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Call-to-Mural-Artists: Southeast Connecticut's Sister Mural Project

OCT 12, 2021 – NEW LONDON, CT: Public Art for Racial Justice Education (PARJE) and CT Murals have officially announced a Call-to-Mural-Artists for their Sister Mural Project. The public art team is looking for professional muralists and emerging artists to apply to paint one of the Sister Murals in New London, Old Lyme, or East Lyme. Each mural will have a lead mural artist and support from emerging artists and the community. It is an expectation of the lead muralist to engage the community in a meaningful way during the painting process.

Lead muralists must have completed at least 3 professional, large-scale murals and priority will be given to artists of color from the community each mural is painted. Artists will be competitively compensated up to \$7,500 depending on experience and size of mural. An additional budget is also included for materials and supplies.

Artists interested in applying should complete our simple application at https://www.racialjusticeart.org/.

About Sister Mural Project

Public Art for Racial Justice Education (PARJE) and CT Murals will partner up to install four murals in four towns; New London, Old Lyme, Norwich, and East Lyme. This will be as part of the Sister Murals Project whereby skilled and unskilled artists from different communities, races, ethnicities, and generations will work together under master BIPOC artists. The murals they create will bring lesser told stories to life while remembering cherished values in their respective communities.

Since its official launch, Public Art for Racial Justice Education (PARJE) has gained support from all around southeastern Connecticut. This includes colleges and museums, municipalities, art galleries, civic organizations, churches, and various businesses throughout the region.

CT Murals has been dedicated to creating inclusive public art since 2015. The group utilizes grants as well as community support and donations to create all of its public art. Currently, CT Murals has completed over 50 public art projects throughout Connecticut and is currently working to install its 39 MLK Murals across the state. Visit www.ctmurals.com for more info.

Public Art for Racial Justice Education, along with their financial sponsor, The Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut, will work with CT Murals to involve the community in a variety of ways. PARJE believes there is an opportunity to involve the community in all aspects of mural installation. Be it discussing the mural themes in person or on a virtual call, or students assisting the artist with installation, there are several ways to involve the community.

If you have questions about the Call-to-Artists please direct questions to Matt Conway at matt.conway@theriseupgroup.org.

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