

Request for Proposals

Jean Vollum Natural Capital Center Interpretive Niches

721 NW 9th Ave, Second Floor, Portland, OR 97209

Overview

With the belief that the whole is greater than the parts, Ecotrust is working extensively to build partnerships with the Portland art community and offers its niche and display space to Salmon Nation Artists. We seek to offer dynamic, vibrant shows that will provide a different way for the community to engage and interact over issues of sustainability and the emergence of the conservation economy.

On the second floor of the Jean Vollum Natural Capital Center, Ecotrust offers several Interpretive Niches for public outreach and communication. These display spaces are recessed into the wall, measuring about four feet and are made of wood, cork, and salvaged piping from the original warehouse. Since opening these niches have rotated displays every 2-3 months and have offered information regarding Green Building, Stormwater Management, Sustainable Forestry, as well as several other topics.

Open Call for Submissions

We invite artists to submit work for consideration to be displayed at the Jean Vollum Natural Capital Center. We encourage artist to not only consider the topic, but also the materials used in the construction of their pieces.

We are currently accepting proposals for the 2008 calendar year.

To submit a proposal, please complete the form attached to this document and return it to:

Ecotrust

Attn: Sydney Mead

721 NW 9th Ave, Suite 200

Portland, OR 97209

Fax: 503.222.1517

Email: sydney@ecotrust.org

Niche Specifications & Guidelines:

- Use of the Niche(s) is free to Displayer for the dates and times contained in this Agreement.
- Each Niche measures 54" X 54" with an adjustable back cork panel allowing for depths of 4", 13.5", and 25.5", featuring one duplex electrical outlet and one network port.
- Displayer may use tacks or tape to attach materials to the back cork panels but may not attach materials or alter the painted surfaces on the sides of the Niche(s).
- Aisle ways shall not be obstructed or limited by the contents of Displayer's Niche(s).
- Displayer is responsible for setting up the Niche(s) between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. on the first day of this agreement and clearing the Niche(s) between 8:30 a.m. and 12 p.m. on the last day of this agreement.
- All logistics, materials, and equipment are Displayer's responsibility.
- Ecotrust assumes no liability whatsoever for any properties placed by the Displayer in and/or on the Niche(s). The Niche(s) reside in a public space and Ecotrust provides no express or implied guarantee against theft or damage.
- The development of Displayer's exhibit is at their sole expense and discretion; Ecotrust reserves the right to alter or remove part or all of Displayer's exhibit for any reason if necessary.

In addition to offering a free promotional space, Ecotrust can provide emailable digital photos of Displayer's exhibit. Displayer agrees to allow Ecotrust to include, at no charge, photos of their exhibit on Ecotrust's website and in printed form for the purposes of promoting the Niches and the Natural Capital Center. Additionally, Ecotrust will provide front-end promotion by including information about Displayer in the small Niche as part of a "Coming Soon" exhibit.

About Ecotrust:

Ecotrust is a conservation organization committed to strengthening communities and the environment from Alaska to California. We work with native peoples and in the fisheries, forestry, and food sectors to build a regional economy based on social and ecological opportunities (www.ecotrust.org)

**Application for Art Installation – Jean Vollum Natural Capital Center
Interpretive Niches**

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Website:

Short description of proposed installation:

Special Requirements for installation:

Are there specific dates during 2008 when the artwork will not be available?

**Please also attach any photographs or sketches of your work or the proposal.
Alternatively, you may direct us to a website where we might see examples:**