

**Entry Deadline:** July 6, 2025

**Call Type:** Public Art

**Eligibility:** Southern Maryland

**Budget:** The budget of \$3,200 for this project is inclusive of artist's fees, paint/materials, fabrication, onsite installation, and travel. Panels will be provided by the Arts Council for the mural that will be installed on-site. Three finalists selected will be paid a \$400 stipend to produce a rendering for consideration of final selection.

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## PROJECT DESCRIPTION, LOCATION AND THEME

This outdoor mural is 128 square feet. The mural will be painted on four (4) panels that measure 8 ft x 4 ft to be installed as a 4 ft height x 32 ft length mural on the wooden boat shed at the Calvert Marine Museum.

The mural design should seek to highlight the history of the Calvert County area through figurative representation and seek to include the community input provided at community sessions hosted in April and May 2025. History photographs and public input summary are provided for viewing along with this call-for-artists. This public input was provided by members of the community during the five community meetings held during April and May 2025, along with uploads to the Arts Council website from the community. These photographs and ideas from the community about topics to be considered for inclusion in the mural should serve as inspiration for the history representation the artist proposes. Additional research guidance for the artist's depiction can be facilitated by the Arts Council with area organizations.

The building location for this mural is the Calvert Marine Museum located at 14200 Solomons Island Rd S, Solomons, MD 20688. It is the west facing wall of the wooden boat shed that is next to the pavilion and stage. This wall is highly visible to visitors at Calvert Marine Museum and is along the sidewalk to the entrance, which is easily viewable and approachable by pedestrians visiting the site.

## BUDGET

The budget of \$3,200 for this project is inclusive of artist's fees, paint/materials, fabrication, onsite installation, and travel. In addition to the \$3,200 provided to the artist, four (4) ACM PolyMetal panels will be provided by the Arts Council to the artist selected for off-site painting of the mural or can be installed on-site prior to painting if the artist would prefer to paint the design on-site.

One-half of the honorarium upon execution of contract. The second half of the honorarium shall be disbursed after the mural is completed and has been approved by the Arts Council and Calvert Marine Museum.

Three finalists selected will be paid a \$400 stipend to produce a rendering for consideration of final selection.

## MURAL SPECIFICATIONS

Mural must be of original design with lifespan of at least 10 years.

Wall Specifications: Mural must cover 100% of space of the 4 ft height x 32 ft length mural created by the four (4) panels that will be mounted on the wood structure. (See included photos.)



Mural must be low maintenance and weather resistant.

Content must be appropriate for all ages. The Arts Council reserves the right to inspect all work and instruct the removal of elements. Designs that are vulgar, politically polarized, and contain profanity or offensive language or symbols will not be considered. Designs must not include advertising and soliciting, or copyrighted materials.

## PROJECT SCHEDULE

The Arts Council anticipates choosing an artist by August 15, 2025. **The proposed project must be completed by January 1, 2026.** Any project that would require a later final completion date may be submitted with a full explanation of why a later completion date should be considered.

June 6 – July 6, 2025 : Applications accepted

July 11, 2025: 3 finalists chosen

August 11, 2025: 3 finalists' sketches due

August 15, 2025: Selected artist announced

January 1, 2026 : Date mural must be completed

## PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

The following should be included in the proposal:

1. Resume/CV of the Artist submitting the proposal that demonstrates qualifications to complete similar projects.
2. Three to five (3-5) digital images of completed mural work by the artist, which can include commissioned pieces.
3. A written statement from the artist discussing their vision for the mural.
4. A complete description of the materials and types of paint the artist will use for the mural.

5. A project process description that includes a timeline for completion and installation of project.

Eligible artists must reside in Maryland. Preference will be given to Southern Maryland based artists. A project application can be submitted by a group of artists, but specific contractual obligations may apply.

## SELECTION PROCESS

Submittals will go through the Arts Council of Calvert County. If you have any additional questions, please contact Katie Brinkley at [director@calvertarts.org](mailto:director@calvertarts.org).

The deadline for submitting applications is July 6, 2025 at 11:59PM.

The Arts Council committee will review the submitted proposals and will select three (3) finalists whose proposal submission and qualifications demonstrate the ability to complete the project to the full extent of the proposal and in a timely manner.

Detailed sketches or renderings of the mural design will be requested from the three (3) finalists and a final design/artist will be selected by August 15, 2025.