



NORTHEAST KANSAS CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## OPEN CALL FOR MURAL ARTISTS

The Independence Ave. TRUCK EATING BRIDGE  
Is located just West of the Taqueria Mexico 2 restaurant at  
5920 Independence Ave.

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce is seeking artists for Each wall or a combination of multiple walls. Project includes you or your teams' concept and painting materials, wall prep, equipment, labor to complete the mural and protective varnish coating. The area to be painted includes the four entry walls seen from oncoming traffic from both the East and West. The center pillars and overhead bridge opening faces are NOT included.

All measurements are Estimates.

- A. SE Wall Entrance: 547 sq. ft. = 16% of total square footage. Area include fence wall to the power box.
- B. NE Wall Entrance: 1,129 sq. ft. = 33% of total square footage. Area includes 20 ft. under bridge crease to the end of wall as you face east.
- C. NW Wall Entrance: 914 sq. ft. = 27% of total square footage. Area includes top of stairs to bridge crease.
- D. SW Wall Entrance: 825 sq. ft. = 24% of total square footage. Area includes 14 ft. under bridge crease to end of the wall as you face west.

Total Square Feet = 3,415. Please note: All area totals are estimates.

### ARTIST ELIGIBILITY

Artists or teams of artists interested in creating these murals should schedule to be completed by August 5, 2024. Artists and /or team leaders must be over the age of 18, and reside in Kansas City, Mo or the surrounding area.

### PROJECT GOALS

- Create art with the concept theme of (Planes, Trains, Automobiles& Trucks Traversing) the Independence Avenue Truck Eating Bridge. If you google this bridge & you will find it and its long history
- Imagery/graphics preferred, limited Letters & Numbers.
- Great Murals reduce & eliminate graffiti.

### PROJECT BUDGET

The total amount of the commission art is \$17,000, which is inclusive of the project description.

## SELECTION PROCESS

- The selection committee consists of one representative each from the Railroad, two Neighborhood residents (Indian Mound & Sheffield) , Chamber representative and HNE Media.
- **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**
- Art Proposal: A visual rendering illustrating the artwork design one to 4 walls and concept is required for each submission. Include supplemental information such as inspiration or additional sketches.
- Supporting Materials: May include but not limited to a CV / resume, letter of interest, portfolios image & / or reviews of previously completed works. Examples should describe size, materials, cost, and location of other public works. References for earlier projects are encouraged.
- Submit your application & concept drawings to [rebeccakoop@nekcchamber.com](mailto:rebeccakoop@nekcchamber.com) as a pdf, jpeg, png, etc.,  
**Phone: c 816-808-2789**
- In order to have some cohesiveness for the drivers a color palette is provided. The walls on the East should be Cool colors and the walls on the West should be Warm colors.

## TIMELINE

- **May 18**, Site visit, applications available.
- **June 5, 2024 DEADLINE** RFP submission Noon 12:00 pm.
- **June 15**, Saturday, Jury of submissions.
- **June 21** Friday, Artists will be notified.
- **Aug 4**. Mural completed.
- **Aug 17**. Saturday, Mural Reveal ceremony. Time to be announced.

## PROJECT POLICIES

Artist(s) will retain the ownership of design ideas submitted with this application until a selection has been made and contract signed between the artist and the NEKC Chamber. At the time a contract is awarded, the ownership the design and the artwork produced, in the case of the public art project, will become the property of the NEKC Chamber of Commerce



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ARTIST ENTRY FORM

**#HNEmurals 2024**

**DEADLINE June 5, 2024 noon**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Website \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Briefly Describe the Concept Behind Your Work:** *Or attach it as a separate document.*

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**Social Media Handles Facebook:**

**Instagram:**

**Twitter:**

Submit your Artist Bio and/or CV / Resume to [rebeccakoop@nekcchamber.com](mailto:rebeccakoop@nekcchamber.com)

**Submit your concept drawings. One or One for each wall. The total amount of the commission is \$17,000 for all 4 walls. The selection committee is open to consider an applicant for less than all 4 walls with appropriate stipends for the size of walls.**

Example Image label JPG: (Last Name, NE Wall .jpg)

- A. SE Wall: 547 sq. ft. = 16% of the total area. Entrance 14 ft + 27 ft = 41 ft
- B. NE Wall: 1,129 sq. ft = 33% of the total area. Entrance 43 ft. + 20 ft visible under bridge from road = 63 ft
- C. NW Wall: 914 sq. ft. Entrance 50 ft. from bridge to stairs. Stairs 38 ft. (19 ft) = 69ft.
- D. SW Wall: 825 sq. ft. Entrance 56 ft. + 14 visible under bridge from road = 70 ft.

Total Square Feet: 3,415

**IMPORTANT**

If you are accepted, by submitting your entry you give #HNEmurals 2024 and the Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce & the Independence Avenue Community Improvement District the right to publish your images for publicity purposes for our web site or as part our social media presence.

(All credits to artist will be included). We may ask select artists to provide higher resolution jpegs suitable for publishing.

As an applicant for the opportunity to complete this public art project for the NEKC Chamber of Commerce, I certify that all work submitted represented as my work are the product of my creation and no other. I further certify that all statements made in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.



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Deadline **June 5, 2024**

Disclaimer

**Please Sign and Submit this  
Form with Your Art to:  
[rebeccakoop@nekcchamber.com](mailto:rebeccakoop@nekcchamber.com)**

**Office located at:  
2657 Independence Avenue KC MO 64124**

I, the undersigned, hereby give permission for this art to be used for the purpose of public engagement and used as a mural selection tool. It will also be used as a promotional tool for the #HNEmurals project.

I understand that the finished art is the property of the Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce.

I will be given credit for its creation with my name and/or accompanying artist bio/or title. Both in text and (Plaque on the Wall)

**NOTE:** the finished mural will also be used for publicity purposes and be signed by all artists contributing to its completion.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date signed: \_\_\_\_\_

A complete application must include the following:

- ☐ Artist application form
- ☐ Letter of Interest/project description
- ☐ Images of previous work
- ☐ Color representation of the proposed artwork.



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C. NW Wall Entrance – 914 sq. ft. Width is 50 ft + 38 ft the stair width.



D. SW Wall Entrance = 825 sq. ft. Width is 56 ft + 14 ft visible under bridge.

