



# Prospectus

## Manhole Cover Student Design Contest Spokane, Washington

**Deadline:** Friday, April 30, 2010, 3 p.m. PST

### Background:

As part of the replacement of the manhole covers throughout the City of Spokane, the Spokane Arts Commission and the City of Spokane Wastewater Management invites all students age 18 and under to participate in an art-design contest to design new manhole covers for the City of Spokane.

### Physical Description and Site:

The student-designed manhole covers will be placed throughout the City of Spokane.

### Project Intent:

The design should be welcoming and an enhancement to the visual appearance of the City of Spokane manhole covers. The design should appeal to a broad age range and should be uplifting and stimulating to the spirit, intellect and physical senses. The design should be reflective of the City of Spokane and communicate a sense of place. Designs can reflect the environment, nature, water, water quality or the landscape of the Pacific Northwest. Designs may not be offensive or serve as commercial advertising particular goods, services, or businesses.

### Project Scope:

Selected artist(s) will receive \$100 and their design on manhole covers throughout the City of Spokane for up to 50 years. The winning design will be fabricated by the City of Spokane. This is a design competition only.

### Selection Jury:

The designs will be evaluated by members of the staff of Wastewater Management, Spokane Arts Commission, and community representatives.

### Selection Criteria:

- Artistic merit
- Reflective of the City of Spokane
- Ease and cost of fabrication
- Clarity of graphic image – high contrast black and white images are preferred.

### Artist Eligibility:

Citizens of the City of Spokane age 18 and under.

### Submission Deadline:

Monday, Friday, April 30, 2010, 3 p.m. PST

### Project Timeline:

Manhole covers will be cast and will be used beginning in the Summer 2010

### Submission Materials:

All student artists should submit the following materials. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from the selection process.

- An 8" diameter sketch of the manhole cover. Manhole covers are round and the illustration should be no larger than an 8" diameter circle on an 8 ½ x 11 inch piece of paper.

- A one page information sheet
  - Name (first and last)
  - Age
  - School
  - Grade
  - Name of parent or guardian
- Drawings will not be returned.

### Send Submissions to:

Manhole Cover Art Contest  
Attn: Gary Kaesemeyer  
City of Spokane  
909 E. Sprague Avenue  
Spokane, WA 99202

### Questions on the submission process or the project may be addressed to:

**Gary Kaesemeyer**, City of Spokane Wastewater Management (509) 625-7909 or **Karen Mobley**, Arts Director, City of Spokane (509) 625-6050

