

2025 Town Calendar Call to Artists

*A Public-Private Collaboration between the
Town of Leesburg, Virginia Commission on Public Art*

Summary:

The Commission on Public Art (COPA) is seeking photograph and artwork submissions for the upcoming 2025 Town calendar. It will include twelve to fourteen photographs, paintings, or drawings that depict the corporate limits of the Town of Leesburg.

Project Description:

The Town of Leesburg's Commission on Public Art (COPA) The Leesburg Commission on Public Art (COPA) is seeking photograph and artwork submissions for the upcoming 2025 Town calendar. Twelve to fourteen full color photographs, paintings, and drawings will be selected for the 8.5 x 11 calendar. Artwork must be **horizontal (landscape)** and depict the corporate limits of the Town of Leesburg. Special consideration will be given for images that include Town landscapes, special events, and seasonal images. Suggestions include historic buildings, parks, cycling, or themes related to the history of Leesburg. No computer-generated/assisted art will be accepted. All images must have the permission of all easily identified people in their photographs. If selected, the photographer must grant permission to the Town of Leesburg to use the images for publicity. Photo credit will be given whenever possible. This contest is open to individuals (professionals, amateurs, and students) within the Washington D.C. Metro region. All submissions will be reviewed by COPA prior to sending their final recommendations to the Leesburg Town Council. Once the Town has approved the design, the artist(s) will be notified.

Artwork Theme

The theme for photographs must be relevant to the Town of Leesburg. Special consideration will be given for images that depict Town landscapes, special events, and seasonal images. Suggestions include historic buildings, parks, cycling, or themes related history of Leesburg. Artists are not limited to these ideas and all submissions will be considered.

Artist Eligibility

This contest is open to individuals within the Washington D.C. Metro region.

Selection Process

All submissions will be reviewed by COPA prior to sending their final recommendations to the Leesburg Town Council. Both the originality of the design and the relevance of the theme to the local context will be considered. Once the Town has approved the design, the artist(s) will be notified.

Selection Criteria

- Originality/creativity
- Appropriateness to the area and Town of Leesburg
- Landscape orientation
- JPG or PNG submission (a minimum of 3400 pixel wide and 2700 pixel tall)

Rights

By entering the Town of Leesburg Calendar Photo Competition, the entrant hereby grants to the Town of Leesburg a nonexclusive, irrevocable, royalty-free license to reproduce, distribute, and publicly display the photographs submitted to the Competition. The entrant also grants the Town of

Leesburg permission to use images for publicity purposes, including postcards and advertisements. The entrant retains all other rights to any photograph submitted, including ownership. All photographs used by the Town of Leesburg will be credited whenever possible.

Timeline

August 6, 2024	Call open and posted online
November 1, 2024	Submissions due
November 4, 2024	COPA reviews submissions
November 12, 2024	Town Council Meeting to approve design
December 30, 2024	Calendar Available to the Public

Submission Process

Application for this contest must be emailed to Leah Kosin at lkosin@leesburgva.gov. Please include your name, address, and phone number when submitting your image(s).