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New York City Department of Cultural Affairs Percent for Art – Call to Artists

Request for Qualifications for new commission at Trygve Lie Plaza in Manhattan

A group of donors have allocated \$350,000 for a permanent artwork on the west side of First Avenue between East 41st and East 42nd Streets. The public artwork will commemorate Norwegian politician Trygve Lie, the first United Nations Secretary General, at the Trygve Lie Plaza in New York City. The purpose of the artwork is to tell the story of Secretary General Trygve Lie and the Norwegian history in the United Nations. To view the entire biography of Trygve Lie, please visit:

<http://www.norway-un.org/NorwayandUN/The-Legacy-of-Trygve-Lie/>

<http://www.regjeringen.no/en/the-government/previous-governments/the-structure-of-the-registry/ministries-and-offices/offices/prime-minister-since-1814/trygve-lie.html?id=465052>

In conjunction with the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA) Percent for Art Program is soliciting qualifications from artists who wish to be considered for the commission of permanent artwork on First Avenue. One or more artists will be selected to develop and create permanent artwork within the plaza. The successful artist or artists must be experienced, professional, and have the ability to work well with a team of City agencies. The selection of the winning artist(s) will be made according to the procedures of the Percent for Art program and the artists' ability to translate the history of Trygve Lie and the Norwegian history in the United Nations into an art and/or design-based concept.

Artists who are interested in submitting their work for review may print out the registration form from the Percent for Art web site:

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/dcla/html/panyc/form.shtml>

http://www.nyc.gov/html/dcla/downloads/pdf/percent_registration_application.pdf

Artists' information should be submitted on CD or DVD (PC format) and include a completed registry form (as hardcopy or electronic Word document); a current CV; an artist statement; up to 20 images of past and recent work (JPEG format, minimum 72 dpi); and a list of images submitted. The deadline for submissions is June 15, 2011. Submissions should be sent to:

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If you require assistance, please email percentregistry@culture.nyc.gov.