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Franciscan Center clients, MICA students to paint mural

A group of students from the Maryland Institute College of Art will collaborate with clients from the Franciscan Center on Sunday, Aug. 26 from 10 a.m. until noon to create a mural for the Center's entryway. The MICA students are participating in the Urban Plunge, an annual service event for incoming freshmen. MICA also conducts a free art class twice a week during their school semesters.

Designed by local artist Julie Andersen, the mural will be a warm and welcoming addition to the Franciscan Center building, located at 101 West 23rd Street in Baltimore. A couple regular clients from the Franciscan Center who participate in the weekly arts class provided by MICA students will also be at the event to assist in painting the mural to help create their lasting legacy at a place that serves an important role in their lives. The day will be a great opportunity to connect students and the community through art!

The Franciscan Center, founded by the Franciscan Sisters of Baltimore in 1968, is an outreach agency with a mission to provide emergency assistance and supportive outreach to persons who are economically disenfranchised in an effort to assist them in realizing their self-worth and dignity as people of God. The Center provides support to Baltimore City residents including dining services, a clothing and toiletry program, utility assistance, eviction prevention, counseling and case management, access to medical care, and more. All programs are free to those who qualify and are supported and sustained by the Baltimore community residents and businesses.

For more information about the Franciscan Center or if you are interested in volunteering, please call Amy Bachman at (410) 467-5340, Ext. 113 or visit us at www.fcbmore.org.

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