

Mural Project: Salida, CO

Final Concept

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Stargazing

For the Salida mural project RFP, we posed the question, What does Adventure mean to you, and what does it mean to the community of Salida?

Salida-based artists Michael Buckley and Katie Meadows responded with one word: *Stargazing*.

As Buckley wrote in his proposal, Salida is a wonderful mix of outdoor adventurers and traditional ranching families. Stargazing is universal.

We love this idea because it speaks to notions of wonder and awe, community, and connection to the wild and unknown. We also love the simple and colorful graphic approach, as the figures from a distance share a subtle resemblance to the surrounding mountains of the Arkansas River Valley.

A small plaque installed at eye level will include a brief description of the artists and the mural, as well as a QR code for visitors to scan with their phones and learn more about the night sky.

Michael and Katie live with their son Dutch just three blocks away from the building site. While the majority of the installation will be covered by Michael and a small crew, they welcome the Salida community to stop in and say hello while they work.

For more on Michael and Katie, visit typegarage.com.



