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**Call for Artists: Public Art Design Opportunity in Gwinnett’s Downtown**

The [Hudgens Center for Art and Learning](https://www.thehudgens.org/), in partnership with the [Gas South District](https://www.gassouthdistrict.com/) and [Sugarloaf Community Improvement District](https://www.sugarloafcid.org/), is looking for original proposals from artists to design two decorative crosswalks that will welcome visitors to the area, enhance the sense of pride in the community, and increase multimodal connectivity in the area for pedestrians, cyclists, and transit riders. The compensation for the artist with the selected design is $5,000.

The Call for Artists is for the design element only; professional contractors will conduct the installation later this spring. Any professional artist living in Georgia -- including new and emerging artists -- may submit a design. The submission deadline is March 1, 2025, with an anticipated decision on the selected design in mid-March

“This is a wonderful opportunity for an artist to make a positive impact to the community through their art,” said Laura Ballance, Executive Director of The Hudgens. “Their designs will be seen and enjoyed by countless people every day in Gwinnett’s Downtown.”

The first crosswalk extends across Satellite Boulevard at the intersection of Gas South District’s southern entrance. The second crosswalk extends across the southern entrance of Gas South District. To further enhance connectivity, the Gwinnett County Department of Transportation will relocate a bus stop to align with these crosswalks, and the crosswalks will connect to future portions of the Gwinnett Loop Trail.

Specific design requirements can be found on the application form. [Click here for the application form.](https://hudgens.slideroom.com/#/login/program/82673) The application fee is $5.

**About the Partners**

The Hudgens Center for Art and Learning is a 501(c)3 organization on the Gas South District campus dedicated to showcasing beautiful artwork in its multiple galleries, expanding access to the arts through education and classes, and celebrating accomplished artists through the esteemed Hudgens Prize.

The Gas South District is the premier entertainment destination in Gwinnett, with a large theater, a 13-000-seat arena that hosts concerts and sports events, and a spacious convention center with 90,000 square feet of convention space and a 21,000 square foot ballroom connected to the luxurious Westin Atlanta Gwinnett hotel.

Sugarloaf Community Improvement District is a defined area in the unincorporated area of Gwinnett made up of commercial properties that pay an additional tax to fund improvements in the public right-of-way, with the goal of creating a connected, safe, and attractive community for all.

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