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The Vinton Guild of Fine Arts (VGFA) was established in 2014 to support the visual fine arts and artists in Vinton and our nearby communities.

The Vision for the Guild is to:

- A. Broaden our appreciation of the Visual Arts, including drawing, painting, pottery, photography, carving, and other visual fine arts*
- B. Assist area artists to grow, re-fine, and share their talents*
- C. Sponsor public art and special events that will put Vinton on the map as a cultural location*
- D. Encourage those starting out on their Artistic Journey*



Visit us at www.vintonart.com
or on Facebook at:
[vintonguildoffinearts](https://www.facebook.com/vintonguildoffinearts)

CONTACT INFO

About the workshop: Anita Gordon at vintonartguild@gmail.com or 319-560-4912
About the Art Guild: Gloria Orcutt at gmorecutt@yahoo.com or 319-296-5101.



Vinton, IA 52349

Vinton Guild of Fine Arts



Paint the Town: Mural Painting Workshop

for artists &
community planners

Saturday,
Sept 25, 2021
10 am—3 pm

Pourville Art Studio & Gallery
104 W 4th St, Vinton, IA

(* Location may change, depending on COVID.
Any changes will be posted on our website and
emailed to all registrants.)

Registration Deadline:
Sept 18, 2021



What is Back Alley Art?

Back Alley Art is an initiative of the Vinton Guild of Fine Arts, in partnership with Pourville Art Studio & Gallery and Vinton Unlimited, to bring colorful, interactive murals into the alleyways and other public spaces of downtown Vinton.

How can you participate?

We are looking for **building owners** interested in hosting a mural, **local/regional artists** interested in designing and painting a mural, and **community volunteers** to assist in painting, preparation, and other activities. We are also looking for **patrons** to support the effort financially. If you would like additional information, or to donate to Back Alley Art, we encourage you to **visit vintonart.com**, email vintonartguild@gmail.com or call Anita Gordon at 319-560-4912.

Paint the Town: Mural Painting Workshop

This intensive planning workshop will be taught by Thomas Agran, muralist and public art consultant from Iowa City. The workshop will offer both artists and community planners tips and techniques for designing and painting large interior and exterior murals. Thomas will discuss materials, application, preparation, enlargement of designs, and historic surface considerations, as well as planning, community engagement, and budgeting/funding of murals in public spaces.

Guest Artist & Teacher: Thomas Agran

Thomas has taught painting and drawing at the university level since 2011, and worked for 3 years as the Director of Public Art for the Iowa City Downtown District. In addition to his studio work, he has designed, executed, managed, and mentored dozens of mural projects – from private commissions to large municipal scale work in historically sensitive areas to community engaged and participatory mural and public art projects. He also serves as a consultant for murals and other public art projects and programs, and serves on the board of Public Space One, a local arts nonprofit in Iowa City.

Portrait credit: Christopher Hunter



Born in Kentucky, raised in Ohio, and currently residing in Iowa City, Iowa, Thomas is very interested in the Midwest -- for both its charms as well as its challenges. He is particularly dedicated to the Midwestern landscape, its total transformation through agriculture, and the political, social, and environmental consequences of that change. Some of his paintings also explore the complicated nexus of food, agriculture, nostalgia, and marketing. To learn more about Thomas, visit thomasagran.com.

Murals Workshop, Sept 25, 2021 Registration Form

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

City/State: _____

Background (check all that apply):

- ☐ Artist
☐ Community planner
☐ Other interested person

How did you hear about the workshop? _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Course Fee (does not include lunch):

Member of VGFA \$ 30, Non-member \$ 45

To join the Guild, add \$ 30 annual membership fee (\$ 40 for families), or visit vintonart.com.

We gratefully acknowledge financial support for Back Alley Art and this workshop from the **City of Vinton and Vinton Community Foundation**.

Completed form with check must be **received by**
Saturday, Sept 18, 2021

Mail to: Anita Gordon
1013 2nd Avenue
Vinton, IA 52349

OR

Register online at vintonart.com and pay via Paypal by directing payment to vintonartguild@gmail.com.