



TULARE COUNTY  
GENERAL SERVICES AGENCY

# Call to Artists!



The TULARE COUNTY GENERAL SERVICES AGENCY and the ARTS CONSORTIUM are requesting design proposals for painted concrete games: cornhole set, table tennis, dominos with four stools, and chess table with two stools. These concrete games will be located at West Main Park in Visalia (near the intersection of the West Main St extension and Mill Creek).

All submissions are Welcome!

One artist will be selected to create designs, on all provided concrete games, that follow the assigned theme throughout the set of games.

The selected artist will secure a \$10,000 budget for the artist to realize their proposal.

**The concrete game designs will need to include the theme of County Landmark:**

- Morro Rock
- Gateway to Sequoias
- General Sherman
- Redwoods
- Giant Sequoias

Painting will take place on-site at 2825 W Main St, Visalia, CA 93291.

**Painting will begin after July 2026.**

All proposals should be family friendly in nature and content. Proposals **must adhere** to one or more of the provided themes to be considered for selection.

**Submission Deadline**

**Wednesday, June 10, 2026 at 11:59pm**

**ALL ENTRIES SHOULD BE EMAILED TO: [hello@artsconsortium.org](mailto:hello@artsconsortium.org)**

## **PAINTING SPECIFICATIONS**

All proposals should include plans to cover and seal all the concrete surfaces.

### 1. Surface Preparation (Common to All Surfaces)

- Cleaning: Scrub all concrete surfaces with a heavy-duty degreaser or citrus-based cleaner. Pressure wash to remove all chemical residue, dirt, and biological growth.
- Moisture Check: Concrete must be bone dry before any application. Allow at least 24 hours of dry time after washing.
- Etching (Table Tops Only): apply a mild phosphoric acid etch to create a profile (similar to fine sandpaper) for the primer to bite into. Rinse and dry again.

### 2. Playing Surfaces: White Primer & Paint

- Primer: [Masterchem Kilz Premium Stain Blocker Primer](#).
  - Application: Apply one uniform coat. A second coat is recommended to ensure a solid white base and moisture resistance.
- Topcoat: Use a high-performance Exterior Floor & Patio Acrylic (e.g., Benjamin Moore or Behr Premium Concrete). Provide cut sheets of products to be reviewed by GSA staff.
- Environmental Constraints:
  - Temperature: Air and surface temps must be between 70°F and 90°F.

### 3. Table Legs: Invisible Clear Sealer

- Product Recommendation: [Foundation Armor SX5000 WB](#) (Water-Based Silane-Siloxane).
- Objective: To provide professional-grade water and stain protection without changing the appearance, color, or texture of the concrete.
- Application:
  - Apply using a low-pressure sprayer or a 3/8" nap roller.
  - Wet-on-Wet: Apply a second coat while the first is still wet (within 10-15 minutes) for maximum penetration.

Finish: Must be Flat/Matte and invisible once cured.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

By submitting your work, you agree to the following terms and conditions:

The concrete games are intended to remain on display for an extended period (no less than 15 years). All paint/mediums must be of professional, lightfast quality.

- First round of submissions will be done digitally (email: [hello@artsconsortium.org](mailto:hello@artsconsortium.org))
  - Subject line: "CONCRETE CANVAS GAMES"
- Proposed artwork must be original and must be drawn to scale.
  - **~7.8 square feet** per cornhole board, **~45 square feet** table tennis, **~7.3 square feet** Chess base (the top can't be painted), **~14.3 sq. ft.** Domino (top and base), **~8 square ft** per stool
  - **Chess table 32" x 32" x 30"H, domino table 33" x 33" x 30"H, cornhole 27" (widest spot legs), play surface is 24" x 48"**
- Digital submissions must be original or free of copyright and in the public domain.
- Digital submissions must be full color and of no less than a 300-dpi resolution.
- Selected artist must be prepared to prime all painting surfaces as needed. All concrete games will be unsealed and ready for paint. (Please refer to PAINTING SPECIFICATIONS)
- Paint should be good quality concrete paint. (Please refer to PAINTING SPECIFICATIONS)
- All actual painting will happen at 2825 W Main St, Visalia, CA 93291
- Administrating organizations reserve the right to request or implement changes to the final design.
- You agree to release all copyrights of your final design to the Tulare County General Services Agency and the Arts Consortium for marketing and reporting purposes.
- You agree that applying to this artist opportunity does not guarantee you participation or compensation.

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Emailed digital files must be clearly labeled with the following information about the original artwork: **artist's name, title of art proposal, phone number, artist's mailing address.**
- Artwork content must be family friendly and follow one or more of the provided themes.
- **Emailed application packets MUST INCLUDE:**
  - Proposed project rendering (to scale) labeled "ARTIST\_NAME\_CONCRETE CANVAS GAMES"
  - Name of participating artist (*Please provide legal name*)
  - Telephone number
  - Mailing address
  - Project Timeline
  - Between 2 and 3 samples of previous art work

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