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MOUNT CLEMENS ARTSPACE ART MARKET STUDY RESULTS AVAILABLE SOON

The City of Mount Clemens Artspace Steering Committee and Artspace are pleased to announce the release of the City of Mount Clemens Arts Market Study results. This information offers critical insight into the demand for and feasibility of an affordable mixed-use live/work facility for artists and creatives in downtown Mount Clemens.

The release of the data will take place via a virtual Zoom session reveal on Tuesday August 25, 2020. More information will be forthcoming to community stakeholders and survey participants via email invitation, and the report will be released on the Anton Art Center website (www.theartcenter.org/artspace-info) following the Zoom sessions.

The City of Mount Clemens' Arts Market Study online survey was shared with artists and creatives living and working in an approximate 50-mile radius of the City of Mount Clemens. The survey data helps Artspace determine the number and types of living and creative working to recommend for Mount Clemens as well as the space features, amenities, and affordability levels necessary to ensure that any new space serves local and regional creative-sector needs.

"This is an incredible project and the data will reflect the definite demand for affordable live/work artist and creative spaces in downtown Mount Clemens," says Laura Kropp, Mayor of the City of Mount Clemens.















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"The tremendous response from the artist community has been exciting! This project will be a creative and economic driver for the City of Mount Clemens." says Phil Gilchrist, Executive Director of Anton Art Center and Barb Dempsey, Steering Committee Co-Chairs.

Artspace is a national nonprofit who has been working with the City of Mount Clemens Steering Committee since April of 2019 through generous grants from the City of Mount Clemens Downtown Development Authority, Macomb County Planning and Economic Development, DTE Energy Foundation, and the Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan.

About the Anton Art Center - The Anton Art Center is a Macomb County's premier community art center, located at 125 Macomb Place, Mount Clemens, MI 48043. Our mission is to enrich and inspire people of all ages through the arts, which we achieve through exhibits, educational programs, outreach activities and more. For more information about the Anton Art Center, visit www.theartcenter.org, call (586) 469-8666, or connect with us on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram.

About the Mount Clemens Downtown Development Authority - The Mount Clemens DDA was established in April 1983 by the City of Mount Clemens to revitalize the central business district. Through various activities, the DDA works to strengthen the economy and vitality of the downtown core. A lively downtown increases property values throughout the city while improving the quality of life for all residents. To accomplish this task, the DDA is engaged in a variety of development projects while producing and/or sponsoring over 25 events annually Downtown.

About Artspace. Artspace's mission is to create, foster, and preserve affordable and sustainable space for artists and arts organizations. Artspace was founded in 1979 to support artists being displaced by rising costs - the unintended consequences of the positive community changes that they inspired. Through both the adaptive reuse of historic buildings and new construction projects, Artspace creates affordable places for artists, arts organizations, and other creative enterprises, retaining ownership to ensure that the buildings remain permanently affordable, mission- focused, and high















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quality. Today, Artspace's unique portfolio includes 50+ projects nationwide. Artspace properties ensure that creative communities flourish, benefitting the neighborhoods where they reside. With headquarters in Minneapolis and offices in, New York, and Washington D.C., Artspace is renowned as America's leading nonprofit real estate developer for the arts and arts-based community development. Artspace also leverages its expertise to support the next generation of transformative art spaces, with a robust consulting division that has worked on more than 250 projects coast to coast, including city-wide planning projects, arts districts, and more. Embracing the value that the arts bring to individual lives, Artspace champions the once-radical idea that the arts can leverage fundamental social change. For more information, please visit www.artspace.org.

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