ARTS CONSORTIUM

Tulare County
Resource Management Agency

Call to Artists

ART TILES — 2026 MINERAL KING BRIDGE PROJECT

Presented by the TULARE COUNTY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY and the ARTS CONSORTIUM, this request for proposals (RFP) asks for tile designs that will ultimately beautify a Tulare County bridge and raise awareness of the great artists and indigenous cultures in Tulare Count.

This RFP was created with the guidance, insight, and formal participation of local tribal representatives. In alignment with this collaborative spirit, all submitted design proposals must demonstrate a profound understanding of and respect for local indigenous artistry. The tribal representatives will remain active participants throughout the evaluation, selection, and design review phases of this project.

Location of Tile Placement - Once completed, the tiles will be placed on the Kaweah River Bridge which is located on Mineral King Road that passes over the East Fork Kaweah River, North East of Three Rivers.

There is no cost to apply

Proposal Details

- Accepted tile materials are: mosaic, ceramic, stone
- Requesting three design options; the two preferred designs will be selected for use on two separate tiles.
- Tile dimensions: Height 1.5’ x Width 3’ x Thickness 1”
- Each design should incorporate one of the following themes:
    1. Oak leaves and acorns with Wukchumni friendship basket designs incorporated (see image A)
    2. River, trout, butterfly & quail tufts basket design incorporated (see image B)
    3. Mountainous background with Oak trees and an eagle flying in the sky.
- The elected artist will be responsible for producing the selected tile designs.

A. Wukchumni Yokuts Friendship basket, Mary Dick Topino

B. Butterfly & Quail Tufts

Budget

$6,000 will be awarded to the selected artist to realize their proposal.
Half of the budget will be paid to the artist after signing the project contract and the second half will be paid upon the safe delivery of the finished tiles to Tulare County’s corporation yard.

Submission Guidelines

Deadline: **December 30, 2026 @ 11:59pm**

Proposals must be submitted in PDF format to **hello@artsconsortium.org**
Subject Line: 2026 Mineral King Bridge Tiles

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

By submitting your work, you agree to the following terms and conditions:

- Digital submissions must be original or free of copyright and in the public domain.
- Submissions can be pictures, digital sketches, or hand drawn plans for your tile designs. Please include what your tiles will be made of.
- Proposals **must adhere** to the design descriptions provided under "Proposal Details"
- All proposals should be family friendly in nature and content.
- Administrating organizations reserve the right to request or implement changes to the final designs.
- You agree to release all copyrights of your final design to the Tulare County Resource Management Agency and the Arts Consortium for marketing and reporting purposes.
- You agree that applying to this artist opportunity does not guarantee you participation or compensation.

APPLICATION

Legal First and Last Name _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Mailing Address _____

Project Timeline (from start to finish how long will it take you to complete the two tiles):

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Your email submission MUST INCLUDE the following:

- Completed Application
- PDF files of 3 tile designs
- Artist Biography
- At least 3 samples of previous art work

Emailed digital files must be clearly labeled with the following information:
artist's name_title of file (clearly labeled to know what it is)

Proposal Packets must be submitted in PDF format to **hello@artsconsortium.org**
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