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Benicia Arts and Culture Commission Announces a Call for Artists

Benicia, CA (November 21, 2018) - Benicia's downtown benches need a facelift. In an effort to build on Benicia's popular and successful traffic signal box art initiative and to help beautify Benicia, the City's Arts and Culture Commission (ACC) is announcing two new calls for artists.

The ACC is expanding the public art initiative to include the City's benches. There are 14 benches available to artists to transform into works of art, including benches on First Street, in front of the Library, and in front of City Hall.

The second opportunity available to artists is an expansion of the popular traffic signal box art initiative. Two additional traffic signal boxes are now available to artists to create something unique.

"These projects are great opportunities to have your work viewed by the entire town, and by visitors to the area," said David Dodd, Director of Library and Cultural Services for the City of Benicia. He added, "It's a great project in which student artists, art groups or guilds, or individual artists can engage with the community in a very tangible way."

It is free to apply, and artists may submit individually or as a group. Each project requires a separate application. The deadline to apply for both of these projects is December 17, 2018. Selected artists will receive an honorarium, and the ACC will also pay for supplies. Applications are being accepted now, through December 17. Details and applications are online at the Library's website under "Arts & Culture Commission Documents" at <https://goo.gl/uUafS7>.

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