



New Orleans Public Library



EXAMPLE PROJECTS - MILAGROS





MILAGROS collective wins Main Library Mural Design Contest

The New Orleans Public Library was awarded a 2014 Community Call from the City of New Orleans' Percent For Art Program, administered by Arts Council New Orleans, for the installation of a mural on the outside wall of the Main Library. Since 1986, the Arts Council of New Orleans has integrated distinct art into our city's public spaces. The Percent for Art program, which has been administered by the Arts Council since that year, is supported through funding generated by 1% of eligible municipal capital bonds.

In the spring of 2015, the Arts Council of New Orleans requested mural design options from local artists. A committee comprised of Library staff, Arts Council staff, Main Library Patrons, and Central Business District residents selected five final design choices with the winning design to be chose by the public.

With 1,524 mural design votes cast, the winning design was created by MILAGROS collective. The MILAGROS collective design received 62% of the vote. Installation of the mural will begin during the summer of 2015 and should be completed by the end of the year.

MILAGROS COLLECTIVE DESIGN STATEMENT

The objective of MILAGROS is to reinforce individual strength through collaboration. For the New Orleans Public Library concept we wanted to embody the spirit of the city using elements of rhythm, movement, & pattern in an improvisational way. The vibrancy of the colors and the vibration of the line work are a reflection of the exuberance of the city of New Orleans. - MILAGROS collective artist Joey Fillastre.

WINNING MURAL DESIGN

