



Working to protect the Mississippi River
and its watershed in the Twin Cities area.

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Storm Drain Mural Project

FMR is looking to identify and hire a local artist or artist group to co-facilitate a community workshop, to generate a mural sketch and to install the mural on pavement surrounding the designated location

FMR and the City of St. Paul's Public Works Department partner to conduct mural projects near storm drains within the city and have successfully installed murals in the past 2 years at Como Lake. FMR, City of St. Paul and Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District (RWMWD) seek to engage youth and community members in the process and are prepared to provide the required paint, materials and safety equipment for the project.

The likely location is along a bike path near Lake Phalen close to the pavilion where "Waterfest" is held each year. The City of St. Paul Parks and Recreation will determine the mural size, as well as provide final approval of the design, color palette, and location prior to installation.

The role of each entity is as follows:

Friends of the Mississippi River (FMR)

- Provide funding for the artist's time
- Provide space, outreach, and food for the workshop, as well as an educational introduction about storm water and how to prevent urban runoff pollution
- Work with artist, ensure city requirements are met and purchase and store paint and materials
- Provide educational materials and answer questions during installation
- Work with St. Paul and RWMWD on promotion of the project and recruiting neighborhood participants

Artist

- Facilitate and engage community members in the idea generation portion of workshop
- Translate themes provided by public into a mural design
- Provide a scaled, detailed sketch plus color palette for approval by St. Paul Parks and Recreation
- Install mural at Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District Waterfest taking place on June 1st (weather depending), potentially starting the mural outline on May 31st with the help of a small group of students and community members

City of St. Paul

- Review final mural design and color palette
- After 1 year the City has the choice to remove the mural by painting over it or may leave it in place for the life span of the paint (estimated 3-5 years)

To indicate your interest please contact FMR Volunteer Coordinator Amy Kilgore (akilgore@fmr.org) or FMR Youth Coordinator Kate Clayton (kclayton@fmr.org) providing an outline of your past experience working with community groups, three photos or links to examples of your work, and your proposed budget for the project. Artist must be available on May 31st 2019 and June 1st 2019 for installation.