



**KINGSTON LIBRARY
CHILDREN'S AREA ART
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
NOVEMBER 13, 2015**

Kitsap Regional Library is currently seeking to commission an artist for a hanging art piece in the children's area of our new Kingston library. The Library is part of the new Village Green Community Center that is currently under construction at 26159 Dulay Road NE in Kingston, WA.

The Kingston library was designed to reflect the Kingston area and community. While lobby displays and other references in the community center may refer to Kingston's history, the design team for the library was more interested in the ways people have connected to the unique features of this ferry-served, Puget Sound community. Sea and shore elements have been used to shape design elements throughout the library and a high value is placed on making the indoors bright and filled with natural light. In the children's area of the library, we want to evoke childhood memories of bonfires, beach glass, boats at the marina reflecting the sunlight, the sun as viewed from underwater – all these helped inspire the way we responded to the Kingston setting with colors, materials and features.

We think that artwork introduced to the children's area of the library will be effective by adding to this general direction through the artist's own perspective. The artwork will be visible from the entry into the library. It will be located at the opposite end of the library from the door, with clear sight lines.

The artwork will attach to the ceiling and fit within an 8'-0" diameter ring of 10 aimed light fixtures. The artwork should be complimentary to the design of the library and more specifically to the children's area. Blocking is being installed in the ceiling from which to hang the art.

Proposal Submission:

- Questions regarding the proposal should be directed to Susan Whitford, Director of Technology and Facilities at 360-475-9176 or swhitford@krl.org by 4:00 pm on November 25, 2015.
- Proposals are due by 4:00 PM on Friday, January 2, 2016.
- Proposal should include:
 - a. Cover letter explaining the artwork in detail including materials used.
 - b. Color diagram/sketch of proposed art.
 - c. Maintenance of the art work. (Describe how the artwork should be maintained.)
 - d. Cost, including tax and installation, of art work. (Not to exceed \$25,000).
- Proposal may be mailed to:

Susan Whitford
Director of Technology and Facilities
Kitsap Regional Library
1301 Sylvan Way
Bremerton, WA 98310
- Alternatively, proposal may be e-mailed to swhitford@krl.org.

Timeline:

November 13, 2015 – RFP issued
November 25, 2015 – Deadline for submitting questions
December 4, 2015 – Response to questions provided
January 2, 2016 – Proposals received
January 9, 2016 – Winner announced
March 15, 2016 – Installation to begin
March 31, 2016 – Installation complete