

# **Request for Proposals: Public Art Mural Project Neil Armstrong Airport New Terminal Building**

**Title:** Design (or Design and Install) a Mural Commemorating Neil A. Armstrong

**Submission Dates:** 3/1/2021 through 4/2/2021

**Open to Artists:** Nationally

**Location:** New Knoxville, Ohio USA

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**Mission:** The vision of the New Terminal Building Mural Committee is to enhance the historic connection between Neil A. Armstrong and Auglaize County, while incorporating Armstrong's passion for aviation and space flight.

**Artist Eligibility:** Any artist(s) or studio interested in creating a two-dimensional mural, to be completed by October 31, 2021, may submit a proposal in accordance with the guidelines provided below.

**Goals:** With artistic interpretation encouraged, the Mural should include the following:

- key points of Neil Armstrong's career, incorporating Neil Armstrong's history with a timeline of the Neil Armstrong Airport and Auglaize County;
- engagement with the local artist community through educational programming organized by the New Terminal Building Mural Committee, including, but not limited to, volunteer participation, meet the artist opportunities, workshops, and demonstrations.

**Artistic Discretion:**

- The mural may consist of paint, vinyl, or fabric media.
- The design may incorporate the use of additional lighting options.

**Location:** The anticipated mural will be completed inside the New Terminal Building at the Neil Armstrong Airport, in New Knoxville, Ohio. The area is a wall space within the main entry room of the New Terminal Building. The location for the mural has structural building components and video cameras protruding from the surface. The available mural area to be used is roughly 51 feet wide by 13 feet high. Additional depiction will be included in the application packet (wire frame CAD drawing showing dimensions and a picture of the existing space).

**Application Requirements:**

- A narrative and design illustrating the concept is required for each submission. Include supplemental information such as medium, timeline for completion, and approximate dimensions of the proposed mural.

- All components must be in digital format. For submission renderings (which may be completed with digital media or by hand and scanned), to be sent to [tbergstrom@neilarmstrongairport.com](mailto:tbergstrom@neilarmstrongairport.com).
- No submission fee is required.
- The project budget (required) will not exceed \$25,000 for an artist or team of collaborative artists. The budget should include the artistic fee, supplies, installation, and other associated costs.
- Expenses related to non-local travel will be negotiated separately.
- Supporting materials, including images and reviews of previously completed works must be submitted. Examples should describe the size, materials, cost, and location of other public works. References for earlier projects are encouraged.
- The submission deadline is April 2, 2021.
- This project is funded by the New Bremen Foundation.

The artist(s) or studio selected must also understand the build requirements of working with a large, interior, drywall-backed surface, with possible climate changes and light variations. The New Terminal Building Mural Committee reserves the right to reject all submissions. If selected, the artist(s) will work closely with the New Terminal Building Mural Committee to

- ensure a quality installation;
- coordinate placement and scheduling of the installation with Airport staff;
- develop accurate data and pictorial references; and
- document that all Neil Armstrong likeness usage rights are met.

Should the submitting artist require assistance with installing his/her work, the artist must coordinate with the New Terminal Building Mural Committee and with an installer selected at the sole discretion of the Auglaize County Commissioners.

**Policies:** Artists will retain the ownership of design ideas submitted with this application until a selection has been made and contract signed between the artist and the Auglaize County Commissioners, however, the artist understands that such submission may be subject to disclosure under the Ohio Sunshine Law, Freedom of Information Act, or similar law. At the time a contract is awarded, the ownership of the design and the artwork produced, in this case the public art mural project, will become the property of the Auglaize County Commissioners.

Proposals will be reviewed by the New Terminal Building Mural Committee, with the final selections being made by the Auglaize County Commissioners.

Financial compensation and insurance for completion of the mural will be made in accordance with the agreed upon contract between the artist(s), or studio, and the Auglaize County Commissioners. A suitable Artist Maintenance Plan must be submitted.

**Site Specifications:** The mural may be completed and installed directly to the western wall within the main entry room of the New Terminal Building, New Knoxville, Ohio.

**Warranty, Loss, or Damages:** The artist(s) or studio warrants that the work is and will be the original product of his/her own creative efforts and does not infringe on any third party's copyrights or other intellectual property rights. The artist(s) or studio warrants for a period of five (5) years from the date of acceptance by the Auglaize County Commissioners of the work that the work shall be free from defects in material and workmanship. The artist(s) or studio shall repair or replace at Auglaize County

**Commissioners' discretion, and at no additional cost to the Auglaize County Commissioners, any portion of the work that is found to be defective during the warranty period. The Auglaize County Commissioners agree to notify the artist(s) or studio of any such defect immediately upon discovery. Confirmation of notice shall be made in writing. The artist(s) or studio shall assume all risk of loss or damage to the work prior to completion and installation. The Auglaize County Commissioners shall assume all risk of loss or damage to the work after acceptance of the work provided such loss or damage is not the fault of the artist(s) or studio.**

In the event of physical loss or damage to the work prior to completion and installation, the artist(s) or studio shall rectify the loss or damage by repair, restoration, replacement or other appropriate means as soon as possible at no additional cost to the Auglaize County Commissioners.

**Repair:** With respect to any repair or restoration of the work not covered by the warranty, the artist(s) or studio shall be consulted if possible if the need for repair or restoration arises. The nature of the repair shall not significantly alter the original appearance of the work.

**Maintenance:** With directions provided by the artist, the Auglaize County Commissioners shall be responsible for the cleaning, maintenance, and protection of the work after installation.

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## New Terminal Building Mural Application

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

A complete application must include the following:

- Artist application form
- Project description
- Images of previous work
- A color representation of the proposed mural
- Itemized budget, including time and materials
- Maintenance Plan (Indicate recommended routine surface inspections, surface cleaning, or additional coats of protective paint.)

As an applicant for the opportunity to complete this public art project for the Auglaize County Commissioners, I certify that all works submitted represented as my work are the product of my creation and no other. I further certify that all statements made in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that the New Terminal Building Mural Committee and the Auglaize County Commissioners may duplicate my images and application materials for the purpose of the consideration of my application, possible exhibition, and for promotional materials concerning the project.

I understand that the New Terminal Building Mural Committee and the Auglaize County Commissioners are not liable for any loss or damage to my submitted application or images.

Applicant signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Send any questions and/or the completed application to Ted Bergstrom,  
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