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## Young Artists To Decorate Franklin Street Windows

**Michigan City, IN** (November 5, 2004) – The Michigan City Mainstreet Association has partnered with local high school artists to bring winter holiday scenes to the windows along north Franklin Street this year.

“The Snowflake Parade travels down Franklin Street, north from 9<sup>th</sup> Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street in front of the Library,” said Mainstreet Association president Ed Kis. “We wanted to make that corridor as exciting as possible during the winter holidays and into the new year, bringing people downtown. We are working with local artists from the high schools who will design holiday and winter scenes and then paint those scenes in storefront windows all along the parade route.”

Mayor Chuck Oberlie said, “Enlivening the downtown storefront windows with creative artwork by our local students is a great example of successful teamwork. Family, friends, neighbors, shoppers and those who come to the parade will see the beautiful designs and talented craftsmanship of our youth.”

Several building owners have already signed up to participate in this project, Kis said, but other may still get their windows on the list of those to be painted. Businesses and building owners along Franklin Street north from 9<sup>th</sup> Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street who would like to offer their windows to the young artists for this project should contact Janet Kostielney via email at [jkostielney@emichigancity.com](mailto:jkostielney@emichigancity.com) or by phone at 219/873-1400 X350.

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