

**District of Invermere Mural Grant Program Administered by the Columbia Valley Chamber of
Commerce.
2023 Program Rules and Guidelines.**

All Mural Grants are subject to the following Program Rules and Guidelines, hereinafter referred to as “Program Rules.”

1. Applicant Eligibility. Mural Grant applicants must be the property owner of the proposed mural site or have written consent from the property owner. If there are multiple property owners or artists, then all property owners and artists must sign the Application Form. Societies or other groups interested in applying, must also have written permission from the building owner. District of Invermere staff and elected officials are not eligible for Mural Grants.

2. Property Eligibility. Mural Grants are limited to the outside walls of buildings that are visible from a public place and that are located within the town limits of the DOI. Single-family residences, duplexes, and religious institutions are not eligible properties for Mural Grants. Properties owned or leased by DOI staff or elected officials are not eligible properties for Mural Grants. The DOI/Chamber will decline to fund any application it believes violates any deed covenants or property use restrictions.

3. Location Eligibility. Proposed murals must be installed on buildings located inside the town limits of the DOI.

4. Content Eligibility. The purpose of the Mural Grant Program is to encourage public art in the community without offending citizens or visitors, in accordance with prevailing community standards. The DOI/Chamber reserves the right to decline to award a Mural Grant for a mural that: a. is obscene, indecent, immoral, libelous, profane, defamatory, or illegal; b. ridicules individuals or groups of people; c. tends to incite violent, criminal, or anti-social behavior, including but not limited to epithets based upon race, color, creed, religion, or gender; d. is political in nature; e. promotes a service or product as a dominant theme; f. is likely to create a safety hazard by distracting drivers or pedestrians. Mural Grants are for original art only. Proposed restorations of old or existing murals are not eligible.

5. Artist Eligibility. Property owners must select their own artists who can demonstrate that they have the ability to install original, large-scale pieces of public art. Artists warrant that their proposed murals are original and do not violate any intellectual property laws or the rights of any third parties.

7. Reimbursement. Mural Grants require a match of at least 25% of the total project cost and may receive reimbursement for up to \$5,000. Mural Grants will be paid after the Town/Chamber determines that the Mural is completed in compliance with the Program Rules. Requests for reimbursement must include invoices and cancelled checks showing vendors have been paid, lien waivers, and a digital photograph of the completed mural.

8. Maintenance/Clawback. Applicants must maintain completed murals for five years from the date of completion of the mural. If, at any time within the maintenance period any Applicant violates any of the Program Rules, then all Mural Grant Funds paid to the Applicant for the mural may be forfeited.

9. Amendment. Applicants must notify the DOI/Chamber in writing if there are any changes in the plans submitted with the original application. The Mural Committee reserves the right to re-consider the Application based on the changes to the original plan.

10. Laws. Applicant will at all times observe and comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, and regulations of the Provincial federal, and local governments which are in effect from the date of the Application through the maintenance period.

11. Successors and Assigns. Applicants hereby bind themselves, their successors, their legal representatives, and their assigns to the DOI/Chamber and to its successors, legal representatives, and assigns in respect to all covenants of these Program Rules.

12. Non-Appropriation. All Mural Grants are subject to Town Council appropriation and availability of budget funds. The DOI/Chamber reserves the right to cancel the Mural Grant Program without prior notice.

13. Relationship of the Parties. These Program Rules do not create a partnership or joint venture between or among the parties. The DOI/Chamber serve only as a financing source and does not exercise control over the Applicants or the mural job sites. Applicants are not employees of the DOI/Chamber. Applicants are responsible for any injuries or damages sustained at their mural jobsite; the DOI/Chamber is not responsible for the acts or omissions of any Applicant or any other third party.

I hereby acknowledge I have read, understand, and agree to follow the Invermere Mural Program Rules and Guidelines.

Applicant Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Required if the applicant is not the property owner

Property Owner Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

(Attach additional signature pages if needed for additional Property Owners or Artists.)