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## **APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE FOR ARTSPACE UPTOWN ARTIST LOFTS**

### **Information sessions scheduled for artist interested in affordable live/work space in Michigan City, Indiana**

Applications for affordable live/work space for artists at the Artspace Uptown Artist Lofts are now being accepted, and four information sessions for interested tenants have been scheduled.

Prospective tenants can download applications and information packets directly from the Artspace website at [www.artspace.org/uptown](http://www.artspace.org/uptown). Applications are also available for pick up at the Artspace Uptown Artist Lofts building at 717 Franklin Street in Michigan City, at the Michigan City City Hall, and at the Michigan City Public Library.

Applicants who meet the initial requirements and income limits will be invited to submit a full application. Incomes can range from \$13,110 to \$37,440 depending on household size and unit type. Applications are accepted on a first come, first served basis and will be accepted until the building is fully leased. Tenants are expected to move into the building in March 2016.

Artspace Uptown Artist Lofts is a sustainable, mixed-use, community arts project in downtown Michigan City, Indiana. Now under construction, the project will transform the vacant Warren Building into an affordable live/work facility containing 44 units of housing for low-income artists and their families, resident gallery exhibition space, and approximately 5,400 sq.ft. of commercial space for creative businesses and arts organizations, all located in the nationally-designated Franklin Street Historic District of downtown Michigan City. Residential units range from studios to two-bedrooms, with rents ranging from \$327 to \$843.

Information sessions are scheduled for artists interested in learning more about the building and the application process.

December 4, 2015 - 5:00 p.m.

Southern Shore Art Association, 722 Franklin St, Michigan City, IN 46360

January 6, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.

Valparaiso Public Library (Valpo Branch), Meeting Room B, 103 Jefferson Street,  
Valparaiso, IN 46383

February 4th, 2016 – 6:00 p.m.

Information session and hard-hat tour

Artspace Uptown Artist Lofts, 717 Franklin Street, Michigan City

March 4, 2016 – 6:00 p.m.

Ribbon cutting and tour

Artspace Uptown Artist Lofts, 717 Franklin Street, Michigan City

### **About Artspace**

Artspace is non-profit organization that uses the tools of real estate development to create affordable, appropriate places where artists can live and work. We consistently develop these projects in ways that also support more stable, healthy communities anchored in existing assets. Because Artspace owns each of the projects it develops, we are able to ensure that they remain affordable and accessible to artists in perpetuity. Over the last three decades, Artspace has led an accelerating national movement of artist-led community transformation. While embracing the value the arts bring to individual lives, Artspace has championed the once-radical idea that artists living on the edge of poverty and chronically underfunded arts organizations can leverage fundamental social change. With headquarters in Minneapolis and offices in Los Angeles, New Orleans, New York, Seattle and Washington D.C., Artspace is America's leading developer of arts facilities and has served as a consultant to hundreds of communities and arts organizations nationwide. Additional information is available at [www.artspace.org](http://www.artspace.org).

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