

# **PAINT IN THE PLAZA**

## **2026 CALL FOR LIVE PAINTING**

### **Project Objective**

As part of the Downtown Seattle Association/Municipal Improvement District's ongoing effort to enliven and activate public spaces, we are partnering with the city to activate the new plaza at 1st + Pike. In addition to other weekly activities, we are looking to partner with 10 local artists to live paint.

Over the course of May-July 2026, each artist will be provided a canvas on site to paint during a two-hour session. We will work with selected applicants to assign one of the weekly sessions that works with their availability. At the end of the program, we will host an event during the Downtown Art Walk to showcase all of the works generated in the plaza.

This call is open and intended for paint media, but we will consider other proposals that meet the program intent.

### **Timeline**

April 6 - Call released

April 13 - Call closes

April 17 - Selection notices to applicants

May 6 - July 15 - One artist per painting session every Wednesday 11a-1p

July - Closing showcase

### **Payment + Materials**

- Each artist will receive a \$300 fee, invoiced at the time of contract signing
- A 24"x36" canvas and easel will be provided on-site, unless a self provided canvas is preferred
- All painting supplies will need to be brought to site by the artist
- A tent will be provided in case of weather
- Artists may either retain the canvas following their session and arrange to provide it for the July event, or DSA can store the canvas in the interim
- Artists will hold all ownership/rights to the work generated and the finished work

### **Call Submittal**

If you're interested, please submit the following information in a single document:

1. Short personal bio (1-3 sentences)
2. Description of design intent (any information you think would be helpful to convey how you'd approach the program, design/style inclinations, intended media for painting)
3. Link to website/Instagram with prior work and/or up to 2 image files

### **Contact**

For submittals or any questions, please email:  
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# Location Map

