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### [Ribbon Cutting for Title Dedication to Ernest Maier Bladensburg Mural](#)

**Bladensburg, MD-** Ernest Maier and the Hyattsville Community Development Corporation (HCDC) are pleased to introduce a vibrant new mural from Cindy Holden Fletcher in the Town of Bladensburg. The colorful, eye-catching mural depicts the some of the history of Bladensburg, MD: first as a shipping port, as a site of established tobacco markets, and as a critical point of entry to Washington D.C, during the 1812 War with the British army. The mural has a mixture of bright colors that highlight contemporary views, such as the kayakers on the Anacostia River, the Peace Cross on Annapolis Road and the Prince George's Publick Playhouse. The mural also highlights Ernest Maier's unique place within the ecosystem of the Town. What's unique about this mural is that it manifests the area's rich diversity visually and articulates Ernest Maier's mission to build and care for their community and employees.

The project was commissioned by Hyattsville CDC on behalf of Ernest Maier, a Washington Metropolitan area masonry supplier and cement block manufacturer operating out of Bladensburg, MD since 1926. The project is the first in a planned series of creative place-making enhancements to beautify Ernest Maier properties through the community's strategic use of public art. "I am very pleased with Cindy's work because she has captured the enduring essence of Bladensburg. Combining past and present to meld a newer vision of local cultures." Said Stuart Eisenberg, Executive Director of Hyattsville CDC.

The Ernest Maier cinder block company has been a fixture in the community for more than 80 years and wanted to create a mural that celebrates the company's shared history with the Town of Bladensburg. "I want to thank the Hyattsville CDC and Cindy Holden for helping us fulfill our vision of creating this beautiful and multicolor mural that celebrates the history of the Town of Bladensburg. Ernest Maier has been proud to call Bladensburg home for nearly 100 of those years. We welcome the community to come take a selfie with the mural because it's truly magnificent," Brendan Quinn, President and CEO of Ernest Maier.

The mural title will be unveiled at the ribbon-cut ceremony on November 15, 2021, at 2 pm. The Ernest Maier Bladensburg mural is located at 4602 Annapolis Road Bladensburg, Maryland 20710. The artist, Cindy Fletcher Holden, is an experienced muralist with family ties to the neighborhood. "It was an honor to do this mural for Ernest Maier, and I hope to be part of future mural projects in the Town of Bladensburg," Said Cindy. "I am proud of the work I have created for Ernest Maier and the Town of Bladensburg. I think the residents of this town will be able to see the history, community, and celebration of diversity in this spirited municipality."

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**About Ernest Maier:** Since 1926, Ernest Maier has been all about construction. Starting as Washington DC’s best and most trusted masonry block manufacturer. The Ernest Maier family has grown to provide an array of concrete and building solutions to Mid-Atlantic (DC, Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia) contractors, architects, engineers, designers, and homeowners. Operating in these locations under our brands: Bay Ready Mix, Concrete Building Systems, Ernest Maier, Gomoljak, Parker Block, and Skyline Brick. We manufacture and/or distribute aggregates, block, drainage, hardscaping, insulation, masonry, precast concrete, ready mix concrete, steel, tools, and more. [www.ernestmaier.com](http://www.ernestmaier.com)

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