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Call for more creative spaces

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One local artist is raising concerns that much-needed creative spaces are being left out of HRM's 20-year master plan for community facilities. But the project manager for the plan says a specific art and culture initiative will be coming shortly.

Terri Whetstone is an artist, and the executive director of the 4Cs Foundation, which provides grants to individuals and groups to facilitate community-based art projects.

She says she is disappointed that the online survey seeking public input on HRM's Community Facilities Master Plan doesn't specifically mention community arts, and instead focuses on multi-use spaces.

But project manager Betty Lou Killen says that piece warrants its study.

"Our study doesn't have the capacity to evaluate the gaps in art and cultural spaces because we don't have an inventory on what is existing," she said.

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