



**Brooker Memorial “Call for Artwork”
February 1, 2021**

The mission of Brooker Memorial is to prepare children for life-long success through education, health services, family support and programs of excellence. These programs include child-care and early learning, pediatric dentistry and therapies including occupational, physical and speech. We have been serving families from throughout the Northwest Corner of CT for over 100 years and foster a welcoming atmosphere, regardless of family income.

We have recently been awarded a grant for the design and installation of a permanent outdoor sculpture at our location, which serves as a gateway to Torrington from the Litchfield area and points west. This piece of artwork should be head-turning to passersby and engaging to those of all ages who are children at heart! Those associated with Brooker Memorial would like this art to be well representative of the kind of joy that this organization brings to the community. It should make a loud statement that we exist for the good of the community and should have the capacity to be appreciated from near or far. It should beg to be photographed, especially with smiling, happy children around it and loving families enjoying its beauty.

We are interested in supporting an artist from the local area or greater Connecticut, but the most important selection criteria will be the artwork itself...how it invokes our heart, stirs our soul, and makes us feel. We look forward to the opportunity to connect with talented artisans and explore the possibilities that this endeavor has afforded us.

Our budget for this completed project is \$50,000, to include the artwork, shipping and installation. There may be an opportunity for alternate funding of the non-artwork costs. Proposals should be submitted by March 31, 2021 to: Brooker Memorial, c/o Sculpture Selection Committee, 157 Litchfield Street, Torrington, CT 06790 or via email: LFerris@brookermemorial.org.

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Thank you for your time and interest.