



INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE EDUCATION AND RESEARCH MOHALI
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Sector 81, Knowledge City, P.O Manauli, S.A.S Nagar, Mohali, Punjab

CALL FOR PROPOSALS FROM ARTISTS
FOR
A LARGE SCALE MURAL PROJECT ON CAMPUS

This is an invitation for creative professionals to become part of IISER Mohali's process of building history and a rich legacy as a global leader in the production and pursuit of scientific knowledge. Come inspire the world with us!

The Intent

IISER Mohali is inviting proposals from artists with experience in public art for the design and execution of a large scale mural on the walls of the institute library. IISER Mohali is an institute of National Importance engaged in the pursuit of scientific research and education. IISER Mohali's mandate is interdisciplinarity and the integration of teaching and research.

The intention behind the wall mural project is to beautify the campus and to celebrate the diversity of research done at IISER Mohali. We seek proposals for artwork that would inspire and intrigue the IISER Mohali community and visitors. We also hope that the mural would become an iconic feature on campus and that it will create a sense of place for our vibrant campus community.

Artists submitting proposals are welcome to visit our campus and study the site. They are also encouraged to interact with faculty, staff and students and understand the nature of work done at IISER Mohali. The Library building stands at the heart of campus and is flanked by the Administrative building on one edge and the Lecture Hall Complex on the other. The mural would be visible from most of the academic areas of campus. It should therefore encourage a vision towards excellence, collaboration and global leadership while fostering a spirit of curiosity, community and hope.

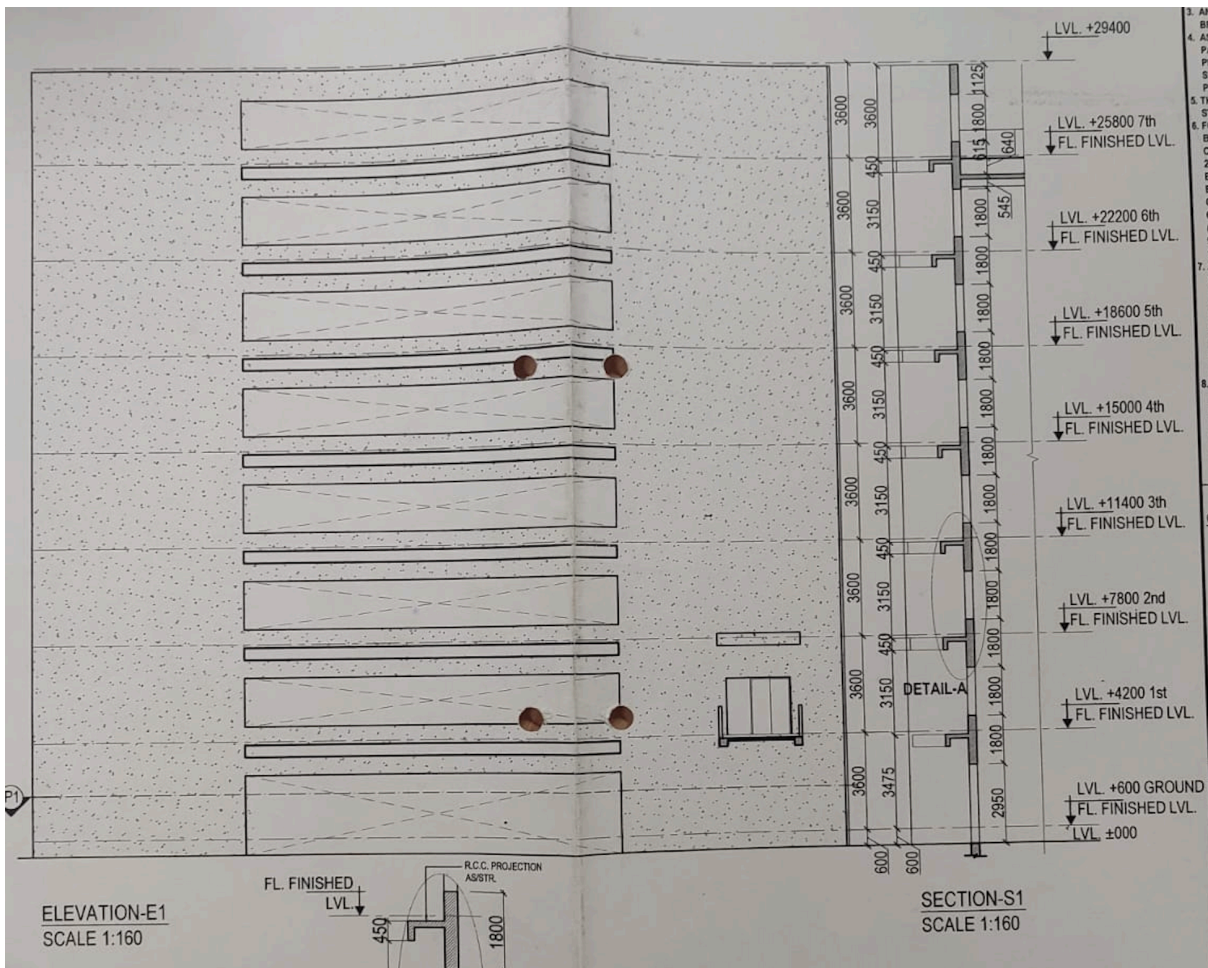
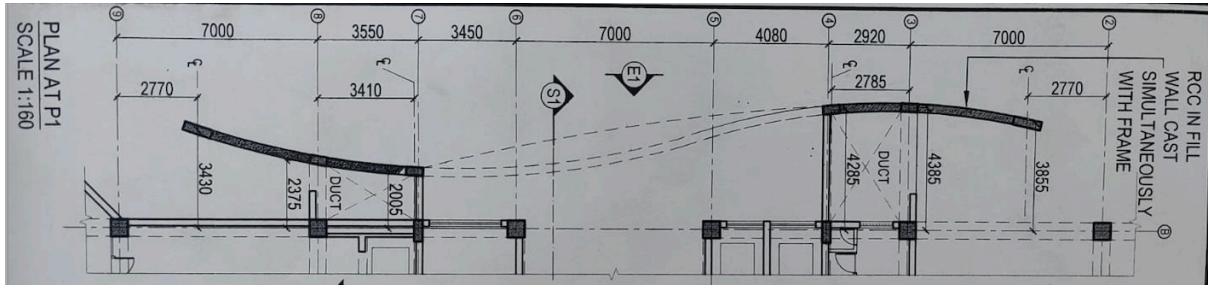
Mural Site

IISER Mohali will commission an artist, or a team of artists to paint/create a large scale mural that reflects our mission and vision. The murals are to be painted (we are also open to other materials like ceramics or stone) on the facade of the institute library. The facade consists of two slightly curved concrete walls that are connected horizontally through concrete ties/beams. There is also a small balcony that projects out of one of the facades. The area in front of the facade is a pedestrian pathway that connects the academic area with the administrative area. This pathway is lined with trees on one edge.

The pictures below gives an idea of the library facade:



The plan and Elevation of the proposed Mural wall (RCC wall) with dimensions:



Eligibility

The competition is open to all India based artists who have the capability to execute large scale artwork and/or to oversee its installation. Applicants must be professional artists, craftspersons, or designers. Preference may be given to locally based artists or teams that have a local artist/designer who can serve as a point of contact for IISER Mohali and be responsible for execution. Family members of IISER Mohali employees are not eligible to apply.

Proposal requirements

In order to apply please submit the following to anusabhlok@iisermohali.ac.in with the subject line *IISER Mohali Mural Proposal*:

1. Resume/CV for all members of the team including contact details for project lead
2. Sketches to explain your idea (Minimum two sketches)
3. Written narrative to explain your concept/vision (Maximum 1000 words)
4. Estimated budget including an explanation of the materials used and their maintenance
5. Proposed timeline for execution
6. Portfolio showcasing past work giving details of size or work, materials etc.
7. Names and contact information of two references (references will only be contacted for shortlisted artists)

Selection Process

A committee consisting of members of IISER Mohali community (faculty, staff and students) and renowned artists will shortlist upto three artist teams. These teams will be invited to further develop their proposal and make a presentation to the committee. Shortlisted teams will be given a token amount of Rs. 15,000 to develop their proposals and to make arrangements for travel to IISER Mohali.

Accommodation on campus and local hospitality will be take care of by the institute for the interview/presentation. One of these teams will be commissioned to envision and execute the mural at an agreed upon budget and timeline. IISER Mohali reserves the right to select more than one team/artist or not select any if none is found suitable.

The selection committee will take the following into consideration:

1. Originality and creativity as evidenced in the sketches and written narrative
2. Past experience with executing large scale public art projects
3. Ability of the team to execute in a timely manner within agreed upon budget (as evidenced by experience of members of the team)

Important dates

July 1: Call for proposals published

August 1: Deadline for receipt of proposals

August 20: First shortlisting and invitation letters for presentations sent to 3 applicants

September 15: Presentations

September 20: Artist team selected and contract signed. Team begins detailing/
drawing

October 20: Artwork, materials, budget finalised and approved. Work begins.

Ownership and copyright

Artists will retain ownership of their ideas until a final selection has been made. A contract will be signed with the commissioned artist wherein the mural artwork will become the property of IISER Mohali who will have the sole copyright to reproduce the work in print and electronic media for publicity or other purposes. The commissioned artist may use the images as part of their portfolio/CV but will not reproduce the work on any other site.