

**Print****APPLICATION FORM IN RESPONSE TO THE CALL FOR ARTIST FOR WHITEWATER TRAFFIC BOXES -  
Submission #1343****Date Submitted: 4/15/2025****ARTIST INFORMATION****Name of Applicant/Team Leader:\***

Sam Mckelvey

**Additional Team Members (if applicable)****Mailing Address:\***

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**PROPOSAL INFORMATION****Project Title or Theme:\***

Whitewater Witch Craft

**Proposed Project Location(s):\***

Box located at corner of W Main and W Whitewater

**Description of Concept (max 500 words): (Please describe your design concept, including inspiration, themes, and how it reflects the City of Whitewater)\***

I intend on painting an electrical box with Whitewater's mystical history embedded into the design. With the infamous "cursed book" open on the top of the box, vines will grow from the book and seep out and down all sides. These vines will stretch to a landscape painting of the Witches' Tower on a full moon's night. Another face of the box will capture the historical Morris Pratt Institute. The other two sides of the box will be portraits: one of Mary Hayes-Chynoweth, a spiritual healer, and the other of Mary Worth, an axe murderer who haunts the town of Whitewater after being executed. These two Mary's signify the balance of good and evil hidden within the spiritual world, while the landscape frames embody the foundations that enabled this paranormality to thrive in the city of Whitewater. As a whole, the box serves as a representation of the power this town holds both in mystery and diversity.

**VISUAL ATTACHMENTS: Design sketches/mock-ups included (up to 4 images)****VISUAL ATTACHMENTS**

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BIO.pdf

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Portfolio.pdf

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\$1800

**ITEMIZED BUDGET (LABOR, MATERIALS, CONTINGENCY, ETC.); \***

\$200-Mural paint

\$30-Brushes

\$70-Exterior top coat

\$1,500 Labor=\$25/Hour x estimated 60 hours

Total

\$1,800

**MAINTENANCE PLAN****How will the artwork be protected and maintained? (max 300 words) (Please describe how you will ensure the durability and vibrancy of your design.)\***

I will coat the art box in an exterior-protected top coat to lock in the colors and design.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**How are you connected to Whitewater, WI? If you do have a connection, please describe briefly.\***

I have lived in Whitewater nearly my whole life. I've grown up learning about the city's mystical history and have lived a block away from Starin park for the most of it.

**Which category best describes you?\***

- ☒ Amateur
- ☐ Professional
- ☐ School or Youth Organization
- ☐ A person under the age of 18
- ☐ other, please list below

**If other, explain****Will you collaborate with local organizations or businesses for in-kind support?\***

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

**If yes, provide details**

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**DECLARATION**

I certify that all information provided in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if selected, my design will become the property of the City of Whitewater.

**Signature of Applicant/Team Leader:\***

Sam Mckelvey

**Date:\***

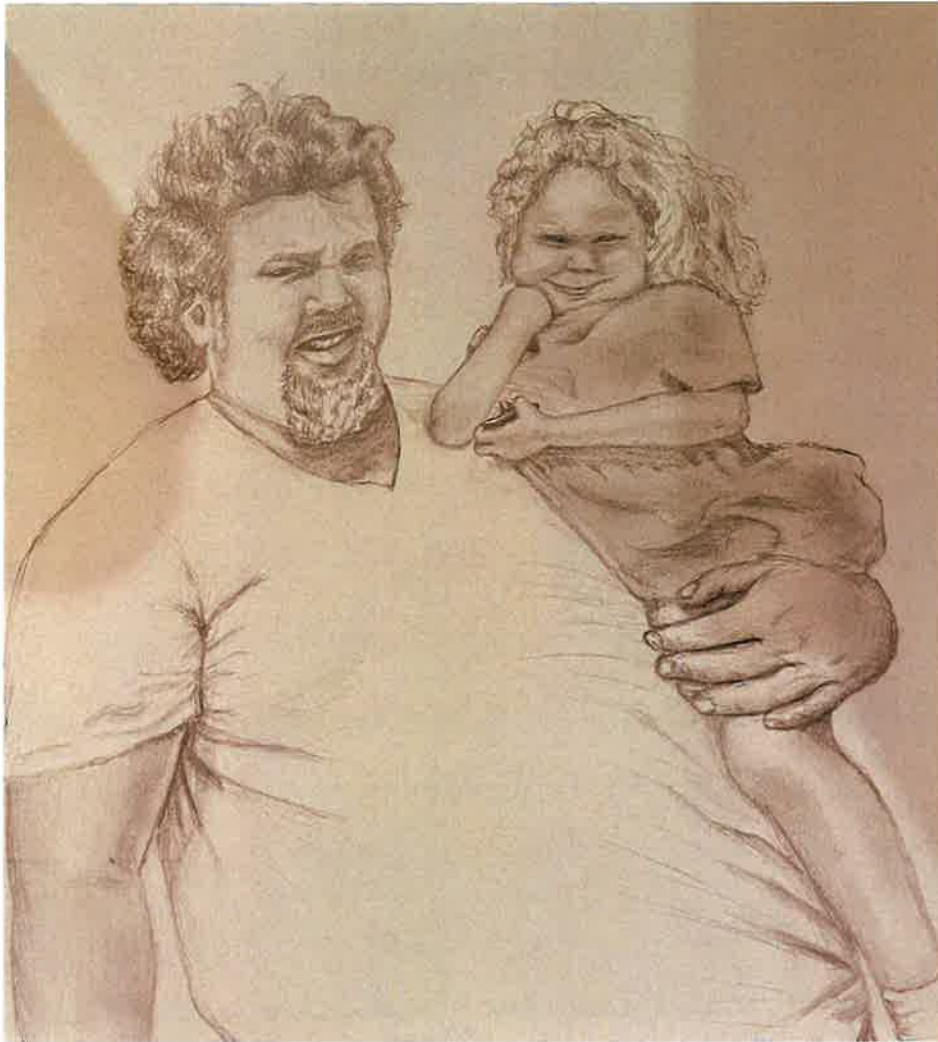
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My name is Sam Mckelvey. I'm a vibrant young artist known for my dynamic mixed media creations. I have lived in Whitewater since I was a young girl, and leaving an everlasting mark on the community I grew alongside would be a privilege and an honor. I love to explore the intersection of reality and imagination, and you will see this in my storybook inspired design. Born with a passion for creativity and an ambitious drive to seize opportunities, I believe I am a fantastic candidate for this project.



**20x24 pencil sketch of a young girl and her dad, a gift for a coworker**



**9x9, pencil & highlighter birthday present**



**16x20 oil pastel 'sun and moon lovers'**