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Mural artwork entries welcomed for Otonabee Memorial Community Centre

Otonabee-South Monaghan Township sprucing up entrance to renovated arena in Keene

KEENE – After two rounds of renovations at the Otonabee Memorial Community Centre, artists have a chance to add their creativity to the arena’s main entrance.

Upgrades at the Keene-based arena began in 2018 and wrapped up in 2024. The project modernized the 1977 facility to meet modern accessibility standards and the community's recreational needs.

Since then, the Parks and Recreation Committee in Otonabee-South Monaghan Township has decided to add a 24-foot by nine-foot mural at the main entrance. It seeks submissions from the public **by Nov. 15**.

Once an original design is chosen, it will be etched onto boards for community members to help paint before it is mounted on the arena’s outer wall in spring 2026. Therefore, participating artists should keep this style in mind when creating and submitting their work.

The contest is open to all individuals – amateur or professional – and groups.

Suggested themes include:

- Recreation or the value of teamwork in sports played within this Township;
- The Indigenous history of this region;
- The landscape or natural history of the Township;
- The history of the communities that now make up the Township.

For a full set of rules and an outline of the project, email OSMMuralProject@gmail.com. A judging committee will choose the main artwork, which must be approved by Township Council.