

## **Downtown murals coming together**

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Work has begun on two graphic murals in downtown Lafayette.

Local artist LaDonna Vohar is toiling on the Arts & Market mural, on the side of Bistro 501, facing Fifth Street, between Main and Columbia streets. That mural likely will be done late next week, said Dennis Carson, the city's redevelopment director.

Vohar also is working on a Riverfront district mural, which will face Second Street and Riehle Plaza on the side of Peaceful Greens restaurant on Main Street. That mural is expected to be complete in the next three weeks, Carson said.

Plans still are in the works for murals in West Lafayette's Chauncey Village. Those will go up on the Hilton Garden hotel and the Chauncey Hill Mall Annex.

The murals are part of a larger marketing initiative to promote the downtown area of both cities.

A collaborative effort between the cities, Lafayette-West Lafayette Convention and Visitors Bureau, Lafayette Urban Enterprise Association, Greater Lafayette Commerce and the Downtown Task Force, the initiative is meant to help visitors navigate the area and feel comfortable there, Carson has said.

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