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## With Seven Days of Voting Left, Manitou Springs is Ranked the 4<sup>th</sup> Best Small Town Arts Scene in America

MANITOU SPRINGS CO – Manitou Springs has been nominated as one of the Top 10 Best Small Town Arts Scenes in America by USA Today for three years in a row. The small town at the foot of Pikes Peak ranked 9<sup>th</sup> in 2021, and 5<sup>th</sup> in 2022.

Currently, with voting still open, Manitou Springs is ranked as the 4<sup>th</sup> Best Small Town Arts Scene, and the City of Manitou Springs, Manitou Springs Chamber of Commerce, and Manitou Springs Creative Alliance are asking for you to take the time to vote before the ranking closes on Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup>.

“The vitality of our small town arts scene is hard to beat,” said Creative Alliance Manitou Springs executive director Becca Sickbert. “On any given day, we have lively music performances, gorgeous art exhibitions, terrific galleries and classes, not to mention a town filled with creativity of every kind. There’s a reason we’re a Colorado Creative Industries State-Certified Creative District.”

Voting ends on Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:59am EDT. Manitou Springs supporters can sign up for daily text alerts through June 12 by texting “best” to 844-421-0719.

“It’s an honor for Manitou Springs to be nominated as one of the United States’ best small town arts scenes for three years in a row,” said City of Manitou Springs councilperson Natalie Johnson. “This demonstrates the community’s dedication towards investing in our culture of arts and history.”

To vote, please visit: <https://www.10best.com/awards/travel/best-small-town-arts-scene-2023/manitou-springs-colorado/>

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