

CALL TO ARTISTS

Percent For Art Opportunity

Submission deadline:

Mon, October 21 @ 5:00 p.m. EST

Budget: \$45,500



MSAD54 - Margaret Chase Smith Community School

Maine's percent for art program was established by law in 1979 and sponsors public art for publicly-financed buildings. The law decrees that 1% minimum of the budget for construction or renovation costs of buildings funded through taxpayer dollars is appropriated for acquiring works of art. Each project is developed in cooperation with professionals in the local community and installed permanently on the site of the capital project.

Maine is one of 27 states in the U.S. that has an active percent for art program. The Maine Arts Commission oversees the acquisition process, advocating for artists to be an integral part of the design process to further enrich our community buildings. These public sites serve as important venues for all of our citizens to appreciate artwork outside the traditional museum or gallery. We campaign for public art because it:

- Makes public spaces more appealing, useful or accessible through the incorporation of artworks
- Directly supports cultural tourism and economic development strategies
- Gives a city/site character an identity that makes it appealing to residents and helps to further attract visitors
- Offers opportunities for artists and designers to respond creatively to design challenges and enriches the vision for the site for all parties
- Provides opportunities and employment for regional artists

If you are interested in submitting a proposal for the Margaret Chase Smith Community School, please use the link below.

Percent for Art Opportunity : <https://mainearts.maine.gov/Pages/Programs/Public-Arts>