

2024 'WINTER GLOW' PUBLIC ART INSTALLATION RFP FAQs:

What is the installation period? When will the installation be dismantled?

This year's Flatiron NoMad 'Winter Glow' period is expected from early to mid-December to mid to late-January (depending on proposed budgets and fee schedules). Installation shall begin the week of December 2, 2024, and deinstallation will occur after January 15, 2025 (for a six-week installation period) or February 3, 2025 (for an eight-week installation period).

Will the Partnership accept more than one piece?

Yes, we are happy to accept more than one piece.

How will permits be acquired for the installation?

The Partnership will secure all permits from NYC DOT and all other City agencies.

Will there be Flatiron NoMad Partnership staff available daily on-site to monitor any mechanical or technical issues?

The Partnership will assist coordination of the installation's maintenance and will communicate any technical maintenance issues via WhatsApp and/or email to the contracted design and local subcontracted maintenance team. The Partnership expects the design team to collaborate with a NYC metropolitan area team for installation, maintenance, and deinstallation.

Will overnight security be provided to keep the installation secure? Are there any restrictions regarding the use of a camera for livestreaming (no recording) for safety purposes and to ensure the functionality of the art installation?

The Partnership's Public Safety Officers (PSOs) will be on-site; however, we cannot guarantee installations will be 100% vandalism-free during the 'Winter Glow' activation period. We prefer the Plazas are not livestreamed nor recorded during the Winter Glow activation period.

Will the Partnership provide space to store equipment during the installation period?

Pallets, dollies, and other materials must be stored offsite by the design team/local installation team as we do not have ample storage space in the district.

Are there any restrictions accessing the site?

53' trailers are prohibited in NYC. Please utilize smaller box trucks for transportation and delivery (multiple deliveries are permissible). Design teams may utilize forklifts and other machinery for installation as needed.

Is LED lighting a requirement or are other types of similar technologies accepted?

We will accept similar types of lighting technology. A key element of the ‘Winter Glow’ installation is to bring light and glow to the neighborhood during the dark winter months. We welcome creative art solutions that incorporate lighting. Please keep in mind on electrical access as outlined in the RFP:

- Flatiron North Plaza Electrical Access
 - 400A PNL, 208Y/120V, 3PH 4W (bare ends; designer/firms must secure a NY State licensed electrician to tie into the panel)
- Satellite locations may have no utility access and we ask designer/firms to consider creative solutions (solar power, rechargeable batteries, etc.)

What is the sound limit?

Ambient or background-level sound is permissible. Sound is preferably intermittent and activated via engagement with the installation(s).

Is there internet access available on-site?

There is no reliable internet/Wi-Fi access on the Flatiron Public Plazas. We recommend design teams consider installing SIM cards within the installation if there’s a need to troubleshoot remotely.

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024
5PM EST**