

25-32) Senior Center Murals - 295 Cherry Lane - Mural Showdown -
 As part of the 2007 Public Art & Mural Symposium held in Manteca, we had an invitational mural competition. Eight North American artists were asked to paint 5' x 8' murals that depicted the bounty of the Central Valley.



"The Harvest Continues" by Jessie Marinas - 1st Place

Clockwise: **"Spoils of Nature"** Colleen Mitchell-Veyna of Tulare, CA - 2nd place;
"Peaches" Ella Yates of Colorado - 3rd place;

"Valley Abundance"

Roger Cook of Sandy River, OR;

"Veggies, Fruits & Nuts, Oh My!"

Colleen Goodwin-Chronister of Salem, OR;

"History of Agriculture in Manteca"

Guillermo Kelly of Manteca;

"Bounty in a Basket"

Brian Romagnoli of Ontario, Canada;

"Backyard Harvest"

June Sand of Ripon, CA.



Manteca Mural Society

Public Art for a Better Community

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Mural Walking Tour



"Manteca Snow" is one of 32 murals in Manteca!

MMS MISSION STATEMENT

Use the visual arts to:

- Build community pride
- Build a cultural bridge between the past, present and future
- Revitalize, improve and enhance the Manteca economy
- Promote tourism

The Manteca Mural Society (MMS) was established in 2002 and is a 501(c)3 non-profit, community-based organization. The MMS is dedicated to bringing large scale public art to the community and has created 32 murals.

Our capstone project is the Veterans Mural Project (VMP), a 5 mural project that salutes the men and women of our community and communities throughout the United States of America for their bravery in wars over the past 100 years.

A map and suggested route is inside, but start where you wish. Downtown is easy to walk. There are many fine businesses you may wish to visit along the way. Enjoy your visit to Manteca by exploring our beautiful murals.

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Veterans Mural Project

This project is one of a kind in the World!

Manteca is a very patriotic city. The Manteca Mural Society's capstone project is the Veterans Mural Project (VMP), located at the epicenter of Manteca at the corner of Main Street and Yosemite Avenue! The VMP is a 5 mural project that salutes the military and civilian men and women who have served our country during WWI, WWII, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and the Global War on Terror. Each mural is an impressive 16' x 20'! Whenever possible, local veterans were pictured in these murals. The VMP was fittingly dedicated on May 19, 2018 to mark the 100th anniversary of the City of Manteca's incorporation and the ending of WWI.



14) "Zero Hour"

Dave Gordon & Ella Yates

May 19, 2018 - When the

Americans entered WWI in 1917, horse cavalry was obsolete, yet the trench bound soldier was still locked in a stalemate at the front. Trench warfare in Europe consisted of long days and nights of inactivity and brutal living conditions. At any moment the enemy could attack on foot, use an artillery barrage, or toxic gas.

15) "Spirit of America"

Colleen Mitchell-Veyna

July 4th, 2015

Like small towns across America, Manteca's participation and support during World War II was astounding! The people pictured were civilians and local veterans from our area. They represent the; Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Merchant Marines, WAVES and women in munitions factories.

16) "The Forgotten War"

Art Mortimer

May 21, 2016

The Korean War was declared June 25, 1950 and is still unresolved. That feeling of frustration still persists for those who fought and those who lived through this war. Alvin Mendes pictured in the lower right photo is the only Mantecan still listed as MIA and he is not forgotten. A memorial plaza is named in his honor at Manteca's VFW Post 6311.

17) "Welcome Home Warriors"

Linda Shrader & Echo Westover

May 20, 2017

This mural honors and welcomes home all veterans who served in Vietnam. It also recognizes the 17 young men from the Manteca area who gave their all. Two hundred and fifty-eight veterans were recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor, including Sammy L. Davis who attended Manteca Union High School.

18) "Eagle Hearts"

Jessie Marinas

November 11, 2013

The artist's inspiration for this mural was the loss of a good friend's son during the Global War on Terror. It depicts a patriotic group of grieving soldiers supporting each other as they mourn the loss of a comrade. These men and women demonstrate solidarity and resolve as they pray for strength, unity and peace.



22) "Cruising Manteca" - DS Gordon - 136 N. Main St. - 14' x 135' - March 2, 2008

This picture shows only a fraction of this huge mural. It's a true "people pleaser" that was designed with input from many of the original Manteca Cruisers. The street scene comes to life with the cars and the people that were Manteca. You can feel the excitement of the young people as they enjoy the interaction of other teens after school, homework, and chores were all completed. Cruising was an important part of the local entertainment. With a tank full of gas and a few friends in the car, you were set for the evening. Dave Gordon painted this mural with help from his artist friends, Ella Yates and Pete Evaristo, and Dave's son, Ben Gordon.



23) "Mossdale Crossing is Now Open"
DS Gordon - 161 E. Yosemite Ave.
15.5' x 64' - October 7, 2018

Most people do not realize that the river crossing just outside Manteca is the final historic link that completed the Transcontinental Railroad! Over 46 community volunteers helped paint this larger-than-life mural. **



19) "Service Above Self" - Don Gray
158 N. Maple St. - 14' x 40' - May 31, 2005
 The Rotary Clubs of Manteca sponsored this mural in recognition of Rotary International's 100th anniversary.



13) "Golden Gateway to Manteca"
Ron Pecchenino - 213 W. Yosemite Ave.
10' x 20' - December 16, 2004
 Our community is located at a crossroads to every part of California, including the City by the Bay.



24) "Sierra's Crown" - Dan Petersen
226 E. Yosemite Ave. - 13' x 17'
February 19, 2005
 Bringing Yosemite Valley to life, the MMS and the City of Manteca partnered together to create the Veterans Plaza at the American Legion Post 249 of Manteca.



8) "Manteca Snow" - DS Gordon & Ella Yates
114 Manteca Ave. - 20' x 36' - October 4, 2009
 The community came out to help paint at the MMS annual event, Mural-in-a-Weekend (MIAW). Feel the joy of children playing in the orchards as almond blossoms float down like snowflakes. **



6 & 7) "Summer Vision" & "Local Motion" - Terri Pasquini
4' x 8' each - July 11, 2006 & August 14, 2007
 These are displayed in Library Park. Designed by the artist and painted by the children of Manteca as part of the annual event "Art in the Park." Truly, art is for all age groups.

10) "Cow-munity Mural"
DS Gordon - 234 W. Yosemite Ave. - 13.5' x 95'
October 2, 2005

Dairy played an important part in our history. Families worked hard to produce the milk that was a foundation to the success of Manteca. **



11) "Free for All"
DS Gordon
120 S. Maple St
17' x 50' - October 8, 2006

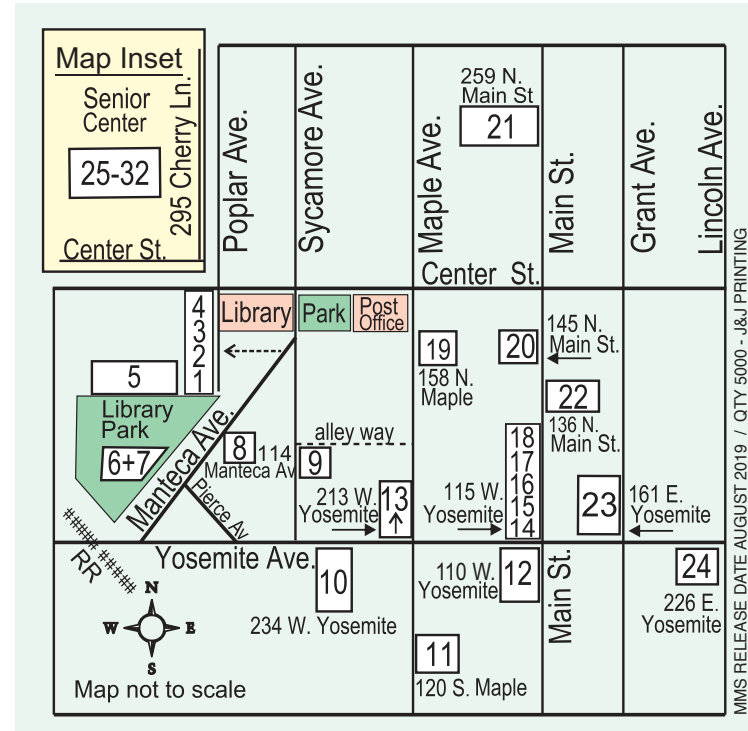
The Kiwanis Clubs of Manteca support and sponsor many programs designed for children. In this rural scene, boys and girls are just having fun for fun's sake! **



12) "Crossroads" - DS Gordon - 110 W Yosemite Ave.
20' x 78' - June 1, 2003

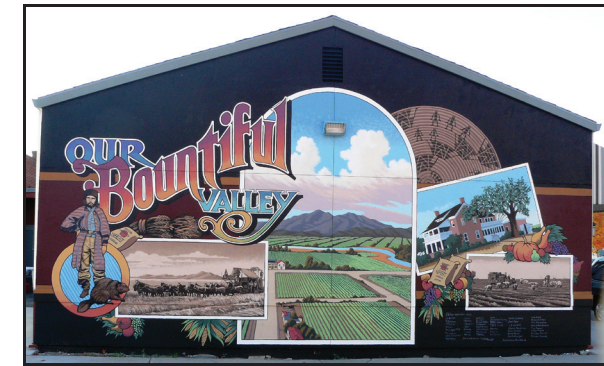
Our first mural depicts the intersection of Main Street and Yosemite Avenue in 1918. It shows a crossroads of Manteca as well as the Central Valley. This was a time of transition from horse power and seasonal rains for crops to automobiles, trains, and irrigation. It was dedicated in conjunction with Manteca's 85th Anniversary celebration.

Map of Manteca's Murals



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9) "Our Bountiful Valley" - Art Mortimer
110 N. Sycamore Ave. - 16' x 30' October 21, 2007
 Muralists from all over the world and community volunteers came out to paint this mural in a single day. This mural depicts some of the actual historical sites in our area. **



Library Park Murals - 133 Manteca Avenue

These five murals were commissioned by the City of Manteca as part of the Library Park expansion. The first four are a History Walk of this land. They are each 7.5' x 32' and were dedicated on April 14, 2012. The final mural is 7.5' x 95' **Last at Bat** memorializes the baseball sand lot that was on this site. The mural project was dedicated on October 7, 2012.

- "Beginnings" - Terri Pasquini** - This is the story of the Creation of Man according to Yokut Indian tradition.
- "Pioneer Spirit" - Jessie Marinas** - Tells of the struggles and rewards of life for the early pioneers in our great San Joaquin Valley.
- "Water Brings Abundance" - Colleen Mitchell-Veyna** - Showing the plentiful harvests produced by the rich soil, hard work and water.
- "Early Industry" - Brain Romagnoli** - Agriculture was the foundation of Manteca's earliest industries.
- "Last at Bat" - DS Gordon** - It's the ninth inning and the home team leads by a run, there are 2 outs, a runner on third and the batter has a 3-2 count.



20) "Pumpkin Harvest" - DS Gordon & Community Volunteers
145 N. Main St. - 14' x 54' - October 3, 2004
 Pitching those pumpkins is hard work! Let 'em fly! **



21) "Our Family City" - Art Mortimer - 259 N. Main St.
11' x 76' - October 3, 2010

Manteca calls itself the "Family City" and this whimsical mural depicts our community focus on the family. **

**** These 7 murals were painted by community volunteers during our Mural-in-a-Weekend (MIAW) under the guidance of a professional muralist.**