

Art Commission Review – Submittal Form

(Applicant complete below section)

Project Name: Breaking Bread Breaking Barriers

Project Address: Capitolo Park, Greater Olney Library, Northeast Regional Library **On Public Property?** ☒ Yes ☐ No

Total Budget: \$36,000 **Utilizing City Funds?** ☐ Yes (specify amount): _____ ☒ No

Project Type (check all that apply):

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| ☐ Building – New Construction or Addition | ☐ Encroachment in/over ROW |
| ☐ Building – Renovation or Repair | ☐ Signage (Reconsideration) |
| ☐ Plaza/Park/Playground | ☐ Streetery (Reconsideration) |
| ☒ Public Art | ☐ Other: _____ |

Project Team:

Agency/Org.: Mural Arts Philadelphia Design Lead (firm): Mural Arts Philadelphia

Other: Welcoming Center

Primary Contact for Project Communications:

Name: Lili Razi

Affiliation: Project Manager

Email: [REDACTED]

(Art Commission staff complete below section)

Art Commission Meeting Date of Project Review: 9/9/26

Level of Review:

- ☐ Concept Review ☒ Final Review If Final, specify date of preceding Concept Review: _____
- ☐ Administrative Review (for projects with minimal visual impact on public realm)

Staff Notes (Optional):

First commission review date, appearing for final review. Project includes murals at multiple sites. Current review is for murals at Capitolo Park and Greater Olney Library. Proposed mural at Northeast Regional Library to be reviewed separately by Art Commission at future date.

Breaking Bread Breaking Barriers Murals



 Mural Arts
Philadelphia

Project overview

Breaking Bread, Breaking Barriers (BBBB) is a citywide civic engagement and public art initiative led by Welcoming Center as part of Philadelphia's semiquincentennial programming. The project uses shared meals as a platform for meaningful conversation across cultural, racial, generational, and neighborhood differences, inviting residents to reflect on their shared food cultures and traditions, and what it means to be a neighbor and an active participant in civic life.

Meet the Muralists



Manuela Guillén

Capitolo Park



**Samuel
Rodríguez**

Greater Olney Library

Capitolo Park

Outreach Partners:

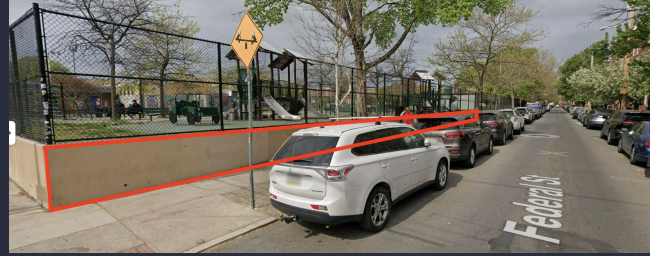
South:

- Puentes De Salud
- Gapura (Indonesian)
- Residents United in Advocacy and Direction
- South Philly Action Coalition
- Capitolo Friends Group / the Registered Community Organization **September 1**

Southeast:

- Philadelphia Praise Center (PAX Center)
- Mummer's Museum (representing divisions)
- SEAMAAC
- Snyder Ave. Congregational Church (SACC)
- Laos in the House

Capitolo Park



Size, location and material:

- Federal St: 124' L x 2'5" H

- S. 9th St: 52'6" L x 3'11" H

Materials: Parachute Cloth

Capitolo Park



Design Concept:

Representing the different cultures and cuisines of South and Southeast Philadelphia, with a focus on a shared sense of belonging and togetherness through food.

Greater Olney Library

Outreach Partners:

- St. Paul's Church
- Indochinese American Council
- Olney Culture Lab
- Korean Community Development Services Center
- Lao Temple of North Philadelphia
- Greater Olney Library

Greater Olney Library



Materials: ACM panels with Parachute Cloth

Size: 7'1' H × 12' W

Greater Olney Library



Design Concept:

At the center of the mural is a tree, representing growth, connection, and the roots of society. Through the roots, we see different scenes of people working, helping one another, sharing a community dinner, planting, dancing, playing, having conversations, and building relationships through everyday acts of care. These images reflect the many steps we can take to better our society: being in community, being friendly, practicing friendly competition, working collectively, and taking responsibility for our well being and one another. Since this mural will live on a historic library building with beautiful architecture, the artwork is designed to feel like it belongs there. Many of the patterns are inspired by architectural forms, allowing the mural to become part of the building and part of the community.

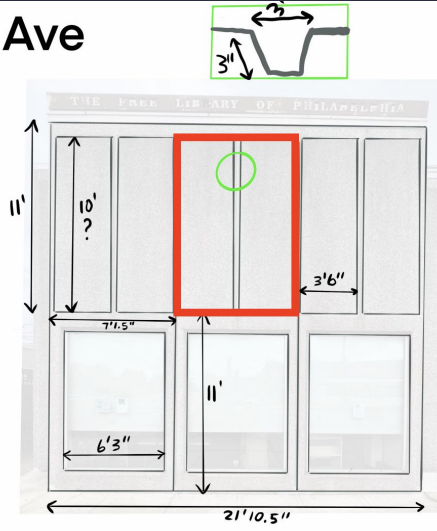
Northeast Regional Library

Outreach Partners:

- Nationalities Services Center (NSC) - Afghan, Syrian, Ukrainian participants
- Catholic Charities of PHL
- Feast of Justice
- Northeast Philadelphia Chinese Association
- PA Migrant Education Program
- IHM Literacy Project
- Boy Scouts Troop 100
- Northeast Regional Library

Greater Olney Library

2228 Cottman Ave



Materials: ACM panels with Parachute Cloth

Size: 11' H × 7' 1.5" W

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Northeast Regional Library