

Granville and Fresno State to open graduate art studio in downtown Fresno

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Graduate Art Studios at M Street, a collaboration of Granville Homes and Fresno State's College of Arts and Humanities.

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- Graduate Art Studios at M Street grand opening

When: 10 a.m. ribbon cutting ceremony and 5 p.m. ArtHope reception, May 7

Where: M Street Arts Complex, 1419 M St., Fresno

Information: www.mstreetarts.com

[Granville Homes](#) and [Fresno State's College of Arts and Humanities](#) have collaborated to create a satellite campus in downtown Fresno for graduate art students, faculty and artists to work side-by-side.

A ribbon cutting will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday to celebrate the opening of the new 6,000-square-foot Graduate Art Studios at M Street in the Mural District. A reception will follow at 5 p.m. during ArtHop festivities.

The space is part of Granville's 22,000-square-foot [M Street Arts Complex](#) at 1419 M St. It includes 15 state-of-the-art working studios for students; a gallery for graduate project exhibitions, visiting artists and juried shows; and a conference room.

The complex, which opened in late 2013, has a collection of galleries and private studios for local working artists.

“I am happy to see Fresno State join the downtown community,” Granville president Darius Assemi said in a news release. “Fresno State adds an exciting dynamic to the ongoing revitalization of downtown Fresno.”