degrees. (Send as an attachment, not in the body of your e-mail.)
- Contact information (address, phone, e-mail)
- Artist's web site link (if available)
- \$16 entry fee in the form of a check payable to Carkeek Park Advisory Council, 950 NW Carkeek Park Rd. Seattle, WA 98177

An electronic submission will consist of:

- artist's contact info and website;
- three attachments
 - Description of proposed piece (if piece already exists, you can skip this);
 - Artist's Statement;
 - Artist's biography; (Word documents are best)
- four jpg files.

Entry deadline is **April 15, 2009**. Ten finalists will be notified by April 27. Install dates in the Park are June 22 – 26. De-install occurs August 11 –15. Please call 206-283-4701 for more information.

Finalists will receive a liability waiver recognizing the inherent risk of exhibiting art in a public setting and seeking permission to use images for promotional purposes.

Please send proposals to: HeavenEarth@cocaseattle.org.