

The Town of Creston's Public Art Working Committee is pleased to announce a call for proposals from artists and artist teams for the creation of a new mural to enhance the former Ambulance Building.

This nature-inspired mural will draw from the landscapes and wildlife of the Creston Valley to create a vibrant, focal point in the heart of our community. The mural will also incorporate elements of the Ktunaxa language and culture—fostering inclusivity, respect, and cultural awareness. More than just a visual enhancement, the mural will represent a meaningful step toward reconciliation.

This project is part of Creston's ongoing efforts to expand and enrich its public art collection. The Town is committed to showcasing art that reflects our diverse culture, history, and community values. We look forward to seeing your ideas for a meaningful and visually striking addition to our public space.

About Creston:

Creston is located on the unceded traditional territory of the Yaqan Nukiy, a community within the Ktunaxa Nation. Nestled between the Selkirk and Purcell mountain ranges, Creston is a vibrant town with a rich and diverse history—and a bright, promising future.

Renowned for its breathtaking natural landscapes, abundant wildlife, thriving agriculture, and the incredible people who call it home, Creston is a community rooted in connection and character.

We are seeking an artist who can create a mural that reflects the healing power of nature, celebrates the unique identity of the Creston Valley, and honours the cultural richness of the Ktunaxa people.

Proposal Requirements:

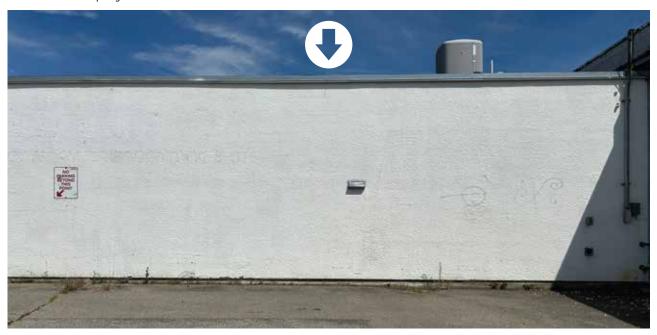
- Artists must submit a written proposal in PDF format detailing their concept, including a description of the proposed artwork, and how it reflects the theme.
- · A portfolio of past work, including images and descriptions of previous public art projects.
- · A CV or resume detailing the artist's or team's experience and qualifications.
- · A budget outline for the project, including all materials and labor costs.
- · A timeline for the completion of the mural.
- · Any additional information that supports the proposal, such as community engagement plans or letters of recommendation.

Selection Criteria:

- Creativity and originality of the concept, particularly in representing the natural beauty and wildlife of the Creston Valley.
- Relevance to the theme of nature, and cultural inclusion, including thoughtful incorporation of Ktunaxa language elements.
- · Ability to thoughtfully engage the community and respectfully reflect the cultural and demographic diversity of Creston.
- · Quality of past work, particularly experience with public art and community-based projects.
- · Feasibility of the proposed timeline, materials, and budget for successful project completion.

Mural Specifications:

- The mural will be located on the west wall of 199 10th Avenue, North, Creston BC.
- The wall dimensions are 40' ft wide x 12'ft tall, and the artwork should be designed to fit these specifications.
- The mural must be weather-resistant and durable, using high-quality materials suitable for outdoor display.



Submission Deadline:

All proposals must be submitted by July 25, 2025.

How to Apply:

Please send your proposal to Brandy Dyer (brandy.dyer@creston.ca) with the subject line "Creston Mural Proposal - [Your Name/Team Name]".

Selection Process:

Shortlisted artists may be invited to present their proposals in person. The selected artist or team will be notified by August 1, 2025.

Commission:

The commissioned artist or team will be expected to work collaboratively with the Town of Creston, as well as with Yaqan Nu?kiy Elders, language keepers, and knowledge holders, to finalize and execute the mural design.

Community Engagement:

We encourage proposals that include a plan for community engagement, such as workshops, live painting events, or other interactive elements that will involve residents of Creston in the creation of the mural.

The Town of Creston is excited to see how artists will interpret the beauty, spirit, and cultural richness of the Creston Valley. We look forward to selecting a mural that reflects our shared values, celebrates cultural respect and diversity, and becomes a lasting source of pride and inspiration for our community and its visitors.

For any questions please don't hesitate to direct questions to:

Brandy Dyer: brandy.dyer@creston.ca

