Call for Artists: Boylan Heights Outdoor Installation Opportunity

Dear Neighbor,

Boylan Heights is excited to announce a unique opportunity for artists to create temporary outdoor installations to be located at four intersections in our historic and creative neighborhood, between Western Blvd and the Boylan Bridge. This is a collaborative effort with support from participating homeowners, the Boylan Heights Neighborhood Association, Heights House, and the City of Raleigh.

We've set aside \$2,500 to support a single artist or team of artists in bringing to life a cohesive installation of 8-10 pieces at the major intersections along Boylan Ave and at Heights House. We're looking for proposals that reflect the spirit of Boylan Heights — imaginative, engaging, energetic, and rooted in community. We welcome all forms of outdoor art — sculpture, light, interactive, or something entirely new. Let your creativity guide you!

Installation Guidelines

To ensure a successful and respectful experience for both artists and the community, all proposed installations must meet the following criteria:

- Longevity: Artwork should be durable enough to remain in place for a minimum
 of three months, with a preference for installations that can last up to eight
 months—from April through December 2026, culminating in ArtWalk 2026.
- Independent Structure: Installations must be freestanding and self-supported.
 Unless explicitly pre-approved by the property owner, artwork should not be affixed to existing buildings, fences, or other structures, and must avoid any modifications to personal property.
- Community-Friendly Design: Installations must be non-intrusive to residents and safe for pedestrians. They should not obstruct sidewalks, interfere with the homeowner's property use, or pose any safety risks. No political content please.

We're starting with you.

Boylan Heights residents and studio artists are receiving this opportunity first before we consider opening it to the broader arts community in December—if needed. We value your presence and contributions and want to ensure you have the first chance to apply.

If you know of others who might be interested, please feel free to share this with them; we welcome submissions from friends and family too.

To apply, please submit:

- A brief concept description
- Visual renderings or mockups
- Any relevant experience or portfolio links

Deadline for submissions: November 24th

Submit to: boylanarts@gmail.com

We can't wait to see what you imagine.

Warmly,

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