

Catawban Cultural Hall Mural Contest Application

A new multicultural exhibit in the Catawba County History Museum, entitled "Unpacking: How many cultures make Catawba home" highlights stories of immigration to Catawba County over the last 40 years.

Inspired by the diversity of experiences and voices in the exhibit, the Historical Association of Catawba County will hold a countywide contest to select a local artist to paint the museum's first piece of public art.

The mural will be installed on the ground floor of the 3-story 1924 courthouse, in the heart of the "Unpacking" exhibit. It will encompass a 4-foot by 8-foot area and will be a 2 dimensional project.

The artist will be selected by a panel of 8 community members, including representatives from the Historical Association of Catawba County and the United Arts Council of Catawba County. The artist will be awarded with a \$500.00 stipend and \$250.00 for supplies.

Supported by the United Council for the Arts Grassroots Arts Project (GAP) and by private contributions and the NC Arts Council, a division of the North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources.

Eligible artists will meet the following criteria:

- Catawba County resident
- Able to work within the timeline for project completion
- Able to work within the time constraints of museum hours, Tuesday through Saturday from 9am to 4pm.
- Able to work on the mural at the Catawba County History Museum (space provided with natural light and adequate water supply)

Application: Proposed mural proposals will include a draft sketch with 3 points of reference from the exhibit, a reasonable timeline for project completion, a written explanation of proposed mural symbolism, characters, etc., and a brief statement about why diversity matters to the Catawban community. *NOTE: Because of the diverse nature of our community, and this exhibit, applicants of all ages, races, and ethnicities are encouraged to apply.* Applications will be available on the Historical Association of Catawba County website, www.catawbahistory.org

Important dates:

- March 22nd: Applications due.
- March 28th: Selected artist will be announced.
- April 2nd May 3rd: Mural construction.
- May 17th: Tentative unveiling date.



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Please fill out and send to HACC PO Box 73 Newton, NC 28658 or email unpackingexhibit@gmail.com

Name:		
Address:		
Email: Phone:		
Describe your experience with art (public art or otherwise):		
What media would you use for the mural?		
2. Are you able to provide photographs or examples of your artwork?	Yes	□ No
3. Would you be able to work on the mural on-site within the Catawba	County Hist	ory Museum
located in downtown Newton during the following time constraints: Tu	esday-Satur	day, 9 am –
4 pm? Please note you would be working in an area with ample lighting	and water	supply.
Yes No		
4. Would you be able to complete the project between April 2 – May 3	? □Yes	\square_{No}

5. Based on your submitted sketch, please provide a summary of the symbolism, characters,
theme of your proposed mural.
6. In your opinion, why does diversity matter to the community of Catawba County?

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Applications due March 22, 2018. You may submit your application several ways:

- 1. Mail: Print out application, a proposed sketch of the mural and any examples of previous work (optional) to H.A.C.C. Attn: Mural Committee, PO Box 73, Newton, NC 28658
- 2. Email: Scan and send application, proposed sketch of mural and any examples of previous work (optional, may also send links to website). Email address: unpackingexhibit@gmail.com
- 3. In Person: You may drop off the above mentioned materials to staff at the Catawba County History Museum at 30 N. College, Newton, NC 28658 on the Square in downtown Newton.

Questions? Email us at unpackingexhibit@gmail.com or call (828) 465-0383