

Alewife Reservation Public Arts Project

Conditions of Participation

The proposed Utility Box Mural art must be painted with only acrylic paint and cover all four sides and the top of the box unless a side is physically inaccessible. The artist is responsible for sanding, priming, and painting (with acrylics) the utility box and accessory boxes as noted. The City will finish the boxes with a clear anti-graffiti coat.

Artwork theme: The proposed art work should reflect Alewife Reservation's rich heritage. The artist should consider the neighborhood or area where the utility box is located and design the mural to enhance the surrounding environment. Locations 1, 2, 3, shall showcase the flora and fauna of Alewife.

Due to the location of the boxes, artwork should be visible from a distance.

The artwork cannot restrict any vents or airflow through the boxes. MWRA staff must be able to fully access the components inside the box at all times. Any nameplates, keyholes, ID numbers, and windows must be left unpainted and uncovered. The artist will be responsible for providing all art supplies to complete the project. Those unable can apply for paints and other supplies.

A plaque will be placed on the utility box with the artist name, title.

Entries that use a copyrighted or trademark image will not be accepted. In addition, the art must not be plagiarized, stolen, or copied from any other source. Entries must not defame or invade the rights of any person, living or dead. Artwork must not contain: written materials, political statements, religious references, corporate or organizational branding.

The artwork is a long-term installation and will become property of the MWRA. In the event that the installation is damaged or deteriorates, the MWRA may alter, repair, modify, remove or relocate the work.