

Artist Call for multi-Artist, Multi-Mural project in downtown Lufkin

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Lufkin Creative is excited to announce an amazing new public art opportunity for local artists.

Artists and art teams are invited to apply to be part of an innovative, multi-design, multi-artist mural project in downtown Lufkin. All experience and skill-level community members with an artistic vision are encouraged to apply.

This mural project encourages collaboration between all skill-level local art creators and seeks a unique artist vision.

The scope of this project covers 24 panels of the Thrash Building wall, which sits between Shepherd Street and South Cotton Square. Each artist will be assigned a mural section. Each selected surface varies slightly in size. The goal of this project is to encourage community artist collaboration and showcase how “Art is in Our Nature.”

Each selected artist will receive a \$200 gift card to execute their panel of the mural (includes mural design mock-up, supplies, and artist fee for mural completion).

The Project:

As Downtown Lufkin continues to evolve into a cultural district, we have an opportunity to create a unique mural on the outside wall of the Thrash Building, which is the side of the building that faces the new downtown parking lot. The project will allow multiple artists to create an art destination and showcase the talent in East Texas.

Project Overview

1. Artists will submit previous artwork examples with completed application by March 15.
2. The selection committee will review submissions and select up to 24 artists/art teams and announce the selections on March 21.
3. Each artist will have a section of approximately 14-feet wide by 4 feet tall. Sections, exact dimensions and dates to complete the mural will be assigned after selection as a mural artist.
4. Once complete, the artwork will be sealed to prevent graffiti from damaging the design.
5. The completed panels will remain on the Thrash Building for a minimum of two years. The committee will reconvene after two years to review and select artists to place new artwork with a new theme.

Artist Eligibility

1. Open to applicants high school age and older, living or working in Angelina County and the counties surrounding Angelina County. High school students will be required to provide written parental /guardian authorization and signature.

Images Submitted for Consideration by Selected artists

1. Submitted artwork may include images representing our community, the city of Lufkin, and East Texas that inspire creativity, happiness, hope, etc.
2. The artwork may NOT include profanity, gang-related symbols or images, obscenity, advertising, copy right, branding or commercial images.
3. We seek images that people will positively connect with – emotionally – and draw people passing by on foot, bicycle or in a vehicle.
4. Images may include text or original poetry. The artist must have the rights to use the text and provide those rights to Lufkin Creative.
5. Imagery needs to be detailed enough to prevent temptation to graffiti.

Responsibilities of the Selected Artists

1. The draft design must include all major details of the proposed artwork and accurately reflect the final piece.
2. The artist must also submit a short artist statement for promotional purposes.
3. Artists must submit their application by 5 p.m., March 15. Artist selection will be announced Friday, March 21, by the Public Arts Committee and assigned a space.
4. Selected artists will have one month to provide final design. It will be due at 5 p.m., Friday, April 25.
5. Once the committee approves the final design, which should be within two weeks based on revisions, work can commence by the artist.
6. Artists will be provided deadlines to begin and complete the work once the art is approved. Execution of the mural should take no longer than a month. If the work has not commenced by the deadline or completed by the deadline, the artist could forfeit the space.

Lufkin Creative will provide gift cards for artists to purchase paint and supplies necessary to complete the project. Artists will be provided a list of the specific type of paint needed for the outdoor mural and best type of brushes and other tools needed.

Artists selected for the spaces near the top of the mural will be required to provide their own ladders or other tools needed to best reach the areas while maintaining safety of the artist and others around the mural.

The theme for the artwork is: “Art is in Our Nature.”

Please let me know if you have any questions by emailing: info@lufkincreative.com or call 936-633-0359.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jackie".

Jackie Zimmerman
Executive Director

Lufkin Creative Artist Application for Thrash Building Mural Project

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Artist website/Social Media:

Style of Artwork: _____

Artwork Description and Artist Statement:

I understand that the materials submitted are public information under the Texas Open Records Act and may be shared by Lufkin Creative with members of the public and media for information purposes or as otherwise required by the act. Accordingly, I/we hereby grant a non-exclusive license to Lufkin Creative to make and distribute a limited number of copies of the submitted materials for the purposes of information and/or evaluation of the artwork related to this RFP and the related project, or as required by the Open Records Act.

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions listed in the application and/or RFP and agree to be fully responsible for completion of my designated section of the overall mural if selected, by the given due date.

I understand the risks associated with using ladders and other tools necessary to paint a mural on an outside wall of the Thrash Building, and I hereby release Lufkin Creative from all liability for any injuries or damages I may sustain while painting my section of the mural regardless of whether they are caused by negligence.

Signature of Artist

Date

Important information:

- **Deadline to submit Application: 5 p.m., Saturday, March 15.**
- **Send applications and work samples by email to: info@lufkincreative.com,
Att: Jackie Zimmerman**
- **The Thrash Building stretches between Shepherd Street and South Cotton Square.**