



**International Association of Fire Fighters  
Call for Mural Artists**

The International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) is a labor union representing paid full-time firefighters and emergency medical services personnel in the United States and Canada. The organization provides camaraderie and works for better wages, benefits, working conditions and improved safety for its members. Since 1954 the IAFF has worked for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, *Filling the Boot* to help find a cure.

Local Chapter 68 seeks to commission an artist to create a mural to bring attention to the Norfolk headquarters located at 5691 E. Virginia Beach Blvd. The building sits at the busy off-ramp and is visible from the Military Highway overpass. The final artwork should have a fire fighter theme that represents the organization and includes gender and racial diversity as well as the dual duties of firefighting and emergency medical services. The mural should show a unique perspective that is different from the traditional firefighter themes often represented.

**To Apply, Submit to [publicart@norfolk.gov](mailto:publicart@norfolk.gov):**

- 1) **5-10 JPEG images** of your past work. A final design is not required at this stage however artists may send draft proposal sketches as part of their 10 images.
- 2) **Annotated image key** that includes artist name, artwork title, size, and medium.
- 3) **Letter of Interest**, not to exceed one (1) page, outlining your interest in this project and how you will approach the artwork design and creation

The selected artist will be paid \$6,500 to complete a mural on the 14' x 30' wall. This fee covers artist fees, all suitable exterior paint, brushes and materials. The IAFF carries insurance and will assist with ladders, scaffolding or lifts.

The IAFF will consider the diversity of beliefs, values and general standards of decency of citizens and reserve the right to refuse entries at its sole discretion. The selected artist will agree to grant the IAFF the right to photograph, video or record the likeness of the mural for use by television, films, radio, printed media, etc. to further the aims of any IAFF activity. Artists must sign a Transfer of Title document.

**Calendar:** *this calendar is subject to change*

Submission deadline	Monday, April 29, 2019
Notification of selection	May 2019
Completion of mural	Summer 2019 - negotiable