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Partnership Art Launches Second *Call for Artists* for Creative Placemaking Efforts in Southern MN

Southwest MN Housing Partnership seeks creative collaborators to engage art and culture with community development efforts

January 10, 2017 (Slayton) The Southwest MN Housing Partnership (SWMHP) is seeking creative collaborators from a broad range of artistic disciplines, including but not limited to: visual arts, performing arts, public arts, literary arts, media arts, interdisciplinary and/or multidisciplinary arts to be part of the Partnership Art Artist Roster. Artists will have an opportunity to collaborate with SWMHP and their community partners on projects in the region; focusing on community engagement, with emphasis on such areas as affordable housing, downtown redevelopment, public safety, health and wellness, and arts and cultural development.

SWMHP is a non-profit community development corporation serving thirty counties in Southwest and South Central Minnesota. SWMHP aims to build strong and healthy places to live so that the communities of our region thrive. Learn more about SWMHP by visiting www.swmhp.org.

Partnership Art, an initiative of SWMHP, is funded by ArtPlace America. In September 2015, SWMHP was the recipient of a three year award from ArtPlace America's Community Development Investments (CDI) program to assist in incorporating arts and cultural strategies into our ongoing work with communities in the region. The focus of the Partnership Art is to engage arts and culture in a creative collaboration to strengthen the future of rural communities. Learn more about Partnership Art by visiting www.partnershipart.com.

Projects will take place in the communities of St. James, Milan and Worthington, MN through August of 2018. For more information on projects for which we are currently seeking artists, please visit the Partnership Art [Community Project website](#). This site will be updated as additional projects emerge, so please check back frequently. *Unless otherwise noted, all artists selected to participate in a project must be part of the **Partnership Art Artist Roster**.* For information on how to submit a proposal to be considered for the Partnership Art Artist Roster; visit the [Partnership Art Call for Artists website](#).

This is an OPEN application and Roster proposals may be submitted at any time for consideration. Please keep in mind, if you are interested in applying as a project artist in conjunction with a spot on the Artist Roster, that all materials (Roster application and Project application) are submitted by the deadline identified within the specific project RFP.

For any other questions on this initiative please contact Chelsea Alger, Southwest MN Housing Partnership 507-836-1622 or email ChelseaA@swmhp.org.