PULLMAN ARTSPACE LOFTS

PROJECT DETAILS

Developer Artspace Projects, Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives, and PullmanArts

Architect Stantec (formerly VOA Associates)

Type of Development Mixed-use, live/work units including working studios, community gallery and event space

Number of Units 38

Residential Space 36,500 sq. ft.

Community Space Approximately 2,000 sq. ft. of community space, including a community gallery, working studio, meeting space, and classroom space for residents of the Pullman Community. These spaces will be managed by local partner, PullmanArts.

Type of Units Studio, one- and two-bedroom units

Affordability Units range from 30% to 60% of area median income

Total Development Cost $18.5M

OVERVIEW

“The architecture, urban planning, transportation, labor relations, and social history of the Pullman Historic District have national significance.”

— President Barack Obama, Presidential Proclamation Pullman National Monuments

ANCHORING A HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD

The neighborhood of Pullman is a planned community famed for its urban design and architecture. On February 19, 2015, President Obama visited Chicago’s Historic Pullman District to establish the district as a National Monument within the National Park System. Pullman National Monument tells the story of American opportunity and diversity intertwined with arts and culture and a legacy of significant labor, industrial, social and civil rights issues.

In April 2015, AIA Chicago and the National Parks Conservation Association brought together urban...
planners, architects, landscape architects, engineers, economists and historians to create a plan for development of the Pullman National Monument neighborhood. Pullman Artspace is prominently featured in the vision for that plan titled “Positioning Pullman.”

Through a generous grant from the Richard H. Driehaus Foundation, the development team held an architectural design competition to engage an architectural team that could design a building to honor the history and character of Pullman's landmark community, attract artist from outside the community, create a space that spurs creativity, and integrate the building into the built and human fabric of the community. The Chicago-based firm Stantec won the competition and have been named architects on the Pullman Artspace project.

Stantec's exceptional design for the Pullman Artspace project will meet contemporary needs while referencing and honoring Pullman's legacy as a destination for skilled craftsman, artisans and artists.

The project will be rich with amenities available to all residents, including a large gallery, community work space, and gathering areas, and indoor bike storage.

**PROJECT OVERVIEW**

Pullman Artspace lofts, a mixed-use affordable live/work space for artists and their families, is being developed in partnership with Artspace Projects, Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives, and PullmanArts. The development team has chosen a site located on Langley Avenue, just south of 111th Street, with approximately 18,500 square feet of vacant land book-ended by two historic apartment buildings. It provides the opportunity to integrate historic preservation with new infill construction and create an iconic group of buildings that anchor Pullman's eastern boundary. This is the first new residential housing to be created in the Pullman Historic District in decades.

**PULLMAN TODAY**

The Pullman Artspace Lofts promises to have an impact on the South Side of Chicago through a combination of affordable live/work housing for artists and ample space for local artists and arts organizations.

The Pullman Artspace Lofts will ensure that the arts are integrated into Pullman and the surrounding communities and their economies. Through the grassroots coordination and local leadership of PullmanArts, the space will be programmed to reflect and include artists from the area. The community space in the Pullman Artspace Lofts will provide flexible space, artistic programming, and professional development services both for the artists who live in the building as well as for artists and arts organizations from the entire South Side. Our goal is that this project reflects the far South Side’s rich diversity and encourages artists in their career paths while opening up the arts to new audiences. This is the first new residential housing to be created in the Pullman Historic District in decades.

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