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CFAC and the City of Cabot Collaborate on Cabot's First Commissioned Mural A Mural on the Old Firehouse Will Promote Community in the Downtown

Cabot, AR: The Cabot Foundation for Arts & Culture (CFAC) today announced a collaboration with the City of Cabot to paint a mural on the Old Firehouse in Cabot's Arts & Entertainment District. This collaboration will further activate the district and attract tourists and visitors into the community.

"As the city progresses into the 21st century, we recognize that Cabot needs to provide more opportunities for their citizens. One of those would be the creation of an art district. We have been working on this art district for some time with CFAC and are very excited to see our first large scale mural going up in the city.," says Ken Kincade, Mayor of Cabot. "This mural will be on our old city hall/firehouse that withstood the tornado of 1976. This site will continue to be a piece of our history and a beginning point for our bright future. I'm looking forward for our community to have a place to visit and enjoy for years to come."

"This grassroots effort is absolutely a true community project for everyone to celebrate," says John Rudd, President of CFAC. "Our arts district began with the Cabot Art Walk, which is a collection of mini-murals from our local artists and students. It's our hope that the newest mural, 'The Postcard', will continue the excitement that was created and will serve as an open invitation to both the families that already live here and those visiting to experience the food and fun that comes with public arts."

This public/private art collaboration will:

- Attract more people (citizens and tourists) downtown
- Provide a space to gather and start conversations
- Boost pride in the community

About CFAC: CFAC is a local, non-profit 501c3 arts organization with a mission of promoting community through the advancement of arts & culture. CFAC recently spearheaded the creation of the Cabot Art Walk – a cohort of 20 volunteer artists who painted mini-murals downtown. The foundation was granted funds for commissioned public murals by the Cabot Advertising and Promotions Commission earlier this year. <u>CabotArt.com</u>