

March 19, 2024

Suffragist Memorial cost Est.-

The scale of the painting with or without frame will be 19'Wide x 9'High oil on canvas. I decided to make the finished piece this size as opposed to the size in my original presentation so I can start work on the memorial as soon as possible and give the committee time to consider the addition of the frame. The frame is not necessary for the stability of installation. I think the frame would be a great addition to the piece and will reflect the originality of the suffragist marches. I do not believe it would compete with the painting considering the scale of painting vs frame. The supply costs below reflect actual cost. I do not mark up materials costs or costs from carpenters or the sign company.

Costs are as follows.

Artists fee \$75,000- My fee is based per square inch, taking into the consideration the level of complexity of composition, and the amount of hours. 30% will be needed when I start the project, 30% at the end of June 2024 and the final payment upon delivery in January 2025. Please let me know if this payment plan works for you.

Supplies- Canvas \$200

Paint \$300

Mineral Spirits, Mediums, Varnish, Brushes- \$370

French cleats for hanging- \$120

Homestead Custom cabinets (fees for stretcher construction and installation)

Stretcher (frame that holds canvas)- \$100

Installation, including travel- \$400

Frame (optional) black walnut, with dates (left-right) 1867, 1912, 1920- \$10-\$15,000. I can provide a more detailed cost depending on committees interest in this option.

Memorial signage- 3'Wide x 4'High, ¼" acrylic with anti glare surface graphics and 4, one inch standoffs for wall mounting. Cost from Thomas Outdoor- \$1,975.62 (this includes installation)

Facility concerns- I have included in the emails my new version of the memorial to scale on the wall. The memorial signage on the short wall to the right, I am suggesting be similar to your other descriptive plaques at the capitol. The scale I am proposing will be 3'Wide x 4'High, created by Thomas Outdoor sign & graphic, under my direction. I have worked with this company for many years and they have high quality craftsmanship and would be able to install the plaque.

Lighting- The lighting in the space at present is sufficient, however, it may need to be adjusted to wash the wall a little bit more if possible.

Sealing the painting- I will use museum quality varnish such as Gamvar. Since the location of the memorial is not in direct sunlight and in a controlled environment, the sealant should last for 20 years plus. The need for re-sealing can be assessed at this time.

Cleaning-It should not require anything different than other permanent installations at the capitol.

The unveiling has been suggested for Kansas Day 2025. I will be able to complete the project in this timeline and the memorial can be installed in time along with the descriptive plaque. I will however need to seal the memorial painting after 6 months time as this allows the oil paint to completely dry. I can apply the sealer with the painting in place. This step is important to protect the painting and it's longevity. All I would require for this step is a 12ft ladder and about 2 hours over 2 days. The sealant needs 24 hours to dry between coats.

Suggested revisions-

I believe the changes I've made to the memorial include all of the women suggested by the committee except one. Attached is a key with a short description of the celebrated Kansas suffragists. I am excited about the new composition and I believe the changes have made it a more impactful memorial.

Please feel free to contact me with questions!

Sincerely,

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