

**Proposal: Nancy Thies Marshall Mural
Yankee Ridge Elementary School Gymnasium**



**Nancy Thies Marshall
Gymnasium**
Urbana School District 116 Alumni

Artist: Natalie Bready

I am a second year student working toward BFA degrees in Painting and Art Education at the University of Illinois. My mural experience includes two pieces at my high school in Bloomington, IL, and one in the former Mr. Kyoto restaurant in Champaign. I'm very excited to get to be a part of this – thank you for reaching out!

'Process:

1. I'll clean wall with soap and water;
2. Project the design using a projector;
3. Trace the design with charcoal that will be washed away later;
4. Paint in the colors with color-matched acrylic paints; and
5. Finish by sealing the design with 100% clear acrylic.

Materials List: *(Items listed in red will be provided by the artist.)*

- 2 buckets
- soap and water
- 1 large sponge
- 1 projector
- 1 HDMI cord and extension cords
- laptop and digital image
- tracing charcoal
- scaffolding – 1 structure for the projector to be situated + 1 structure with 2 heights for tracing and painting
- drop cloths
- paintbrushes, roller, paint tray
- cleaning rags
- painter's tape
- 1 gallon 100% clear acrylic
 - for matte finish: <https://www.dickblick.com/items/00618-3039/> *
 - for satin finish: <https://www.dickblick.com/items/00618-3029/> *

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- acrylic paints** *** –
 - ½ gallon blue (blue ring)
 - ½ gallon gold (gold ring)
 - ½ gallon black (black ring and lettering)
 - ½ gallon green (green ring)
 - ½ gallon red (red ring)
 - ½ gallon white (lettering, touch-ups, lightening)
 - ½ gallon peach tone (body)
 - ½ gallon navy (uniform)
 - 1 qt light brown (hair)
 - 1 qt turquoise (upper spiral)

* Product links provided are suggestions and have not been price-checked. Alternative comparable products likely would suffice and can be approved by the artist.

** For greater accuracy, paints should be color-matched from the hardware store. An alternative option is for me to mix the colors from brand colors that can be ordered from this site:

<https://www.dickblick.com/products/blickrylic-student-acrylics/>*

*** It may be advantageous to consider limiting the number of different colors to save expenses. For example, in the mock-up, the blue hairband, blue Olympic ring, blue portion of the American flag on the uniform, and upper spiral are all different shades of blue; but this could be cut to just the standard blue and turquoise.

Timeline:

Once the mural is approved and materials ready, I will need a two-week span to complete the mural. If approved, I could come in to work from mid-afternoon until closing, as well as weekends and/or weekend evenings. I expect this project will require four separate work sessions, allowing for drying time in between (1 - cleaning, projecting, and tracing; 2 - painting; 3 - painting; 4 - applying finish). **Without complications, the project should take about eight to ten hours of work time to complete.** I will be living in the Champaign-Urbana area through the first week of May, then living in Bloomington-Normal until the middle of June.

Compensation:

I request \$15.00 per hour as well as coverage of listed materials.

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