

Manteca Mural Society

Public Art for a Better Community

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The Manteca Mural Society is hosting the Fourth Bi-Annual California Public Art and Mural Symposium, October 18th through the 21st, 2007. With our central location and easy access to other areas, we expect to have very good attendance for our symposium. In the past, attendees have included public officials, representatives of public arts commissions and non-profits who represent many mural communities and individuals who have a passion for public art. For more information, please go to MantecaMurals.org.

One of our areas of emphasis will be on live public art demonstrations. We have found that you get more support from the attendees if they have the opportunity to get involved in some way. This can be through participation, or in this case, through observation of your actual work of art in progress.

We will have a mural showdown/competition on a 5' by 8' format. We provide the selected artists with a piece of non-woven polyester fiber for their work so that most of the mural can be painted ahead of time. The Artists Showdown is a great opportunity to show your work and style to the symposium attendees, but it is also important that you have time to meet and interact with the people at the symposium who would be able to get a commission for you. Because of the amount of time it requires to do a work of art, we felt that it would work for the artists as well as us, to allow you to work on the piece before you arrive here, but we recommend that you leave some highlighted work to be completed in front of the public. We will provide an "easel" for each of you that will be set up so you can install your work here. You are welcome to set up any of your promotional material on site.

As a selected participant in the Showdown, you would receive \$400 (detailed on the next page) and you would have full registration for the Symposium, meals and all events. You will also have an opportunity to do a PowerPoint or slide show presentation of your work and introduce yourself to the symposium attendees. In addition, you would be entitled to a complimentary booth space, you just have to let us know in advance so that we can plan for the space. Lastly, prize money will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (209) 825-4700 or (209) 483-8187.

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