



Sangamon County in cooperation with the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum and the Springfield Art Association is seeking proposals for mural artwork for the newly remodeled and expanded lobby of the Sangamon County Building.

The murals will fill three alcove sections built into the walls of the lobby. This project has specific themes and guidelines that must be followed.

We are requesting proposals for murals based on the themes and formats listed below. The finished artwork will not be created to the finished size but is requested to be created to scale so that each image can be scanned, printed, and installed in the space. (Schematics attached) The final printed, large format graphics will be a durable, fade-resistant graphic mounted to a substrate board, probably High Pressure Laminate with a phenolic backing – ¾" or 1" thick. They will be likely "z-clipped" to the wall. The art that is created will be scanned in high resolution – we will work with artist to make sure color palettes are captured.

Mural 1

- theme: Lincoln's early years in Illinois. One image across the 6 panels.
- overall size 14'4" wide, split into 6 panels 2' by 9'2", overall height 12'4"
- It is drafted with a display case or text panel below the image. (Not part of this call)

Mural 2

- theme: Lincoln in Springfield: circuit lawyer, marriage to Mary Todd, becomes a father, statesman, etc.
- a single image will be spread across 10 panels with an overall size 24' wide, split into 10 panels 2' wide, by 9' 2" high

Mural 3

theme: a portrait or other striking image of Mr. Lincoln, a single panel 14' x 10'

The total payment to the artist for the three works will be \$15,000. It is requested that the works be produced to scale, not actual size. The works will be scanned and printed to size to be adhered the panels. This is a purchase award. The artist will be recognized on each piece; but original works will become property of Sangamon County.

Any medium may be used. Digital processes will be accepted; however, we request no A.I. Every proposal must include sample images, some created in the medium that will be used, with a clear description of the medium that will be used, and a verbal description of proposed content. A Resume and Artist Statement for this project must also be included.

Three artists will be chosen from the proposal submissions to present to the judges in person. Judges will be representatives from the ALPLM, SAA, and Sangamon County. From those presentations one artist will be chosen to produce the final images.

The artist will receive a total of \$15,000 for the three works. The artwork will become property of Sangamon County.

Timeline

Wednesday, May 22	proposals due to the Springfield Art Association by 5 PM
Wednesday, June 5	invitations will be made to the finalists to present to the judges
June 10-14	artist's presentations to the judges
Monday, June 17	announcement of the artist chosen
Wednesday, September 4	completed artwork due

All proposals must be submitted in hard copy to:

Springfield Art Association
700 North 4th Street
Springfield, IL 62702.

Links to websites may be included for additional images and information.

All questions may be directed to Betsy Dollar at the Springfield Art Association.

Email: director@springfieldart.org or phone 217-523-2631