

Art Pop-Up Night



Bring your neighborhood together with art! Create a temporary creative pop-up where neighbors of all ages can join in art activities, express themselves, and get to know one another.

Budget

\$250 - \$400

Difficulty Level

Easy

Location Suggestions

- Front yard
- Park
- Closed-street (Block Party Permit required)

City Support

[Mini-Grant funding](#) is available!

Material List | Estimated Cost

- **Art supplies – will vary based on activity**
 - Collage | \$30
 - Acrylic painting | \$50
 - Coloring pages | \$30
- **Rented tables and chairs | \$60**
- **Protective tarp for ground | \$15**
- **Display boards, clothesline, or panel divider for showcasing artwork | \$25**
- **Refreshments for participants | \$40**
- **Optional**
 - Hired local artist | \$100-\$150
 - Block Party Permit

Step by Step | How to Plan this Event

1-2 Months Before Event

1 Set a Time & Location

- Choose a **time** that aligns with neighborhood availability.
- Consider the **best location** based on accessibility, foot traffic, and space for setting up multiple art stations.

2 Obtain Any Necessary Permits and Permissions

If you're closing a residential street, you will need to apply for a [Block Party Permit](#) for an eligible street.

3 Determine Art Activities

You can host any interactive art activity! Consider:

- Your neighborhood's **interests**.
- **Skill level**. Make sure the activity has options for different skill levels, especially beginners!
- Any **artists living in your neighborhood**. Consider asking them to help facilitate!

Activity Suggestion & Supplies

Collage | \$30

- Paper
- Glue
- Old magazines or newspaper
- Personal photos
- Found objects like fabric scraps



1. Neighbors make their own collages based on prompts.
2. Create a large collaborative collage piece, representing the neighborhood.

Acrylic Painting | \$50

- Paper
- Paint brushes
- Acrylic paint
- Water and cups
- Paper towels
- Items to paint



1. Paint portraits based on themed prompts.
2. Invite neighbors to bring items from their homes to paint!

Coloring Pages | \$30

- Printed designs
- Your own designs
- Coloring tools:
 - Colored pencils
 - Markers
 - Glitter pens



1. Make your own coloring pages to color at the event, and invite neighbors to make and bring their own designs too.
2. Print pre-made sheets offline or purchase coloring books.



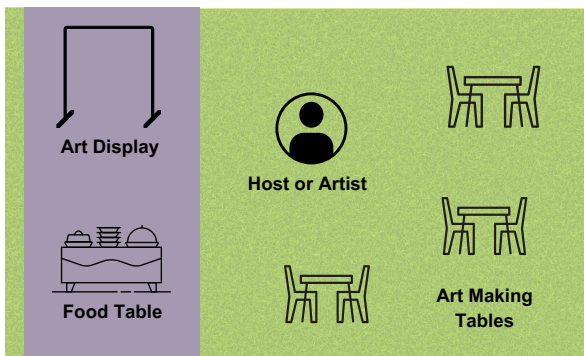
4 Hire a Local Artist to Facilitate!

- Look around online for **local artists** and reach out.
- Neighborhood Services can give you recommendations!
- Fair compensation can range from **\$60-150 per hour**. Ask the artist what their prices are.

6 Plan Site Layout

Make a **simple site plan** of how the different stations will be arranged. Sketch it out!

Potential Front Yard Layout



3 Weeks Before Event

5 Gather Supplies

- **Buy or source** art supplies and event materials.
- **Get materials from your neighborhood!** Ask around if your neighbors have leftover art supplies.
- Although some artists might want to bring their own supplies, it is good courtesy to purchase supplies for the artist. Coordinate with the artist about this.

7 Promote the Event

Extend invitations to residents of all ages in the neighborhood, emphasizing that anyone can enjoy regardless of skill level.

- **At Least 2-3 Weeks Before | Social Media and Email:** Post on Nextdoor, Facebook, and/or Instagram. Email if you can.
- **1 Week Before | Flyers:** Go door-to-door. Design colorful flyers, postcards, or personal invitations.
- **1 Day Before | Reminder:** Send out a reminder message on social media or by email.

Day-Of Event | 1 Hour Before

8 Set-Up

Prepare the event space by setting up any stations.

Day-Of Event | Start of Event

9 Greet Neighbors

Greet neighbors as they arrive, provide them with information about the art activities available, and encourage them to unleash their creativity!

10 Help and Facilitate

Offer assistance as needed, fostering a supportive and encouraging environment for artistic expression!

11 Showcase Artwork

As people finish their art, **invite them to display and celebrate completed artwork**. *You can even encourage neighbors to share and swap designs!*

12 Clean Up

Make sure **not to dump any contaminated water or chemicals** on the ground. Dispose properly in the trash or at a Hazardous Waste facility.

After Event

13 Display Your Work!

Encourage neighbors to **place artwork in their windows** or, if durable, **outside in their front yards**.