This is an outdoor exhibit/competition comprised of larger-than-life ‘cards’ created by local artists and groups.

- The cards will be displayed in a downtown’s Preston Jackson Park from November 21 to December 30, 2022.
- The community will be invited to vote for their favorite card design and prize money will be awarded to the top three designs.

Eligibility
The Decatur Area Arts Council “Christmas Card Lane” project is open to all artists or groups (amateur or professional) regardless of race, color, religion, gender, age, or physical disability. You do not have to be a Decatur resident to participate.

Application Process and Fee
- [Apply online HERE](#)
- $25 per card, to be submitted with a completed application.
- There are a limited number available... first-come, first-served.

Pick Up and Return of Cards
- Participants may pick up blank ‘cards’ starting Oct. 17 at the Decatur Area Arts Council, 125 N. Water St., Decatur, IL. (Contact DAAC to arrange a date and time for pick up - 217-423-3189 or arts4all@decaturarts.org.)
- Completed cards MUST be return by Nov. 17 to the Decatur Area Arts Council.

The Art Work
- Participants will be provided with a 4’x6’ sheet of plywood (primed with white paint) upon which to create their card design.
- Artists must provide all needed supplies/materials other than of the wooden card.
- All design materials must be secured to the surface in such a way to withstand winter weather and wind.
- Participants are allowed to add elements to the card that create a 3-D effect but must be attached securely to the plywood.
- Designs must be winter holiday themed and suitable for public viewing by all ages.
- Cards must be designed vertically.
- Please note that cards will be placed approximately 20 feet from the street, so keep this in mind when considering small details to your design.
- DAAC reserves the right to not display any card at its discretion.
- Holes will be drilled in the completed cards in order to secure them to the posts needed to support them for display.

Awards
- First prize - $200 / Second prize - $100 / Third prize - $50
- Prize money will be awarded within two weeks of the conclusion of the event.

Voting
The Decatur Area Arts Council will arrange for a temporary online voting page so the community may vote for their favorite card design from November 21 until December 24, 2022.
Decatur Area Arts Council
Christmas Card Lane
Application Form

Submit with $25 fee to:
Decatur Area Arts Council
125 N. Water St.
Decatur, IL 62523

Or sign up online –
www.decaturarts.org/community-arts/Christmas-Card-Lane/

Name/Organization/Team: ____________________________________________________________

Primary Contact: ___________________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________________

City/State: _______________________________ Zip Code: ____________________________

Phone: ___________________________ Website: ____________________________________________

Email: ________________________________

If a Team, please list all members below:

Please attach a short bio about yourself or group to be used on our website.