

10th Street Emerging Cultural District

Culture Safety Traffic Land Use

<https://www.littleflowerindy.org/10th-street-cultural-district>

Call for Artist

Project Title: Outdoor Piece (Mural or Sculpture)

Project Budget: \$8,000 maximum, to include design, fabrication, and installation.

Deadline for Applications: September 20, 2026

Installation Deadline: December 26, 2026 (Funding expires after 2026.)

Project Information:

The 10th Street Emerging Cultural District steering committee is seeking an artist to complete a mural along the project corridor, East 10th Street spanning from Sherman to Leland Streets. This grant-funded initiative aims to commission a public art along the corridor that celebrates our community and adds to a sense of place.

These themes came up frequently as community feedback and are offered as inspiration, not requirements:

- The historic Emerson Theater as a neighborhood cultural anchor, past and present
- The Emerson Theater as an entertainment hub
- Diversity, belonging, and the evolving cultural mix of the corridor
- Working-class grit and resilience
- The area's history as a streetcar and transit suburb
- A warm, eclectic, down-to-earth aesthetic—not corporate or polished

Project Parameters:

- Location: Near the Emerson Theatre, East 10th Street (exact site finalized with selected artist)
- Materials: Durable, low-maintenance, suitable for a busy urban corridor
- Scale: Visible and impactful from the street
- Priority: Artists from the Near Eastside or with a community-engaged process are strongly preferred

Application Process:

- **Applicant Information:** Name of artist, name(s) of any partner(s), contact address, contact email, contact phone #, social media handles/info
- **Professional Bio, Resume or CV:** No longer than 2 pages
- **Work Samples:** Provide up to 5 images of past work that best represent your experience, style, and ability as it relates to this project.
- **Brief statement** of interest and any early thinking on the theme.

Upload application materials to littleflowerneighborhood@gmail.com by September 20, 2026.

Questions concerning this Call for Artist can be submitted to Attn: Cultural District Steering Committee littleflowerneighborhood@gmail.com.

