

ARTIST FAQs

Q: Where do I work on the Heart sculpture?

A: Artists must provide their own workspace. Please ensure that your workspace can accommodate the size of your Heart Sculpture and is properly ventilated.

Q: Can I get reimbursed for materials or renting space?

A: No, you cannot get reimbursed for materials, rental space, or any costs associated with your Heart. However, the honorarium can be used to cover these expenses. The honorariums are as follows: \$2,500 (large), \$1,000 (tabletop), and \$500 (mini).

Q: How long does it take to design a Heart Sculpture?

A: While you will have approximately two months to complete the sculpture, the amount of time it will take to design your sculpture varies by artist. Some take a couple of days, others 4-6 weeks. Pace yourself, have fun, and stay on deadline!

Q: How do I receive and return the Heart Sculpture?

A: San Francisco General Hospital Foundation will work with each artist to schedule delivery and pick-up. The Foundation covers the delivery expenses.

Q: What happens to the Heart sculpture once it's back with the Foundation?

A: The artist will work with the Foundation to have the completed sculpture delivered back to the Foundation. The Heart Sculptures are either selected by sponsors or auctioned online, and the proceeds go to the Foundation in support of ZSFG. Various sculptures are put on public display.

Q: Do I have to apply a topcoat?

A: Yes, all Hearts need a topcoat applied to protect the artwork. All large Hearts must be finished with an anti-graffiti topcoat and other appropriate varnish. If the anti-graffiti topcoat is not applied, the Heart will be considered unfinished and will not be put on display, sold, or provided to sponsors as a sponsor benefit.

Q: Can I document my process on social media?

A: Yes, and we highly encourage it! Tag @SFGHFoundation, and use the hashtags #HeartsinSF2023, #heartsinsanfrancisco and #HeartsinSF.

Q: Is the artist able to attend the annual Hearts in SF event?

A: Hearts in SF will have a virtual element that will be open for all to attend, and a limited number of in-person event opportunities that you will also receive information about. All in-person events are pending Covid regulations. More details to come!

Additional questions? Please contact the Events Team at events@sfgfhf.org.