



Guidelines for Murals and Street Art

across business centres within the Lismore
Local Government area – June 2024

This information refers to commissioning or creating murals and street art on a business premise within the Lismore Local Government Area (LGA), with landowner's consent for painting or marking on the building exterior visible from a public place.

These guidelines are designed to inform businesses, property owners, artists and other stakeholders who may be involved in mural and street art projects.*

Lismore City Council recognises the artistic, social and economic value of murals and street art. Lismore's creative community has been identified as a competitive advantage in the Lismore, Nimbin & Villages Destination Management Plan 2024-2028.

What you need to do:

1. Read our definition of murals and street art

Murals and street art are created with the landowner's consent, and are painted, marked or otherwise affixed to the outside of a building and visible from a public place. It may be art in the form of words, figures, shapes or lines, but doesn't include re-painting, signage or advertisements.

With property owner's consent confirmed for the proposed mural or street art, you will also need to check the following requirements.

2. Determine if a Development Application is required

Development Consent is required when the proposed mural or street art:

- Protudes more than 30mm from a wall or other surface, and/or
- Is located on a heritage item or in a heritage conservation area.

You can check [our online maps](#) for heritage items or contact a Duty Planner on 02 6625 0500.

3. Consider safety and site stakeholders

If painting or installing the artwork could potentially impact a public road or footpath, you will need to contact Lismore City Council to confirm how to manage safety and risks on site.

Along with confirming the property owner's consent, consider any impacts on neighbouring businesses and/or residents, along with pedestrians and traffic in vicinity of the project.

Well before you get started, please contact a Duty Planner on 02 6625 0500 to discuss the proposed project and what may be required for safety and minimising impact on stakeholders.

Find out more:

Should you require information regarding development application requirements, please [check this information on our website](#). You can also contact a Duty Planner on 02 6625 0500.

If you have further questions about murals, street art and other business centre activation ideas, please contact the Destination and Economy team at business@lismore.nsw.gov.au

* Related consultation is underway regarding arts, culture and creative industries, and outcomes will be linked to these guidelines.