



City of Ketchum

News Release  
April 24, 2019

Contact: Lisa Enourato  
[lenourato@ketchumidaho.org](mailto:lenourato@ketchumidaho.org)

## **Ketchum Issues Call for Artists**

*Original mural will be displayed in Ketchum Visitor Center*

KETCHUM, Idaho – The City of Ketchum, Idaho, invites professional, Idaho-based artists to design and paint a mural in the Ketchum Visitor Center. This project is made possible by a grant from the Idaho Commission on the Arts.

The selected artist or artistic team will work with City of Ketchum Arts Commission to design a 9' high x 25' wide mural that reflects the character of Ketchum and the surrounding area. Possible themes include local history, culture, flora, fauna or landscape.

The final design will be recommended by the Ketchum Arts Commission to the Ketchum City Council for approval. Upon approval by Ketchum City Council and successful completion of the mural, the artist(s) will receive a fee of three thousand dollars (\$3,000). Artist(s) will also be reimbursed for up to five hundred dollars (\$500) for materials.

The call for artists, which provides detailed information on the submission process, can be found at [www.ketchumidaho.org/arts](http://www.ketchumidaho.org/arts). The deadline for submission is May 13, 2019, no later than 5 p.m.

###

### **About the City of Ketchum**

The City of Ketchum is located in the Wood River Valley in south central Idaho. Founded in 1880 during the mining boom, Ketchum is now regarded as one of the most popular destinations for winter and summer visitors due to its world-class skiing, mountain biking, fishing, hiking, restaurants, art galleries and shopping. In 2018, Ketchum was awarded designation by the International Dark-Sky Association as a Dark Sky Community and is included in the Nation's first International Dark Sky Reserve, one of only 13 in the world. The City of Ketchum hosts the famous annual Wagon Days Parade, held on Labor Day weekend, and numerous other year-round attractions. Ketchum is home to more than 10,000 full- and part-time residents. For more information about the City of Ketchum, visit [www.ketchumidaho.org](http://www.ketchumidaho.org).

### **About Ketchum Arts Commission**

The Ketchum Arts Commission (KAC) was created by the City of Ketchum in 2007 with the objective of integrating arts and culture into the community's life. It seeks to encourage opportunities for Ketchum residents to participate in artistic activities and to promote the development of Ketchum artists. At the KAC's initiative, the city recently increased its Percent for Art Ordinance for public projects from 1.33 percent to 5 percent, which is believed to be higher than any other city in the country. The Commission consists of local volunteers who are active in and passionate about the arts.