

Call Type: Chalk or Mixed Media Artists

Eligibility: Cumberland County North Carolina Artists

Contract Period: Ongoing through June 30, 2024

Application Deadline: January 15, 2024

Number of Applications Allowed: Each Artist may submit up to two (2) applications

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County is seeking chalk and/or mixed media artists to transform its Free Expression Wall. The Arts Council is located at 301 Hay Street in Downtown Fayetteville. The Free Expression Wall is attached to the rear entry of the Arts Council building just off Maxwell Street in Downtown Fayetteville.

The Free Expression Wall is an almost square slate canvas with dimensions of 100" Wide x 94" High. (Photo on Page 2).

Artists may be asked to create their vision for the Free Expression wall on **at least a quarterly basis** at the Arts Council. Artists' works are open to their own interpretation of the space but should be suitable for public viewing on the Free Expression Wall. Works should not be event-related, timebound, or tied to specific community events.

Selected Artists' works will be submitted in advance to staff and the Arts Council Board's Exhibits Committee for review and approval before being created on the Free Expression Wall. Works will be reviewed based on their proposed artistic merit and feasibility.

ARTIST QUALIFICATIONS

Artists interested in the opportunity described above will be residents of Cumberland County, self-described as either 'emerging artists' or 'established artists', work in chalk or mixed media, and have some experience with large-scale design.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Interested artists should complete a short [ONLINE APPLICATION LOCATED HERE](#). The application includes: Contact Information, an Artist Statement, Artistic Experience, and Work Samples. **Artist applications are due by January 15, 2024.**

ARTIST BENEFITS

The Artist(s) selected will receive a \$500 stipend for each installation they produce on the Arts Council's Free Expression Wall. The Artist is responsible for their own supplies and materials including but not limited to cleaning supplies, paper products, chalk, paint, etc.

The Arts Council will carry liability and damage insurance for the Free Expression Wall. The Arts Council will publicize the Artists' creations on the Free Expression Wall through social media and other digital outreach strategies. Individual recognition of Artist(s) will also take place as part of the Arts Council's Annual Report. Artists may also be selected for ongoing work at other Arts Council events such as the International Folk Festival.

PROPOSED TIMELINE

Applications Open: December 8, 2023

Application Deadline: January 15, 2024

Application Review: January 15 to January 31, 2024

Artist(s) Notification(s): On or around February 1, 2024

Installations on Free Expression Wall: February 2024 to June 30, 2024

QUESTIONS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Questions may be submitted to Antonio Renteria, Director of Operations by email at AntonioR@theartscouncil.com or by telephone at 910-323-1776 ext. 1003.

ARTS COUNCIL FREE EXPRESSION WALL – 301 HAY STREET (Maxwell Street)

