

SEPTEMBER UPDATE

SAVE THE DATE
SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 28TH 4-6PM
"FLIP THE EXHIBIT"

WILLEY HOUSE MAIN STREET PARK RECEIVES FIRST ARTS GRANT

The Artist Among Us Pocket was the first project the Arts, Culture & Tourism Commission completed in town, but our ideas didn't stop there. In fact, we're currently working to enhance the Willey House street frontage and abutting building walls into another pocket park with a welcome mural, kinetic sculpture created from historic farming implements and carpentry tools plus, another mini art gallery and community gathering space.



To fund this project, we applied for two grants and were recently advised that we received a \$5100 Community Engagement grant from the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts. The second application for a TMobile Hometown grant will be awarded in November. Both grants require project completion by Oct. 2024.

While we wait for the grant decisions, we are brainstorming fundraising ideas. The first of which was the Backyard Bash/Punt Raffle of Jason Shamesman's beautiful downtown Newmarket aerial photo. Sincere thanks to everyone who bought a raffle ticket to support future Arts, Culture & Tourism initiatives. **CONGRATS** especially to Wendy Chase who won the print. Do you have a fundraising idea? Share it with us via email.

Take Note...

WE'RE FLIPPING THE EXHIBIT

On Saturday, October 28, 4-6pm we'll flip the mural and light up the park with a pumpkin carving contest as part of the Halloween Haunt celebration. Come to the Artist Among Us Pocket Park to see the NEW mural by Alex Leith. Bring your pumpkin to the park by 3:30p to win a \$50 dining gift certificate. All ages welcome.

ARE YOU THE ARTIST AMONG US?

If so, please send pictures of your work for both the mural and Mini Art Gallery to us as soon as possible. Artist submissions are limited to Newmarket residents only. High-resolution digital files will be required for mural panel printing. There is no cost to the artist to participate in these public displays.

HELPING HANDS MOST WELCOME

Members of the community are welcome to attend the next ACT meeting on **Tuesday**, **October 2** at 6 pm in the Town Hall. Come help us bring creativity to life. **Email us at:**

atcommission@newmarketnh.gov

