



40 West Arts District OPEN CALL

Exploratory, interactive, and spectacle art in conjunction with our District-wide Art Walks

KEY INFORMATION

- Submission Deadline: Ongoing
- Art Walk Dates: First Fridays in March, June, and October of each year, from 5-8pm
- District Location: 1560 Teller Street, Lakewood, CO 80214
- Artist Fee: Up to \$500 per event, depending on project scope, materials, etc.

DISTRICT BACKGROUND

40 West Arts District is a Colorado Creative Industry (CCI) certified arts district in the heart of the Lakewood West Colfax corridor. Our vision is the emergence of an active, vibrant artistic destination where both residents and visitors alike are immersed in creativity through community arts spaces, community arts events, gallery exhibitions, creative businesses, public art, and projects that promote and expand the arts in all forms.

EVENT BACKGROUND

40 West Arts Gallery holds monthly Opening Receptions for its exhibitions on the first Friday of each month. During three of those months (March, June, and October) we open the doors to every creative business & organization in the district, for our multi-venue district Art Walks. These three events are an opportunity to showcase the district in its entirety, revealing the multiple creative businesses, studios, shops, and organizations that make their home in 40 West Arts District.

CREATIVE BRIEF

We want our Art Walks to create a 'spectacle', something so big, or so interesting, or so powerful, that visitors to the district walk away saying "I want to come back here again". These spectacles could take the form of interactive art, large-scale temporary sculptures, performance art, video installation, or other. Your imagination is the only limitation. Past examples of Art Walk creative experiences include live, large-scale interactive video games by the group OhHeckYeah and interactive art-making projects where participants splashed color on 10' tall pieces of white paper, to create collaborative abstract art. These are only examples, feel free to take your submission in an entirely different direction. We love projects that invite audience participation, are immersive and/or interactive, and promote curiosity and intrigue.

HOW TO SUBMIT

Interested artists should submit the following information, via email to submissions@40westarts.org. Please use the subject heading 'Open Call, Art Walks'.

- Artist information (must include full name, phone number and email address)
- Portfolio Link or up to 6 images of previous artistic work completed

- Concept image and descriptions: Artists may submit works that are already fully complete, or proposed concepts that are in development. Please provide as full and complete a description of the project as possible.

NEXT STEPS

40 West Arts District will contact you with within 2-3 weeks of receiving your submission to schedule a phone or in-person interview regarding your proposal. If selected, ½ of the artist fee will be paid upon contract signature, and ½ upon completion of the Art Walk event.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT & CREATING COMMUNITY THROUGH THE ARTS!

Questions? Email: info@40westarts.org | Call: 303-275-3430 | Learn more at www.40WestArts.org