

CALL FOR ARTISTS

NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY MURAL PROJECT

The Neptune Township Arts Committee is seeking artists to create vibrant public artwork on two bus shelters and six community recreation boards throughout Neptune Township.

Art should reflect our mission statement - To cultivate a vibrant arts culture that inspires expression, celebrates diversity, and brings people together through shared creative experiences.

AVAILABLE COMMISSIONS

Bus Shelter Murals

- 2 commissions available
- Artist stipend: \$1,500 each

Community Recreation Board Murals

- 6 commissions available
- Artist stipend: \$500 each

LOCATIONS

Bus Shelters

- Route 33 & Oxford Way (Gables)
- Route 33 & Green Grove Road

Recreation Boards

- Route 33 & Oxford Way (Gables)
- Route 35 & 9th Avenue (Bradley Park)
- West Bangs Avenue (Loffredo Field)
- Brighton Avenue (Shark River Hills)
- Jumping Brook Road
- Route 33 & Green Grove Road

WHO MAY APPLY

Artists of all experience levels are encouraged to apply. Preference may be given to Neptune Township and Monmouth County artists.

Individual artists, artist teams, and collaborative groups are welcome to apply. Applicants may submit proposals for one location, multiple locations, or all available mural opportunities.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Artist name and contact information
- Brief artist biography
- Concept sketch or rendering
- Description of proposed artwork (250 words maximum)
- Examples of previous work (optional but encouraged)



- Indicate which location(s) you are applying for
- Social media handles

PAYMENT AND PROJECT TERMS

Artists selected for this project will be compensated upon successful completion of the artwork and submission of a completed IRS Form W-9 to Neptune Township.

The stipend listed for each project represents the total compensation to the artist. Neptune Township will not provide reimbursement for supplies or additional project costs.

Artists selected to paint a Recreation Board mural will be provided with one (1) 4-foot by 5-foot pressure-treated plywood panel by Neptune Township. The panel may be picked up from a designated Township location and completed by the artist at a location of their choosing. Once the artwork is finished, the completed panel must be returned to the Township.

Please note that artwork created on the Recreation Boards is intended to enhance these structures while they are not in use for Township programming. Recreation Board murals will be periodically removed as needed to allow the boards to advertise Township recreation events and other community programming.

MATERIALS AND PAINT REQUIREMENTS

Artists are responsible for supplying all paints, primers, brushes, equipment, and other materials necessary to complete their project. To ensure the longevity and durability of the artwork, murals on Recreation Boards must be painted using a high-quality exterior-grade paint applied over an appropriate exterior primer. Murals on Bus Shelters must be painted using either a mineral-based masonry paint or an acrylic latex masonry paint specifically formulated for exterior masonry surfaces.

Upon completion, all murals must be sealed with a high-quality, UV-resistant, anti-graffiti clear protective coating suitable for exterior public art. The protective coating should help preserve the artwork from weathering, fading, and vandalism while allowing for easier cleaning and maintenance. Artists are encouraged to select products that are compatible with their chosen paint system and designed for long-term outdoor exposure.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

September 15th 2026

INSTALLATION PERIOD

October 2026 – November 2026

SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO

artscommittee@neptunetownship.org