



## Media Release

# “Bee” part of the Buzz!

September 16, 2021 – A new Bee City mural is being created and the community is invited to “bee” part of the fun!

Community members, including individuals and households, can pre-register for one-hour time slots to work with mural artist Shandelle McCurdie to help paint one of Midland’s newest murals.

The community painting day will take place on September 22 from 1 to 8 p.m. at the North Simcoe Sports and Recreation Centre (NSSRC). Participants will be pre-screened, required to provide their contact tracing information, and wear a mask. In addition, participants must provide proof that they are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 along with photo ID to enter the NSSRC, following the provincial requirements that come into effect on that date. The only exemptions permitted for this activity are for unvaccinated people with medical exemptions and people under 12 years old. Individuals who cannot receive the vaccine due to medical exemptions will be permitted to participate with a doctor’s note until the medical exemption can be integrated as part of a digital vaccine certificate.

McCurdie has designed the concept for the mural and will have paint and brushes ready for those who are scheduled to help paint the mural’s bees, pollinators and pollinator-friendly plants and flowers.

“We are a mural community and what better way to celebrate our status as a Bee City than by creating vibrant, colourful new murals,” said Karen Mealing, Cultural Development Coordinator. “These murals will be installed around Midland so residents and visitors can enjoy them for years to come.”

No special painting skills are required, and all ages are welcome.

To register for a spot, contact Karen Mealing, Cultural Development Coordinator, at [kmealing@midland.ca](mailto:kmealing@midland.ca) or 705-526-4275 ext. 2200. Registrations will be accepted until 4 p.m. on September 21, unless all available slots are filled before this date.

The Town recognizes financial support received by the County of Simcoe to assist with some of the costs associated with completing this project.



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