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A Call to Artists:

K12 Gallery for Young People and Former Dayton Mayor Rhine McLin request creative design ideas for a new city beautification project called "Fighter Jet- Dayton Takes Flight".

Project Description:

K12 has fifty (50) fiber glass fighter aircraft 4 feet x 3' wide – a blank canvas sculpture if you will. We are calling all artists of all ages to get involved in adorning the fiber glass sculptures to give them flight. These will be placed on public display in the downtown Dayton area. Proposals are sought for decorating the fighter jets. For a downloadable picture of the fighter jet shell visit the K12 website (www.k12gallery.com) and click on the link under "Events" in the bottom, right corner.

The Wright Brothers were quintessential artists and inventors of their time. They were determined, they were unyielding, they took risks, they saw their creative ideas come to fruition, and they changed everything with important insights on aircraft control and historic first flights. Since then, a thriving aerospace community has grown in the Dayton area and continues to expand in size and influence. We ask creative residents to get involved in this beautification project as an acknowledgement of the impact aviation has made and continues to make in the greater Dayton area.

Our vision for the fighters is to adorn Downtown Dayton along Third Street and Main Street. The aircraft will be hung from light posts at a 6-8 foot height. Thirty (30) sculptures will be displayed along Third Street beginning with the Wright Dunbar Business District on West Third Street and extending to K12 Gallery on East Third Street. Twenty (20) sculptures will be displayed along Main Street where it crosses Third Street.

Proposal Submission Guidelines:

1. Submit a drawing of your finished fighter sculpture. Include pictures of any previous, related artwork you have created that would influence your end result.
2. List materials and how they will be used to cover the fiber glass sculpture. When selecting materials keep in mind that the fighter jet sculptures will be on display throughout the Summer of 2010. Select materials that are weather resistant and will not fade from exposure to sunlight.
3. Provide a time line for the production of your sculpture.
4. Write a statement up to one page in length that answers the following questions:
 - When using your creative intelligence – what inspires you the most?
 - How has your creativity changed the way you look at life?

