



Beam Center Seeks Ambitious Project Proposals for 2024-2025 Season in New Hampshire

- Apply by December 11, 2023 -

Beam Center seeks design proposals for ambitious public artworks that will be brought to life through collaborations between youth and creative big thinkers. Projects will be realized by a community of more than 100 young people at our 2024-2025 Beam Project site: in New Hampshire (NH). Winning proposals will be selected by a committee composed of Beam Center staff, youth, past project designers, and community members.

[Beam Camp](#) is a month-long residential summer camp in the NH forest. Beam Camp has guided 1000+ campers to cultivate hands-on skills while exploring innovative thinking, design, and the creative process. Each session campers and staff build a spectacular large-scale collaborative project chosen through an annual worldwide design competition. Beam Projects have received international media exposure and won major architecture prizes.

Project Site:

Beam Project NH

- Location: [Beam Camp](#) in Strafford, NH

- Completion: late summer 2024
- Past projects: [As Above, So Below](#) (2022), [A Universe](#) (2021), and [Iceberg](#) (2019)

Our Project Team works with the selected designers to translate their designs into their site-specific context and develop detailed prototyping and fabrication plans. Throughout the project timeline, youth work in collaboration with community members and Beam Staff to complete aspects of the projects. Precision of craft, skill, and imaginative thinking are paramount in our projects and the work of our staff and campers — please take some time to familiarize yourself with our past projects in [New Hampshire](#).

Beam Center Disciplines and Facilities include:

- Wood Shop
- Metal Shop
- Textile-working facilities
- Ceramic studio
- Molding and casting facilities
- Digital Fabrication (CNC routing, Laser-cutting, 3D printing, Vinyl Cutting)
- Electronics and Physical Computing capabilities

Award, Project Budget and Selected Artist Expectations:

- For each selected project artists receive a \$5,000 award
- Selected projects have approximately \$15,000 fabrication budget
- Selected artists should have a general understanding of the processes, techniques, and materials involved in their proposal
- Selected artists must be available for bi-weekly meetings beginning 6 months before project completion in order to facilitate any necessary development, prototyping, and problem solving
- Selected artists must be able to provide plans according to the project development schedule listed below

The winning proposals for 2024-2025 Beam Projects will be:

- Proposals from creative individuals and teams, including but not limited to Artists, Designers, Architects, Builders, Engineers, Musicians, Fabricators & Technologists
- Visionary, never-before-realized ideas that culminate in unique, ambitious, and spectacular large-scale artworks in a public space
- Proposals that communicate a clear vision (sketches, diagrams, digital renderings, and other visuals are always helpful) and represent your/your team's expertise
- Proposals that make use of Beam's facilities, community, landscape and settings in sustainable ways
- Proposals that allow us to create the majority of the components onsite and from scratch using a range of materials, processes and techniques

- We are especially looking for applicants who reflect the socio-ethnic backgrounds of NYC and Beam Center youth

Application Instructions:

- Please submit proposal as a **SINGLE PDF** that includes:
 - The **title** of your proposed project
 - A detailed **description** of the project
 - Visuals (sketches, diagrams, renderings, video link, etc.)
 - Information about all **co-designers included in your proposal**, if any: names, emails, experience (resume, CV, portfolio, etc.) and phone numbers of each individual involved (including the applicant)
- Applications must be submitted no later than **11:59PM EST on Monday, December 11, 2023**

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Questions about Proposals?

Please contact Beam Center's project team at projectproposals@beamcenter.org

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