Call for proposal: Glenville East 105 Public Art Piece

Overview
Call for an artist to create a public art piece on East 105th Street in Glenville to celebrate the past, present, and future of Black ingenuity and innovation in Cleveland.

About East 105th Street
East 105th street was the largest business center outside of downtown Cleveland in the 50s. Known as the Gold Coast, the bustling street was full of movie theatres, doctors’ offices, grocery and department stores. Since the 1950s many more businesses have established themselves on East 105th Street and others left. As a result, many stories exist throughout the district.

Project Description
Famicos Foundation is commissioning an individual artist or group of artists to create a public art piece that celebrates Black business owners, innovation, and resilience. The selected piece will connect the history of East 105th Street to the history of Black entrepreneurship and the future of Cleveland. The piece will be displayed on East 105 between Lee and Churchill Avenues. The artist can choose to create a two-dimensional mural or three-dimensional installation piece.

Timeline:
September 10, 2021: Proposal due
September 15, 2021: All candidates released to the public
September 24, 2021: Artist notified of selection
November 1, 2021: Installation Complete (with possibility of extension)

Selection:
Neighborhood residents will have the opportunity to vote online and at the Famicos Foundation Annual Fundraiser on September 16, 2021. After the vote, the final selection will be made by a committee of Glenville residents, East 105th Street business owners, and arts professionals.

In the proposal please include:
- Name and Contact Information
- Description of the public art piece
- Sketches (the sketch should be an 8.5x11 PDF)
- Why you are interested in this project
- What your relationship is with Glenville
- CV/portfolio

Budget:
The project budget is $20,000 which includes compensation and material costs.
Deadline:

The deadline for the proposal is September 10th at 5:00 pm EST. Please submit the proposal to Khrys Shefton kshefton@famicos.com with the subject line 105 Public Art Piece.