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Call to Artists: Transforming Trashcans into Mosaic Masterpieces!

Ventura, Calif. – The City of Ventura invites professional artists and artist organizations to participate in a new public art project transforming ordinary trashcans into mosaic masterpieces. Applications are open now through Friday, October 27, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

This project, funded by the Pierpont Community Council, aims to create visually pleasing designs on four city-owned cement trashcans, located in Pierpont, that seamlessly complement Pierpont's iconic monument sign, which was unveiled in 2022.



"Many communities have public art programs that transform trash receptacles into functional art that supports creative placemaking," said Recreation Manager Emily Fox. "We are excited to bring this artistic initiative to Ventura and continue to beautify everyday surfaces with the help of our talented arts community."

Applicants must submit at least four distinct design renderings. Two of the design renderings must incorporate the City emblem that's affixed on several trashcans throughout Ventura.

A budget of \$2,500 for each chosen trashcan (up to \$10,000) has been allocated for this project. This sum is a package deal, expected to cover every facet of the artistic process – from conception and crafting to unveiling.

Learn more about this project and apply at www.cityofventura.ca.gov/PublicArt.

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