



## Iowa K9 Memorial

### **Purpose:**

K9 Memorial project called for the design and construction of a public space in reflection and remembrance of Police K9 and their sacrifice in the line of duty. The memorial is to be erected close to the State Police Officer Memorial, East of the Pape Building at 215 East Seventh Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

Designers are challenged with designing a public space that takes into consideration: interactivity, public design restraints, hardscape/landscape, public safety, possible inclement weather conditions, and of course social impact, while also inspiring peaceful reflection and a visceral, emotional response. The design and choice of materials should take into consideration the possibility of vandalism, freeze/thaw and durability over time.

### **Rules:**

Everyone involved with this competition must comply with the conditions and procedures laid out in these instructions. Failure to do so will lead to immediate elimination from the process. **This is a non-paid design competition.**

Eligibility:

The competition is open to anyone not specifically excluded.

Anonymity:

The sponsors of this competition will protect the integrity of its process vigorously. Competitors must not communicate with the jury about the competition in any way until a public announcement of the winners is made. Any competitor or juror found in active violation of this rule will be disqualified immediately by the Iowa State POM Committee, whose decision is final.

Competitors will be required to submit their design, not later than February 1, 2019, 4:00pm. Each competitor will be assigned a unique identification number and provided with confirmation of submission.

All design submissions must be delivered to 215 East Seventh Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319

**All entries must be submitted without any marks, logos, insignia, or writing on the display surfaces that identify their authorship.** Failure to comply with this rule will lead to immediate disqualification. Competitors shall use a single 24x36 poster board with a thickness sufficient to stand on a typical easel. The design must have enough detail to explain the design intent and have at a minimum a scaled site plan and two scaled elevations of the design area. A three dimensional view is also encouraged for clarity but is not required. Competitors must affix an opaque envelope to the rear of the competition board. The envelope shall contain the designers contact information of name, address, email address and day time phone number. Only at the end of the judging will the names of the competitors be revealed to the jury

## **Questions and Answers**

Competitors may seek clarification of this material by submitting questions to: [brent.kock@wdm.iowa.gov](mailto:brent.kock@wdm.iowa.gov). No questions may be addressed to the competition sponsors, members of the jury or other individuals associated with the competition. Any changes to this document resulting from answers to the questions will form part of the competition directive.

## **Return of Entries**

All competition materials become the property of the competition sponsor and will not be returned.

## **Ownership and Copyright**

All drawings, photographs, photocopies, and other physical materials submitted to the competition become the property of the Iowa State POM Committee, and may be retained for archival purposes and possible exhibition and publication. Each Competitor will retain full copyright of all their materials unless otherwise assigned (see "Exhibition and Publication," below). If competitors are making use of copyrighted materials in their entry, they must identify them clearly as such, and provide all copyright references accompanying their submission forms.

## **Exhibition and Publication**

The Iowa State POM Committee will exhibit a selection of competition entries-including all award-winners at the Oran Pape Building lobby and the Committee intends to publish the results of the competition in a publication and on a website in the same time frame. In any exhibition, publication, or website, the Committee will make every effort to properly credit the appropriate competitors. Since the Committee retains ownership of all competition materials (see "Ownership and Copyright"), they reserve the right to utilize them in any publication or promotional endeavor in perpetuity, and without compensation to the entrants.

## **Disputes**

The Committee, by a majority vote, has the sole authority and responsibility to recommend winners at the end of the competition. Any disputes will be resolved by the Committee.

## **Design Parameters:**

The competition to design the Police K9 Memorial Feature encourages entries that acknowledge, reinforce and complement the existing natural qualities of both the POM Site and its setting within Iowa State Capital Grounds. The spirit and goal of the competition are to create a design that will serve as the focal point and icon for the Police Officer Memorial. Entries should reflect respect for the surrounding landscape. Further the design intentions should have no negative impact on the adjacent POM in any physical or sensory way, or impede the current uses of the POM for small and large-scale gatherings.

The new K9 Memorial should enhance the existing experiential qualities of the POM for all those who visit it. The competition encourages the broadest possible range of creative thought.

The design is not restricted to a particular place around the POM, and all ideas about location are welcome. The design should respect the scale of the POM and materials should complement the existing monument. Features that could be part of the design are the names of fallen K9 in the line of duty, with allowance to continue adding names 1 to 4 names a year for up to 100 years. Another feature could be the use of Police K9 images or sculpture.

A successful design must be easy and inexpensive to maintain, as well as graffiti and vandal resistant. It must cost no more than \$250,000 to construct, and should respect the design intentions of POM and the State Capital Grounds. The memorial should be appropriate to the scale of its surrounding area and POM and proposals will be judged accordingly. The design may be conceptually spiritual, but nothing of a specific religious nature is permitted in the memorial. The design should create a minimum of disruption of current landscaping features or vegetation.

The existing Police Officer Memorial features:

**Main Ring Diameter:** 23'6" diameter

**Inner Ring Diameter:** 10' diameter

**Height of Granite Slabs :** 6'9"

**Height of Granite Obelisk :** 12'

**Height of Concrete Endcap:** 4'2"

**Existing Materials:** Black Granite, Grey Granite, Concrete, Colored Concrete, and Stainless Steel.

## **Planting and Maintenance Intentions**

The plantings in the area around the POM —both new and existing—should be carefully planned to create a sequence of spaces. All new plants shall be approved by the State Arborist and the POM Committee. The plant adult size, species, and density should be within keeping of what is common on the State Capital Grounds. The continued maintenance of the POM and K9 Memorial will be the duty of the Iowa State Police Officer Memorial Committee.

All proposals for a new memorial feature should be fully compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).