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CALL FOR ARTISTS:

Request for Qualifications (RFQ)
Bike Corral
Sculptors, Metalworkers, and Foundries

Budget: $4,000
Issue Date: Friday, January 16, 2026
Deadline: Monday, February 16, 2026 at 11:59PM

Project Overview

The Spring House Brewing Company is seeking a qualified artist or team of artists to fabricate a metal bike corral to be located at The Coffin Bar on West Lemon Street at the intersection of North Market Street. See artwork specifications and site specification sections below.

In addition to the structure, this project will also feature an asphalt mural beneath the bike corral.

The bike corral project is made possible by the Lancaster County Community Foundation Fig Tree grant. This project is in cooperation with Lancaster City Alliance and the City of Lancaster.

About Spring House Brewing Company

Established in 2006 in Conestoga, Spring House Brewing Company is an arts-based, award winning, and community-minded brewery located in the southwest of the City of Lancaster. In addition to The Brewery on Hazel St, Spring House Brewing Company operates locations The Coffin Bar on West Lemon St and The Tavern in Strasburg.

Spring House is committed to more than just crafting a diverse lineup of beers for the craft beer community. Spring House strives to be recognized as the "community's brewery." Spring House Brewery does much of this work organically, with on-going sustainable relationships that include artists, teachers, farmers, and community organizers, but also through strategic partnerships with non-profit organizations.

Artwork Specifications

The bike corral must be made from durable, weather resistant materials such as steel or aluminum with a protective finish such as a powder coating or through galvanization. The bike corral should be able to securely hold 8-12 bikes. The corral must be structurally sound and anchored to the pavement.

Shape, style, color palette, etc. is at the artist's discretion, however, it should be cohesive with the theme of The Coffin Bar. The selected artist will work with Spring House Brewing Company representatives and the City of Lancaster to develop the bike corral design. The selected artist will also work with the asphalt muralist to create one cohesive space.

Site Specifications

The bike corral will be placed adjacent to the bike lane on W Lemon St at the intersection of N Market St. It will utilize what is currently a no parking space. The space measures approximately 16-ft by 6.5-ft. Delineators will be placed along the vehicular traffic side of the space to protect the location from on-coming traffic.



Bike corral location on W Lemon St and N Market St

Timeline

Call issued	Friday, January 16, 2026
Deadlines for submissions	Monday, February 16, 2026 at 11:59PM
Artist selected and notified	Friday, February 27, 2026
Expected project completion	June of 2026 (the selected artists will meet with the administrator to create a timeline and work plan agreeable to all parties' schedules)

Eligibility

This commission is open to all professional artists, or a team thereof. Applicants must be 18 years or older. Artists are preferred to reside in or near Lancaster City, though all interested artists are encouraged to apply.

Submission Requirements and Submission Procedure

To be considered, applicants must submit the following materials:

- A statement of interest (including contact information)
- Resume
- 5-7 images of previous artwork relevant to project scope.

Materials must be submitted via email to Molly Kirchoff, Program Manager of the Office of Public Art, at the following address:

Molly Kirchoff (she/her)
Program Manager, Public Art & Urban Design
mkirchoff@cityoflancasterpa.gov
(717) 847-0285

Applicants must submit materials by Monday, February 16 at 11:59PM. Late or incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

Selection Process

A selection committee made up of project stakeholders, neighboring businesses, and residents will review applications and select the artist or artist team to be awarded the commission. The selected artist will be announced on Friday, February 27, 2026.