

PRESS RELEASE Calling all professional muralists! Mural-A-Month project ready for artists!

Can you take a blank slate and turn it into something amazing? Do you have a vision of art in the midst of a busy city?

The NexGen Arts Committee is looking for a few professional muralists for our Mural-A-Month project.

We're putting a mural a month on buildings throughout Yuma, changing boring building exteriors to creative canvases for the entire community.

Public art has the power to transform a community. It's a positive way to impact a neighborhood, providing a work of beauty for all to enjoy. Public art sparks conversation, builds community respect, and creates a welcoming environment.

The NexGen Arts Committee was formed in 2017 to enhance arts engagement in Yuma. With the Mural-A-Month project, the committee will commission 12 site-specific murals throughout Yuma – one a month for 2018. Through public art, we strive to create a deepened sense of community pride for Yumans, while at the same time attracting visitors to invest in our community.

We are ready to make this a reality in Yuma – but first, we need your help! To apply please see the call to artists at <u>http://www.ArtinYuma.com</u>, or send in your information and examples of your work to <u>murals@artinyuma.com</u>.

Are you a property owner with a building in a high traffic area that you'd love a mural on? Let us know!

Mural-A-Month is supported by the Arizona Community Foundation and the City of Yuma. To learn more about NexGen, Yuma's young professionals organization, visit <u>www.NexGenYuma.com</u>.