



Call to Artists: Bertha Palmer Legacy Project

The **Bertha Palmer 2010 Sarasota Centennial** celebration throughout 2010 has attracted over 25,000 attendees to date and is the most noted celebration ever of a Sarasota woman pioneer. As part of this celebration, the Bertha Palmer 2010 Sarasota Centennial executive committee has issued a call to artists for the **Bertha Palmer Legacy Project**. The executive committee has received funding for the Legacy Project through a grant from **Gulf Coast Community Foundation of Venice**, and is coordinating the project in partnership with the **Sarasota County Arts Council**.

Artists are invited to submit proposals of projects that express the achievements of Bertha Palmer, and how her work has enriched the lives of our community. Artists are also asked to imagine how Bertha Palmer's vision will continue to improve the quality of life of Sarasota County's residents in the future. The winning proposal will then be unveiled in December 2010, highlighting the final days of the Bertha Palmer 2010 Sarasota Centennial celebrations.

Entry is open to all artists 18 and over residing in Sarasota County. The artist selected to execute their proposal for the Bertha Palmer Legacy Project will receive a stipend of \$2,000, all inclusive.

Submission Guidelines:

- There is no application fee for this project.
- All mediums are eligible.
- Proposed projects will be permanently housed in Sarasota County.
- Projects can be designed for an indoor or outdoor setting.
- Applicants can apply as a single artist or artist team.
- Multiple submissions can be made.
- Proposals should include:
 1. Artist's statement.
 2. Resume.
 3. Detailed description of proposed project. Please include images, sketches, models if possible.

Proposals will be reviewed by a panel of civic, historical and artistic leaders in Sarasota County. Finalists may be invited to speak with the panel to discuss their proposals in more detail.

Mail or deliver proposals to:

Sarasota County Arts Council
attn: Bertha Palmer Legacy Project
1226 N. Tamiami Trail, Suite 300
Sarasota, FL 34236

Proposals can also be emailed to abrown@SarasotaArts.org. Please include "Bertha Palmer Legacy Project" in the subject line.

Timeline

September 15, 2010

Deadline for submissions

On or before October 1, 2010

Final selection announced

Resources

- www.BerthaPalmerAlive.com
- Black, Hope L. (2007). *Mounted on a Pedestal: Bertha Honoré Palmer*. Tampa, FL: University of South Florida. [Click here](#) to download Hope Black's thesis chronicling the life of Bertha Honoré Palmer. (757 KB)

Questions?

For assistance contact Ashley Brown, Sarasota County Arts Council communications manager, at (941) 365-5118 ext. 304 or abrown@SarasotaArts.org.

