



## Arts, Culture & Heritage Commission Staff Report

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**Date:** March 19, 2025

**From:** Erika Valentine, Arts & Culture Program Coordinator

**Subject:** Boones Ferry Park Public Art 'Essence of the River' Project Update and Call for Entry information

**Recommended Action:**

Receive information from staff regarding project update of the Boones Ferry Park Public Art Project and receive 'Call for Entry' training materials

**Background:**

The Boones Ferry Park Public Art RFQ closed on February 12, 2025 and received 147 applications. Raziah Roushan (Public Art Consultant) and Erika Valentine (Arts & Culture Program Coordinator) completed an initial review and removed any applications that were incomplete or deemed ineligible for this project. There were 105 applications remaining for the first round jury to review. This group consisted of Parks & Recreation Staff, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Chair, and two members from the ACHC. Jurors were required to review and score all applications essay questions and work samples. Average scores were tabulated, creating a ranked list. The jury then met for two hours for discussion and to come to consensus on the top 10 finalists. The ACHC will be scoring ahead of time and reviewing the 10 finalists at their April 16, 2025 meeting. At that meeting, a decision will be made on what 3 artists to advance to a design proposal round.

The ten finalists are: Volkan Alkanoglu, Ilan Averbuch, Pete Beeman, Ben Dye and Travis Pond (\*Team), Todji Kurtzman, Lin McJunkin, Chris Rench, Sue Taves, W. Scott Trimble, Sumi Wu.

All scoring will take place online through Call for Entry (CAFÉ), which is where all artists applied through.

Call for Entry Training Materials:

- [Help Guide for Jurors](#) (we will be using the List View Option)
- [How to Score Entries on CaFÉ!](#)