

# Call to Artists



## Island Walk – South Plaza

# Brief

## Project Names

Island Walk – South Plaza

## Owner

North Bay Village

## Budget

\$30,000

## Location

Southern Base of East 79<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge  
North Bay Village, FL

## How to Apply

Deadline: Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 11:59PM

Submit at:

[publicart@nbvillage.com](mailto:publicart@nbvillage.com)

Submission should include:

-5 samples of completed work

-CV

-Brief artist statement of how vision aligns with  
North Bay Village brand and vision

## Eligibility

Open to professional visual artists or artist-led teams.  
Eligible artists create artwork on a regular basis for a  
duration of time.



# Detailed Description

North Bay Village’s Island Walk is a pedestrian promenade that will ultimately connect the village’s multifamily, commercial, and mixed-use properties along the rear of the parcels; it is designed to provide residents and visitors with scenic views of Biscayne Bay in a recreational and artistic setting. Island Walk segments are located primarily along the northern boundaries of Treasure Island, along the South Plaza on Treasure Island (where this project will be located), and at key locations on Harbor Island. Additional segments are added almost yearly.



In 2019, the Village completed the Island Walk South Plaza, located between the East 79th Street Bridge and the Grandview Palace Condominium.



(Work on the North Plaza, located between the East 79th Street Bridge and the Bridgewater Condominium, is expected to commence in Summer 2023 and be completed by Summer 2024. It will yield a separate Call to Artists in 2024.)

## About North Bay Village

North Bay Village (NBV) is a 3-island city located in Biscayne Bay between Miami and Miami Beach, serving as the northernmost access/evacuation route of four causeways connecting the two major, metropolitan cities in Miami-Dade, one of the US' most populous counties. As a result, NBV's main boulevard (Kennedy Causeway, aka State Road 934) is among Florida's busiest roads, with @42,000 vehicles/day. NBV has over 8,200 residents in just over 1/3-square-mile of land, making it Florida's 2nd densest city; almost 3/4 of NBV residents are Latino, African American or Asian, making it one of the US' most diverse (US Census). Given its density, location, and daily car trips, Miami-Dade has designated Kennedy Causeway and its adjacent roads as a principal "public art gateway corridor" countywide.

While celebrating its 75th anniversary in 2020, pursuant to dozens of public engagement meetings involving hundreds of residents, the NBV Village Commission unanimously adopted the NBV100 Master Plan ([northbayvillage-fl.gov/nbv-100/](http://northbayvillage-fl.gov/nbv-100/)), setting a vision for the Village's next 25 years (75 + 25 = 100, hence NBV100). The Florida Chapter of the American Planning Association awarded NBV100 the award for best master plan by a Florida community under 50,000, in 2021! NBV100's three guiding "Pillars" are Livability, Resilience (because of NBV's vulnerability to Sea Level Rise), and Prosperity.

In 2021 NBV conducted a public engagement process resulting in adoption of a Village Brand Guide ([northbayvillagefl.gov/communications/](http://northbayvillagefl.gov/communications/)) with a design aesthetic incorporating vibrant, tropical colors and celebrating preservation of the natural environment, especially Biscayne Bay. In 2022 we undertook 3 public art projects ([northbayvillage-fl.gov/public-art/](http://northbayvillage-fl.gov/public-art/)) consistent with the Guide.

## Opportunities for Public Art

The Island Walk South Plaza wall measures up to 10 feet tall (changes in height) by 100 feet long.

# Estimated Schedule

*\*Dates are subject to change.*

July 24, 2023	<b>Call to Artists released</b>
August 23, 2023	<b>Deadline to submit qualifications</b>
August 30, 2023	<b>Public Art Selection Committee meeting – finalist</b>
August 31, 2023	<b>Artist notifications and provided draft contract</b>
September 28, 2023	<b>Village Commission approval of finalist</b>
November 15, 2023	<b>Submission of proposed design</b> <i>Adjustments may be made after this date.</i>
November 22, 2023	<b>Final design presentation – Online meeting</b> <i>*A 30 minute presentation appointment time on a defined date will be provided for artist's confirmation.</i>  <i>*Final version of the proposal as presented is requested to be uploaded prior to presentation</i>
January 30, 2024	<b>Estimated completion</b>

# Process

Pursuant to the processes of the North Bay Village Art in Public Places Program, the Village's Public Art Selection Committee will recommend a finalist to create a full proposal for review by the Village Commission. The primary criteria for selection will be previous artistic accomplishment as demonstrated in images of completed artwork, public art experience, and/or initial design approach to the project as demonstrated in the artist's statement. Artists who have not created public art before are invited to apply.

Artists will receive detailed information regarding the opportunities for public art. The finalist will be invited to do a site visit and will have the opportunity to meet with Village staff.

The finalist may choose to present their final proposals via video conference. Village staff will be available to support inquiries throughout the process. Upon the presentation of proposals, the Public Art Selection Committee will make the decision on a final design.

For more information about North Bay Village: <https://northbayvillage-fl.gov/>

# Points of Contact

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