

Dear Wyoming Artists,

Wyoming and the Bridger-Teton National Forest have been asked to provide the U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree (“the People’s Tree”) for 2010. Along with the tree, we will be providing 75-smaller trees for Congressional Offices, agencies & organizations headquartered throughout D.C. as well as 5000 handmade ornaments. Of particular interest to Wyoming artists, is the opportunity to have your piece of art depicting a 65-foot tall Wyoming-grown Christmas tree selected to be the official artistic impression for the project. The selected artist’s rendition of the tree will be displayed in the Office of the Chief of the United States Forest Service in Washington D.C.



We are asking for your participation by providing your artistic talents and imagination depicting the 65-foot tree & showcasing all that is special about Wyoming. Wyoming Artists should have their finished pieces of art available to be judged by September 2, 2010. The judges will vote for ‘Wyoming Forever West Award’, which will be displayed in Wyoming’s State Capitol. In addition, the artwork chosen which best depicts a 65-foot Wyoming Christmas tree will travel with the selected tree to Washington, DC. Images of the top 10 pieces of art will be made into note cards/holiday cards to be sold as a fundraiser for the project. Information about each artist will be printed on the back of the note cards, to provided added recognition to the ten artists.

To have the artwork reviewed by the selection committee, it must meet the following requirements:

- Any medium may be used: including but not limited to: acrylics, oil, watercolor, textile, metals, photography, stained glass, etc..
- 25-35 inches high & 20-30 inches wide
- Framed if appropriate, or otherwise designed to be easily hung on a wall.
- Deadline to have a digital photo of the artwork to us will be September 2, 2010

The theme of the 2010 U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree project is “Wyoming- Forever West”. You can learn more by visiting the project website at www.capitolchristmastree2010.org

Please e-mail CapitolChristmasTree2010@gmail.com , or call Kniffy Hamilton at 307-413-1945 to acknowledge your interest or if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Cordially,

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