

# ARTERY CASES

## Background

The Artery, a bike, pedestrian and vehicle connection and community space on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue South between the future of Downtown Hopkins Light Rail Transit station and the City's historic downtown, opened in 2018 and has several pieces of permanent art. The Artery cases were designed to hold two dimensional and possibly some three dimensional artwork. The intent of the cases are to showcase local and regional artists while adding interest to the public space.

## Eligible Artwork for Display

- Artwork does not need to be original works. Artwork displayed in the cases should be able to withstand both sunlight and moisture. The cases do have a lock but because there has not been a long history of using the cases, artwork should not have a high monetary value and the artist must sign a waiver releasing the City of Hopkins from any liability due to exposure, damage or theft.
- The purpose of the art in the cases is to engage the passerby. The art can take many forms and serve a variety of roles. It can be visually stimulating, thought provoking or humorous. Artists are encouraged to think about how the art can be interactive, perhaps by using social media.
- There is an interest in experimenting with different art forms including two-dimensional, written word, and sculpture.
- The intent is not to use the cases for advertising. However, acknowledgement of the artist including the address of their studio or gallery is appropriate. No vulgar or sexually-explicit content will be accepted as the audience will be the general public including young children.

## Application Process

Applications to have your artwork displayed in the Artery cases will be accepted on an ongoing basis. To be considered, please complete the application form on the reverse side.

Selected artwork will be on display for approximately 30 days. This may be adjusted if mutually agreed upon by the City of Hopkins and the artist.

2019 will be a year of experimentation. The intent will be to allow different artists the ability to use the cases while we learn what the parameters are for display and what forms of art are best suited for our goals. Based on what we learn during this experimental period, guidelines for use will be amended as needed.

## Photo of Cases with Dimensions:



8th Avenue & 1st St. S. - four, double-sided cases  
approx. 27 1/2" x 39"



Excelsior Blvd & Mainstreet  
approx. 21 1/2" x 40"

# APPLICATION FOR DISPLAYING ARTWORK ON THE ARTERY

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the art you are proposing for the cases: \_\_\_\_\_

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How do you think the public will benefit from the artwork? \_\_\_\_\_

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Are you interested in the case on Excelsior Boulevard/Mainstreet or the cases on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue? How many cases would you like to use? \_\_\_\_\_

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When is the art available? Do you have any hanging requirements/equipment needs? \_\_\_\_\_

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Any other special requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please return completed application and photos of the artwork, if it is existing to the  
Hopkins Center for the Arts, 1111 Mainstreet, Hopkins MN 55343  
or email to [landerson@hopkinsmn.com](mailto:landerson@hopkinsmn.com)**

Thank you for your interest. We appreciate your collaboration in bringing more art experiences to Hopkins.