

Art project: thoughts and feelings of home on Duisburg's bridge pillars.

Call for Street Art- and Graffiti-Artists

What is home (hometown)?

Is it the municipal services tower that you can see from afar? Is it the kebab shop around the corner where you are greeted with: "The usual?" Is it the godmother who reminisces with stories from the past? Is it a song that you sang in your childhood? Home has many forms; it can be a specific place or a spiritual space, a feeling, a smell, or a situation. Thoughts about home can make you feel warm, or they can cause pain.

Hometown graffiti

We are turning many dull grey concrete bridge pillars into works of art: The feelings, thoughts and wishes of the Duisburgers on the subject of "home" will be put into spray cans and placed on the A 59 piers by professionals. The Duisburg Community Foundation would like to invite you to participate

Implementation

Duisburg is very diverse - this is shown by the many different answers that the community foundation received from Duisburgers of all ages, genders and origins in response to their questions about home.

Call to action

We would like to call on you as an artist to give these collected thoughts and feelings an artistic-visual presence that you spray on selected and prepared motorway pillars. In this way, "home-art" is integrated into the cityscape, can be admired at any time and carries the bridges that connect us all in Duisburg.

What we are looking for:

We (the artist and community foundation) choose a home theme together, which you transfer into a work of art and which you spray on two pillars (one along the A59 motorway and one at a place where all the home artworks are shown together).

What we will provide

The Duisburg Community Foundation provides the prepared pillars, including scaffolding and spray cans. In addition, there will be a film accompanying the project that will capture you and your work and a catalogue in which you as an artist and your work will be presented.

Each artist receives 600 € as an expense allowance as well as for any travel and accommodation. We are happy to help you with this.

The planning sequence:

All artists who would like to take part in the project, please fill out the attached artist contact sheet (letter of interest) and email it to the project manager Elke Mühlhoff at muehlhoff@buengerstiftung-duisburg.de. We will contact you shortly and discuss everything else personally.

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