



Protecting Our Rivers.

Call for Artists

The Mesa County Storm Drain Art Project is a public-private art initiative meant to raise awareness at storm drain inlets. Local artists are invited to submit designs that will be reviewed and selected by our MS4 TAC Committee. The size of the storm drain inlets varies at each location and will have different dimensions and restrictions.

Surfaces will be concrete sidewalk, drain lid, curb and gutter. The Committee will consider the following when making final selections: Artistic excellence, Technical competence, Scale, Form and Content, and Appropriate Relationship to the function of the site.

Accepted media will be waterborne traffic paint, which will be provided. Supplies including brushes, rollers and paint applicators will be provided by Mesa County.

No additional art supplies will be reimbursed. For their selected design, each design will be compensated with a \$100 commission when installation and sealing is complete.

Concept Requirements

Designs must include one or more of the following concepts:

- Stormwater pollution prevention (litter, yard waste, grass clippings, leaves, cigarette butts, vehicle fluids, pet waste, motor oil, soapy water, etc.)
- Aquatics, wildlife, riparian habitat, including native species (amphibians, fish/trout, or native species to Colorado such as magpies, great blue herons, ducks, songbirds, raptors, cottonwoods, willows, grasses etc.)
- Quality of life (clean water for recreation, drinking, natural beauty, agriculture, watershed protection, etc.)

Design Criteria

Designs must also adhere to the following criteria.

- Some **changes to chosen designs may be required, to accommodate the specific location.** Artists are encouraged to visit the drain inlet in person to get a feel for the actual size and sun factors.

- Each Storm Drain is the property of the City of Grand Junction, City of Fruita, Town of Palisade, or Mesa County, so each artist must release artwork to the Mesa County by a signed agreement.
- Designs must be painted on the area surrounding the drain and must run to or incorporate the drain. Most art areas are square or rectangular, but designs do not necessarily have to be within a straight frame.
- Artwork must be confined to the storm drain surface and vertical face of the curb and must not extend into the bottom mouth of the inlet, or on the road.
- Artwork must not depict the storm drain opening as a mouth. This has been found to encourage the dumping of trash into storm drains (we do not want to feed the inlets).
- Designs may not contain any business promotions or advertisements, nor include any breach of intellectual property, brands or trademarks, or depictions of illegal activity.
- Designs must be public friendly, and legible if messaging is incorporated.
- The final painting must match the proposed design.
- The artist further grants Mesa County Stormwater Division the following exclusive rights:
 - Reproduction (including electronic images) for promotion and educational purposes.
 - The right to remove the artwork (or sections of the artwork) from the site for any reason.

Application Period

Art submissions are accepted Monday - Friday, 8am-4pm.

Applicants are asked to submit 1-2 images of proposed artwork and a brief statement of interest (300 words max). Proposed images may be sketches or digital renderings. They should properly demonstrate the type and style of artwork in relation to the designated inlet.

Submitting images and statement

By email: Joshua.martinez@mesacounty.us

Mail: Address to: Mesa County, C/O Joshua Martinez, 200 S Spruce St Dept. 5013, Grand Junction, CO 81502

Drop Off: 200 S Spruce St, Grand Junction, CO 81501 Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Submissions will be accepted until June 15, 2024

Location 1: Downtown Fruita (N Park Sq & E Aspen Ave)



Circle Park
101 N PARK SQ
2697-172-26-001

161 N PARK SQUARE
2697-172-13-020

165 N PARK SQUARE
2697-172-13-019

127 E ASPEN AVE
2697-172-13-013

106 N MULBERRY ST
2697-172-12-026

E Aspen Ave

E Aspen Ave

122 E ASPEN AVE
2697-172-22-002

128 E ASPEN AVE
2697-172-22-001

130 E ASPEN AVE
2697-172-22-020

136 E ASPEN AVE
2697-172-22-019

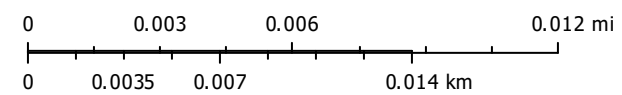
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202 E ASPEN AVE
2697-172-23-006

158 S PARK SQ
2697-172-22-024

S Park Sq

Legend
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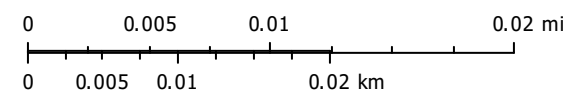


Location 2: Downtown Palisade (W Second St & Kluge Ave)

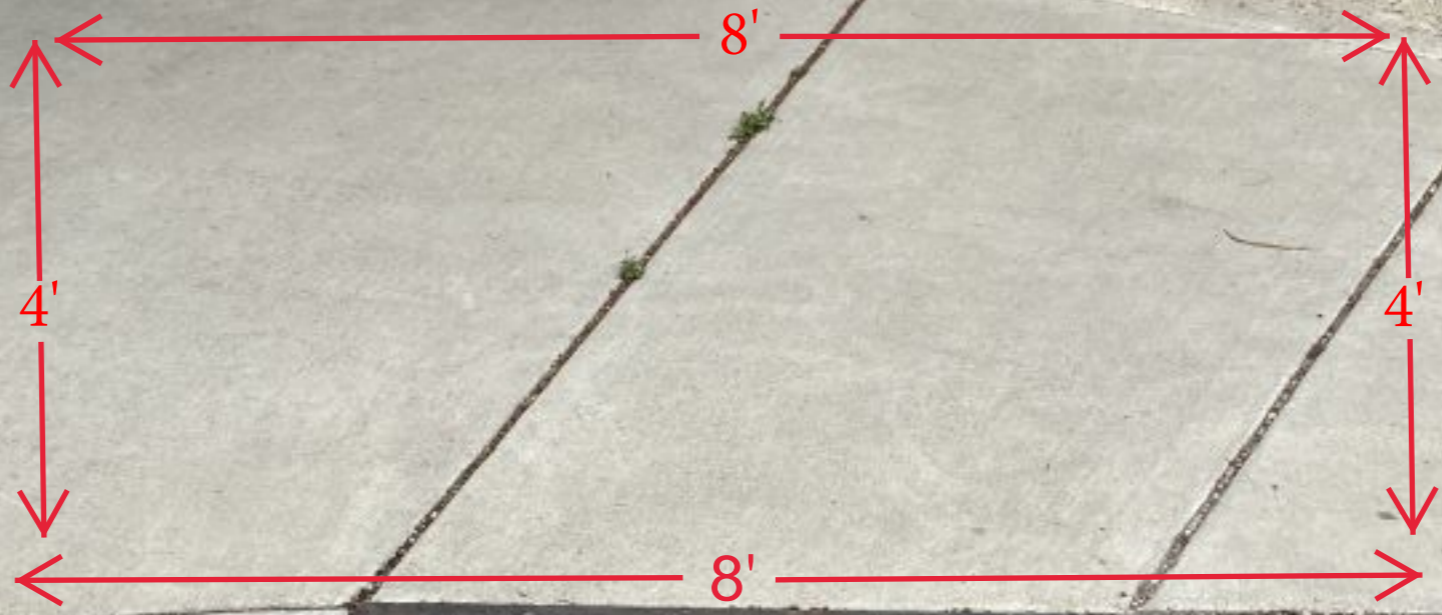


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Location 2: Downtown Palisade
(W Second St & Kluge Ave)



Location 3: Grand Junction Library (Grand Ave & N 6th St)

N 5th St

N 6th St

Mesa County
Central
Library
443 N 6TH ST
2945-142-56-001

440 N 6TH ST
2945-142-42-001

611 OURAY AVE
2945-142-42-002

621 OURAY AVE
2945-142-42-003

629 OURAY AVE
2945-142-42-004

604 GRAND AVE
2945-142-42-011

608 GRAND AVE
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616 GRAND AVE
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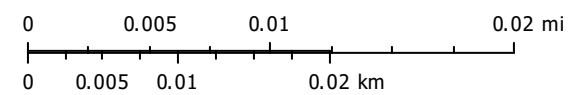
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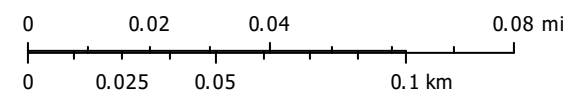


Location 4: Clifton Library (3270 D 1/2 RD)



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