



CALL FOR MURAL SITES

For the 2013 MuralsDC program

www.muralsdc.org

The DC Department of Public Works (DPW) is looking for mural sites in all District wards for consideration for the MuralsDC program, which will run beginning spring 2013.

MuralsDC is a partnership between DPW and the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCA). MuralsDC was created to help replace illegal graffiti with artistic works, to revitalize sites within the community and to engage young people in a legal activity that promotes respect for public and private property.

There are currently 41 MuralsDC projects across the District. Each tells a unique story of DC's diverse neighborhoods while deterring further illegal graffiti. Visit muralsdc.org to view past murals. DPW and DCCA are looking for sites that are frequent targets of graffiti. MuralsDC provides artists, youth, supplies and all materials.

By submitting your site for consideration, you acknowledge that you are giving permission for these projects to take place on the structure specified. Once an application and a signed Authorization and Agreement form are received, an evaluation of the site will be made by DPW and a MuralsDC art consultant, who will assess the site for feasibility based on the below criteria, space dimensions and the condition of the wall's surface. Sites will be selected and owners will be notified on or before May 15, 2013. Please note a submission does not guarantee selection.

Criteria for Site Selection:

- Space must be privately owned (not a private residence) and located in the District of Columbia
- Owner must consent (via a signed Authorization and Release form) to donate wall space for at least one year and mural must remain intact for that year
- Space must be a chronic target of graffiti
- Space must be highly visible from the street

What to submit:

- Three Jpegs of the site, from different vantage points. (i.e. wall, building, etc.)
- Location/address of the site
- Approximate Dimensions (length, height, width)
- Name of building owner
- Signed Authorization form from building owner (found on page 2)
- Contact information for owner (phone number, email address)

How to Submit:

Submissions and requests for Authorization forms can be emailed to Nancee Lyons at Nancee.lyons@dc.gov, with the Subject line: MURALSDC. Or mailed to Nancee Lyons, DC Department of Public Works, 2000 14th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009. Deadline for submissions is April 15, 2013. Incomplete submissions will not be considered.

MuralsDC Authorization and Release Form



Email signed form to Nancee Lyons at nancee.lyons@dc.gov, fax to 202-671-0642, or mail to or DPW • 2000 14th St., NW • 6th Fl. • Washington DC 20009

This Murals DC Authorization and Release (“Agreement”) is made on _____ (“Effective Date”) between the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (“DCCA”) and the DC Department of Public Works (“DPW”) (together with DCCA, “we” or “us”) and the property owner listed below (“you”).

We created the Murals DC art project to replace illegal graffiti with artistic works, revitalize sites within the District of Columbia, and to teach young people the art of aerosol painting. We will provide young artists (“Artists”) with supplies and a legal means to practice their skill in a way that promotes respect for property and community awareness. Artists will paint and install works (each a “Mural”) that reflect the character, culture and history of the surrounding neighborhood.

For good and valuable consideration, the parties agree:

1. This Agreement begins on the Effective Date, and ends one year after the Effective Date (“Term”), except as provided in paragraph 4, below.
2. During the Term, you will: a) allow our personnel or their agents (collectively “Project Staff”) access, at a mutually-agreed time and date, to an external wall (“Wall”) of your business (“Business Address”), each specified below, to clean and prime the Wall for paint (“Preparation”); b) allow the Project Staff and Artists to paint or install the mural agreed to (owner may not ask the artist or other muralists to make any changes or revisions once the work has begun), at a mutually-agreed time and date, the Mural on the Wall (“Installation”); c) not be responsible for injuries to Project Staff or Artists during installation; d) allow Project Staff access to the Wall to apply anti-graffiti clear coat to protect the completed Mural from future damage (“Coating”); and, e) preserve and maintain the Mural. This means that you will not cover the mural with any substance or allow the mural to be covered with vegetation, and you will keep the mural in reasonably clean condition, but you are not required to do any cleaning that would harm the mural or the wall on which it is painted. After the Term, we encourage you to maintain the Mural.
3. During the Term, we will: a) provide all materials, a professional scaffolding crew (if necessary), Project Staff and Artists for Installation; b) use our best efforts to not interfere with your business during Installation or Coating; c) have no continuing obligation to repaint or repair the Wall after Installation; d) have a continuing right to photograph and reproduce images of the Mural in any media and for any purpose; e) warrant that we are self-insured with regard to its liability under District of Columbia law for negligent acts or omissions of its officers and employees and for physical loss to property for which the District of Columbia is legally liable.
4. You agree to release and hold harmless us, Project Staff, Artists, and the District of Columbia from all liability for any claims or damages related to the Preparation, Installation, or Coating done by us at the Business Address. This provision shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of the Term.

The parties, intending to be legally bound, sign this Agreement below.

Lionell Thomas, Executive Director
DC Commission on the Arts and the Humanities

William O. Howland, Jr., Director
DC Department of Public Works

MURAL SITE & OWNER INFORMATION

Site Owner Name (Print)

Signature

Business Address:

Mural Site Address:

Phone Number & Email

Site Dimensions (length/height/width - *must attach photo*)