In partnership with the City of Stevens Point, and sponsored by Sherwin-Williams, CREATE is challenging teams to transform downtown trash cans into public art. This project is designed to elevate the unique sense of place in Stevens Point, to highlight our creative identity, to showcase local artistic talent, to add vibrancy to the City core, and to foster community connection through a shared experience.

**PARTICIPATION**

Individual artists and/or teams of any size are encouraged to participate; however, we strongly encourage community organizations, neighborhoods, friend groups, and other teams to participate in this challenge together to maximize the community-building goals of this project.

**FEES & GUIDELINES**

There is a $25 materials fee for selected participants that will be paid when artists pick up their materials. Art submitted must be appropriate for all ages and public spaces. It cannot include any obscene images, nudity, strong language, or political messages. Artists must also own the rights to all images and designs used. Please avoid any copyright infringements.

**SELECTION**

A selection committee will review designs and assign locations based on adherence to guidelines, availability of surfaces, and capacity to meet the goals of the project. There is no guarantee of participation. Finalized artwork will be displayed for a period of 1 year until the following year’s event.
**TIMELINE**

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**Painting Day**: Painting for all teams and individuals will take place the second weekend of May. Teams will be expected to complete their projects during designated hours: Friday 4PM-7PM, Saturday 9AM-7PM, and Sunday 9AM-7PM.

**Materials**: CREATE and the City will prep surfaces with a coat of primer and provide tarps to prevent damage to sidewalks. The City will set up a paint station with red, blue, yellow, white, and black paints available for all teams. When mixing paints, please consider the amount of paint your design requires. The City will also provide empty paint cans and brushes. Teams are responsible for all other materials required to execute their designs and must use high-quality materials that are appropriate for outdoor weather conditions in Stevens Point. Artwork can use media other than paint but all materials must hold up on the concrete containers and be easily painted over for next year’s competition.

**Prizes**: On May 15th at the culmination of ArtsWalk’s Mass Guitar Incident, two prizes will be awarded:
1. *Canvas of the Year*: Selected by a panel of judges. Cash prize, $250 minimum.
2. *People’s Choice Award*: Throughout ArtsWalk, community members will have the opportunity to purchase tickets ($1 for 1, $5 for 6, $20 wingspans) to cast votes for their favorite pieces. Voting will open at 5:00 PM and run until 7:30 PM. The Canvas receiving the highest number of tickets will win the accumulated prize money. A cash prize will be awarded to the Canvas of the Year.

**Rights**: The City of Stevens Point and CREATE Portage County, Inc. will hold the rights to artwork developed as a part of this competition. They reserve the right to use images and recreations of completed artwork in promotional materials and merchandise. The City of Stevens Point reserves the right to paint over any trash can at any time for any reason.

**Specs**: Trash cans are approximately 32” tall and 83” in circumference with a curve in at the bottom starting 5” from the ground. We recommend that teams measure their specific container before painting and adjust design work accordingly. The concrete surface will be slightly rough and porous. *Aside from the plastic top, the surface will be painted completely white in preparation for your artwork!*

PLEASE NOTIFY CREATE PORTAGE COUNTY PRIOR TO MAY 8TH IF YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO COMPLETE YOUR PROJECT.
TRASHCANVAS APPLICATION

TRASHCANVAS TEMPLATE (the two ends of your design will meet on the trash can)

TEAM LEAD: ___________________________ EMAIL: ___________________________ PHONE: ___________________________

GROUP AFFILIATION/NAME: ___________________________

By signing this form, I agree to the conditions of this competition, I affirm that all design work submitted is original, and I pledge to follow our approved design to the best of our abilities.

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SIGNATURE DATE

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO INFO@CREATEPORTAGECOUNTY.ORG OR DROPPED OFF AT 1039B ELLIS ST. BY 5:00 PM ON MAY 1.