

229 N Irving Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55405

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NORTHSIDE ARTSPACE LOFTS

Est. 2021

Project Details

- **Owner/Developer:** Artspace Projects
- **Architect:** LHB Architects
- **General Contractor:** Watson-Forsberg
- **Funders:** Bank of America, City of Minneapolis; Metropolitan Council; Bush Foundation; McKnight Foundation; Pohlad Foundation; US Bank; Enterprise Community Partners; Bridgewater Bank
- **Partners:** Juxtaposition Arts; City of Minneapolis Planning & Economic Development; Wellington Management
- **Type of Development:** Live/Work Affordable Artist Housing
- **Number of Units:** 100
- **Types of Units:** Efficiency One-, Two- and Three-Bedroom
- **Total Area:** 155,400 sq. ft.
- **Features:** A large gallery at the main entrance, community workspace, community gathering areas, outdoor arts engagement, child play areas, resident community and pollinator gardens, indoor bike storage, and underground parking

Overview

Located in the Harrison Neighborhood, approximately one mile from the Minneapolis Central Business District, Northside Artspace Lofts sits within a community with a rich cultural history supporting the arts and creative sectors. The new construction development boasts 100 units of affordable live/work space for creatives and their families, a large gallery at the main entrance, and community space. The five-story project is just one redevelopment in the brownfield area that aims to better serve the environment.

Northside Artspace Lofts is a mixed-use redevelopment of the 221 Irving Avenue North block in Minneapolis' Harrison Neighborhood, one mile from the Minneapolis Central Business District. The Harrison Neighborhood has a rich cultural heritage supporting the arts and creative sectors. The site is located in a brown field area in need of redevelopment to better serve the neighborhood and the environment. The Glenwood Avenue West Market District, as well as Metro Transit bus service, make the location well suited for residential and commercial development. Additionally, the planned Blue and Green Line LRT extensions will be within a 1/2 mile of the site, as are recreational bike trails.



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Project Partners

Juxtaposition Arts (JXTA) serves as the community and development partner to Artspace. With a long history of community building, youth employment, and arts training, JXTA has partnered with Artspace on the public space design concept. JXTA is also a development partner in the project with plans for permanent classroom, meeting, and event space on the ground floor of the project- serving as a home for community-based arts education in the Harrison neighborhood. Artspace also partnered with Wellington Management, who developed a three-story commercial building located on the south side of the block.

Project Funding

Northside Artspace Lofts is an approximately \$30 million project. The majority of funding came through an allocation of Low Income Housing Tax Credits. The City of Minneapolis awarded \$2.75 million in Affordable Housing Trust Funds. The Metropolitan Council awarded \$1.35 million to the project through a Livable Communities Demonstration Account grant. Additional funding is anticipated from the City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County and DEED. Current private funding sources for Northside Artspace Lofts include philanthropic support from the Bush Foundation, McKnight Foundation, the Pohlrad Family Foundation, U.S. Bank, Enterprise Community Partners, and Bridgewater Bank.



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