PUBLIC ART APPLICATION

This application is for anyone in the Central Business District in Downtown La Plata who wants to plan an exterior art project: a mural, a sculpture, anything that is not signage.

This application is your tool to convince the panel(s) that your project deserves a grant and deserves to go up in town. A narrative outlining the specifics of your project, pictures, design plans and any other related information is highly encouraged, but not required.

Please fill out the following form and submit it to the Keep La Plata Beautiful: Arts Workgroup in person to Town Hall 305 Queen Anne Street or mail to PO Box 2268 La Plata MD 20646, or email to kphipps@townoflaplata.org

*Project Title: _______________________________________________________________

*Total Project Cost: ____________________ *(Please include a separate breakdown of materials/ labor)

*Project Contact Person- Name: __________________________________________________

*Contact Person’s email: _______________________________________________________

*Artist(s)/group that will be performing the work : _________________________________

*Artist’s website/portfolio (If one doesn’t exist please include photos of similar works they have done): _______________________________________________________________

*Project Address:
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** Please attach or provide photos of existing location

*Details on location if needed :
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*Artist Statement/description of the artwork: ______________________________________
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*Materials that will be used to complete the project:
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*Size of total project:_________________________________________________________

*Time needed to complete the project: __________________

*How soon can the project get started ? __________________________

*How do you/the artist plan to maintain the project once it’s completed? :
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*Does your project include any electrical components? Or need any footers or any structural components?: _______________________________________________________________
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After submitting this application, it will go to the Director of Legislative Services, Kelly Phipps, in Town Hall as well as the chair of the Arts Workgroup, Shannon Wang. Your application will be reviewed and if we have any questions we will get back to you asap. We will then assemble the first panel which is made up of members of the Arts Workgroup in town, once your project gets voted on there, we send our recommendation to the 2nd Selection Panel.

The Second Selection panel will consist of at least one business owner in the Central Business District, a Town Councilman/Council Woman, a member of the Design Review Board, The Director of Legislative Services, the Chair of the Arts Workgroup, and a Beautification Member. With our recommendation, they will be voting on the following criteria:

1. Long term benefit to the Town of La Plata
2. Impact of the aesthetic improvement
3. Uniqueness of the project idea
4. Timely Completion

After the 2nd panel has voted and made the final decision you will be informed via email of the decision. Please know that we will make every effort to speed up the process as much as possible.

Final decision:
If your project is approved it can move forward as planned.

If your project is approved and you are awarded funds. Your project should be completed within 90 days for general projects or 6 months for public art projects from receipt of funds. Should you require additional time you may contact kphipps@townoflaplata.org to request an extension.

******Proof of completion and matching of funds is required.

You could be awarded up to a 50% funding match of the total cost, based on available funds.

Please reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns about the process, need help finalizing a design or getting help finding an artist etc. We would be happy to help you