



## National EMS Memorial Service

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### Project Summary

The National EMS Memorial Service (NEMSMS) seeks to commission the creation of a site-specific Emergency Medical Services themed memorial to honor EMTs, Paramedics, Flight Crew Members, First Responders and other medical professionals who have sacrificed their lives while rendering aid to the sick and injured in the pre-hospital environment.

### Project History/Scope

The mission of the National EMS Memorial Service is to honor and remember those men and women of America's Emergency Medical Services who have given their lives in the line of duty, and to recognize the sacrifice they have made in service to their communities and their fellow man.

- The National EMS Memorial Service has, since 1993, been honoring the men and women of America's EMS systems who have made the ultimate sacrifice and laid down their lives in the line of duty.
- To date, the National EMS Memorial Service has honored 538 individuals from 48 states and the District of Columbia.
- In 1998 the National EMS Memorial was recognised as the Official EMS Memorial of the United States by a concurrent resolution of the Senate and House of Representatives.
- After years of holding the NEMSMS in Virginia, the NEMSMS Board accepted proposals for a permanent host city. Colorado Springs Colorado was chosen as this city.
- The 19th Annual National EMS Memorial Service will be conducted in Colorado Springs at 6:00 pm, Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

### Memorial Design:

The design must recognize that this is a living memorial which will, by necessity, require periodic expansion. A successful design must be easily expandable while not appearing incomplete during the interim periods between expansions. Additionally, this year design ideas and input were sought from interested citizens and EMS professionals for potential inclusion in the permanent memorial. While it is important to the board to include as many of these concepts and ideas as possible we understand and appreciate the need for artistic freedom and interpretation. Listed below are the concepts and ideas ascertained by the input process. Additional detail and drawings will be made available upon request.

- Star of life layout/floor plan incorporating the "Tree of Life" theme.
- Inclusion of all facets of EMS to include ground EMS and flight services
- Black Granite Walls with names of the honorees
- U.S. and NEMSMS Flags
- Survivor Bench Area
- Oak Leafs theme in the presentation of the names
- Dual purpose; primary for family reflections and secondary for annual ceremony

### Eligibility

This competition is open to all art and or design professionals. This is a national call for submittals.

## Project Budget

Up to \$2,000,000 inclusive of all designer fees, administrative costs, travel, research, design, materials, fabrication, engineering, transportation, installation/construction, and perpetual care fees. Lighting should be considered as a key element of this project, with those costs being included as part of the overall project budget.

To expedite this process, this project is proposed as a phased project. The first phase will consist of artist selection with the final selected artist completing all research and design requirements for the commissioned piece at a cost of no more than 5% of the total project budget, up to a maximum of \$10,000. The second phase will be the fabrication and installation phase of this project, in an amount not to exceed \$1,990,000, and will commence upon fund raising activities, anticipated in early summer, 2011.

## Deadline for Submitting Application and Materials

5:00 p.m. CST, Friday, May 27, 2011. Applications and materials must be received by this date and time to be considered.

## Selection Process

The selection process will be conducted in three stages:

1. An initial submission of qualifications stage, from which up to three finalists may be selected based upon the materials submitted. The selection of finalists will be made by a panel appointed by the NEMSMS Board of Directors.
2. An onsite introduction stage whereby the artist finalists will travel to Colorado Springs to participate in an information gathering meeting involving key stakeholders and interested parties, prior to the development of a conceptual design. Negotiated expenses related to travel may be paid by NEMSMS.
3. A final interview stage, in which each finalist develop a conceptual design for the artwork to present to the selection panel. Negotiated expenses related to travel may be paid by NEMSMS. If submitting as an artist team, negotiated travel expenses will be paid to one member of an artist team. A finalist recommendation will be made by the selection panel to the Board of Directors.

*Please note: all designs are subject to final approval by the City of Colorado Springs Parks Advisory Board and the Arts Commission.*

## Submission Guidelines

To be considered, a complete application consisting of the following components must be submitted. Only complete applications will be reviewed by the selection panel:

1. A CD with PC compatible JPEG files consisting of up to 12 photographs of recent work with images to be no smaller than 300 dpi. Slides will not be accepted. Each photograph should be named or numbered and correspond to an annotated script (see below).
2. An annotated script (two pages maximum) which includes title, medium, dimensions, date of completion, project budget, and a short statement describing the work. Save all text as PDF's or Word documents on a labeled disc.
3. A maximum 1 ½ page (8 ½ X 11) typed artist statement that addresses interest, relevant experience, your philosophy of public art in general.
4. A current resume (maximum 3 pages for each artist or each member of an artist team) including references and up to 3 reviews or news clippings about the artist's or artist team's work.
5. Materials will not be returned.
6. Submissions should not be bound.

*Please direct all submission related inquiries to Tawnya Silloway, Project Coordinator, at 877.230.3147 or at [tawnya.silloway@nemsms.org](mailto:tawnya.silloway@nemsms.org).*

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