



ANNOUNCEMENT

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS NOTICE

ARCHITECTURAL and PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING SERVICES

The San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) is accepting Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) for a Design Architect and sub-consultant team to provide Architectural programming and engineering services through the Design Development Phase for the District's ArtsCenter located at 135 Van Ness Avenue. The SFUSD ArtsCenter involves the redevelopment of a city block located on 135 Van Ness Avenue and requires the adaptive re-use of existing historical buildings as well as new construction. The Project will include the Ruth Asawa School of the Arts High School, (RASOTA), theatrical and performing arts spaces and the SFUSD Arts Institute to support the Arts throughout the District and city. The scope of this work shall be through the design development phase of the project. The District may select another firm as Architect of Record/Executive Architect to carry the project design forward to construction documents.

Proposals must be submitted to **135 Van Ness Avenue, Room 209, San Francisco 94102, Attn: David Goldin, Chief Facilities Officer no later than:**

2:00 p.m. on April 7, 2017.

This Request for Qualifications (RFQ) seeks firms with the following types of experience:

- Design of facilities supporting the Arts and Education which could include (but is not limited to) performing arts theatres, museums, galleries, music halls, studios, graphic design, creative writing, and public gathering places incorporating the arts.
- Experience in the special design engineering requirements of Arts support facilities including acoustics, vibration control, structural systems, lighting, enhanced mechanical systems, sound systems, etc.
- Design embracing historic preservation and adaptive re-use and Working with San Francisco planning and historic preservation groups on issues relating to adaptive reuse of historic structures
- Recent and significant knowledge of the local Arts Community of San Francisco and experience in working with this community
- Significant experience and participation in working with public agencies or non-profit organizations in assisting with large capital funding campaigns
- Design of significant projects in urban environments which are a part of significant urban/city centers which both augment and blend with the existing urban/city center environment
- Experience in working in collaboration with Environmental Impact Statement consultants in updating and securing entitlements for projects.
- Design that maximizes flexibility of space as needs and requirements change

- Design of facilities that incorporate sustainable/green architectural and engineering systems.
- Experience in design of adaptable spaces to accommodate multiple users and associated space usage requirements
- Experience in consensus building amongst multiple interested parties including multiple user groups within the facilities as well as the community at large.
- Recent experience working on structurally challenging projects with the Division of the State Architect

RFQ packages will be available on the District website on March 7, 2017 at:

<http://www.sfusd.edu/en/doing-business-with-sfusd/current-rfps-rfqs-and-rfis.html>

The RFQ package will provide a detailed description of the information required for the SOQ submission. Any addenda issued will be posted on the website.