



Request for Proposals Bring “Big Blue Crab” Back to Rockport, Texas

Statement of Purpose:

This Request for Proposal seeks interested artists to bring the Big Blue Crab back to Rockport-Fulton. Keep Aransas County Beautiful (KACB), a 501 (c) (3) non-profit is the official organization responsible for the effort to return the “Big Blue Crab” back home.

The Big Blue Crab:

From its original perch on top of the old Del Mar Grill to its most recent home at the entrance to Rockport Beach, the Big Blue Crab welcomed generations of families to the delights of Rockport – Fulton. It endured Hurricanes Beulah (1967) and Celia (1970) but not Harvey (2017).



The crab was 18 X 25 feet wide and 25 feet deep from claw to fin.



“Big Blue Crab” Project:

KACB is looking for an artist to design and oversee construction of the new “Big Blue Crab.” This project’s budget depends on the generosity of donors and is not yet fixed.

Scope of Work:

Artists responding to this RFP are free to submit designs and construction techniques unique to their creative visions. The finished product should approximate the size of the original and be readily identifiable as the “Big Blue Crab.” It must tolerate weather conditions typical to Rockport’s beach area: very hot sun, winds that can reach 60 miles per hour (or more), corrosive salt water, humidity, etc. The finished piece and its mounting/display technology must meet county, city and state safety standards to protect visitors from any foreseeable mishap. It must not allow adults, teens and young children to touch, sit upon, or hang from the Big Blue Crab.

Submissions must include five copies of the proposal and provide a detailed description of the design, construction materials, and a scale model of the proposed design as well as information about the artist’s experience and a proposed budget.

Please submit your proposal by September 1, 2019 to:

Amanda Sutterfield Wilson

Coordinator and Chair, KACB Selection Committee

Submittals can either be sent via:

Email: RockportBlueCrab@gmail.com

Mailed, send 5 copies:

Keep Aransas County Beautiful
Attention Blue Crab Committee
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