

Artist Application Information and Form
501 Oakwood Avenue Health Clinic

Unison Health and Community Services is opening a new health clinic and is seeking applications from artists to develop art pieces such as, but not limited to prints, drawings, photography and paintings that will be installed in our space at 501 Oakwood Avenue at Vaughan Rd. The art work is intended to beautify the new site and put voices to the visuals focused on the themes of: community, health and youth. Up to 25 pieces of art will be accepted from the submissions received. \$150 will be awarded to those artists whose work is chosen.

In addition, a jury will select the top three works for an additional award. First prize is \$1000.00, Second Prize is \$750.00 and third prize is \$500.00. Each artist will have their name featured alongside their art work when mounted.

An application form must be completed and emailed with a visual image of your planned piece. The application is found below in this document. If you know others who wish to receive an application have them contact sapphire.chaisson@unisonhcs.org. Your application and art information will also be sent to Sapphire at this email.

Note the deadline for submitting your application and planned artwork is no later than 4:00 PM on July 15, 2018. Please include an Artist Application form with your proposed art piece image with your full name as the file name.

All applications must be complete and in compliance with the submission requirements outlined in the application form. Incomplete applications and applications received after the deadline will not be accepted for consideration.

Written questions about the application may be directed to Sapphire Chaisson, Community Health Promoter, of the Oakwood and Vaughan Unison Health and Community Services at email: sapphire.chaisson@unisonhcs.org or by phoning 416-277-1459.

Specifications and guidelines appear on the following page.

Introduction and Project Description

Unison Health and Community Services is announcing a new health clinic!

The health clinic will provide a range of services with a focus on community members who face barriers to health care such as people living in poverty, isolated seniors, non-insured, people with complex mental health issues, those requiring interpretation and living with unstable employment. The clinic will be staffed by a physician, registered nurse, health promoter and will provide client coordination and referrals. The site will include a specialized youth clinic that will focus on youth mental health and substance use needs, sexual and reproductive health and primary care.

Partners in the health clinic:

Davenport-Perth Community Health Centre

Planned Parenthood Toronto.

Seeking artwork

Unison Health and Community Services is seeking artists to create a work of public art that will serve to beautify and draw attention for our health clinic. The artwork will be mounted in the programming space, clinic offices and foyer at 501 Oakwood Avenue. Art work must be no less than 140 square inches (i.e. 10 X 14, 12 X 12) and no larger than 2592 square inches (18 square feet) (i.e. 4 X 4, 3 X 6). We encourage most mediums of art; drawing, printing, installation, painting, photography, digital art, and decorative art (textiles and material, glass, wood, metal, mosaic, paper or other techniques). It should not have any sharp edges that might cause injury. Themes can include, but are not limited to, community, health and youth, the evolution of the Oakwood-Vaughan neighbourhood, the cultural history or a combination of any or all of those concepts. We hope to promote the creativity that allows all to express and trust themselves. We want artists to show a spirit of inquiry and exploration through their art pieces. This artwork will become a permanent fixture on our walls with artists names displayed.

Artist Eligibility

We encourage proposals from all artists irrespective of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation or national origin. There is no age limit on submissions but as we will be a youth-focused health clinic, we hope for a number of youth submissions. We aim to reveal and discover new and established pieces from people who would like others to see their art.

Information session

We will have an information session slotted for July 4th 2018 at 341 Oakwood Avenue, at the

Oakwood Village Library and Arts Centre from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. The information session will be open to anyone who is interested in learning more about the application process before the submission date of July 15th 2018. We will announce the next stage and answer all questions. Light refreshments and additional hard copy packages to be provided. All interested individuals are welcome to attend.

Submitting your application

All submissions must be original. All applications must be emailed to sapphire.chaisson@unisonhcs.org no later than 4:00 PM on Sunday July 15, 2018.

Please provide an attachment with an image that best represents the concept of the piece you plan to submit. This is a mock up for the selection panel to identify the top 25 art pieces. The draft version can be a detailed sketch if it is a painting or drawing or it can be a photograph. Or if you have a completed piece please submit that image with your application. Ensure the quality of your image is crisp at 100% view when sending. Ensure an Artist Application form is submitted with the attached image of your piece with your full name as the file name.

Selection Procedure

Entries will be prejudged by a selection committee made up of community members and local artists. They will review the art submissions and application to select the 25 chosen works of art by July 27th, 2018. All artists selected will be contacted at this time. Within a short time frame, we will ask the 25 individuals to attend an informal meet and greet on July 31st.

Meet and Greet

We will be inviting the 25 selected artists to a meet and greet that will take place at 341 Oakwood Ave, at the Oakwood Village Library and Arts Centre on July 31st 2018 from 4-6 p.m. At the meet and greet, there will be an opportunity for artists to ask questions and for us to layout any details/ updates. We invite the selected artists to attend so that we can distribute \$150.00 each in an effort to reduce barriers to completing your art. Light snacks and refreshments will be available.

The top three art pieces and artists will be announced at the Open House and Art Unveiling event on November 7th 2018.

Submission of finalized artwork

All 25 artists must submit finalized art work on the days of September 18, 19, and 20th between 12 pm and 4 pm.

Drop off Address will be shared at the meet and greet on July 31st 2018.

At this time, you will be asked to sign an agreement related to permission for use of your work between yourself and Unison Health and Community Services.

Each physical submission should be presented in a sealed package clearly labeled with the following:

TITLE: Visual Voices for Oakwood-Vaughan

FROM: Name and contact information of submitter, matching the previous Artist Applicant form

TO: Unison Health and Community Services – Oakwood-Vaughan

This deadline is a firm date. Submissions will not be accepted past date deadline. Drop off address is subject to change and will be announced at the meet and greet.

Project Budget

If artists choose to submit more than one artwork piece, only one (may) be selected as one of the 25 accepted pieces. The honorarium for the each piece will be \$150.00 to support your completion of the art work, to be provided in one installment on July 31st 2018 at the Meet and Greet. The top three winners will be announced and awarded on November 7th 2018 at the open house. All work must be dropped off no later than September 20 2018, 4pm.

Projected Schedule

June 1: Announce a call for artists

July 4, 4:30 p.m.: Information sessions at 341 Oakwood Avenue

July 15, 4 pm: Deadline to submit application

July 20: Review of all submissions & choose 25 submissions with selection panel

July 27: Contact submission winners and request meet and greet attendance

July 31: Selected artists Meet and Greet

July 31– September 18: Timeframe to complete art Installation for site

September 18, 19, 20 12-4 pm: Receive finalized art pieces

November 7: Community Open House & Unveiling art event

Artist Application form

Applicant Name(s): _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal code: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

my attached image is my final completed piece of art

my attached image is a mock-up for the art I intend to submit

A complete application must include the following:

- Artist application form
- Project description: how does your art piece connect to the themes of community, health and/or youth
- An attached file representing your proposed art pieces including actual measurements and colours of the piece where possible
- Any maintenance needed to preserve the art

As an applicant, I certify that all works submitted represented as my work are the product of my creation and no other. I further certify that all statements made in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that Unison Health and Community Services may make duplicates of my images and application materials for the purpose of the consideration of my application

I will be asked to sign an agreement related to permission for use of my work between when I drop it off

Applicant signature: _____

Date: _____

Send complete application to Sapphire Chaisson, Community Health Promoter, at sapphire.chaisson@unisonhcs.org by July 15 2018 4:00 p.m. Late applications not accepted.