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Art in Public Places
ANNUAL REPORT

2024

BENSON SCULPTURE GARDEN

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Public Art Manager



What a tremendous year for public art in 2024 as we added thirteen new artworks to the City's public art collection. Special thanks to the Loveland High Plains Arts Council for the donation of five new sculptures in Benson Sculpture Garden, and to the National Sculpture Guild for the installation of *Trail of Forgiveness* by Denny Haskew. Other annual projects and maintenance took place throughout the year. The Stormwater Inlet Mural Project was a new capital project for 2024, and drew awareness to people's impact on the stormwater system downstream. Additional capital projects included competitions for artwork to be installed at LFRA Fire Stations 7 and 10, the Northern Colorado Regional Airport, and Willow Bend Adaptive Park in 2025.



Forget Me Not by Georgene McGonagle



Strength of the Maker by Denny Haskew



Ridge Runners by Amanda Markel (1 of 3)



Majestic by Robert Larum & Melissa Cooper

Loveland High Plains Arts Council 2024 Donations

In January 2024, the Loveland High Plains Arts Council (LHPAC) presented five sculptures to be donated and placed in Benson Sculpture Garden, marking the 39th year of gracious donations to the public art collection. The artworks were dedicated in the summer of 2024.



Venus by Bruce Gueswel

DONATIONS

Trail of Forgiveness is another generous donation made by the Council of Catholic Women in the fall of 2023. This sculpture was installed at the Police & Courts Building in September 2024.



Trail of Forgiveness by Denny Haskew

The installation of *Dandelion* was postponed due to Madison Avenue Roundabout project delays. This 18 foot tall sculpture will be installed late spring or early summer 2025.



Dandelion by Karen Cusolito

Nest Rayito was purchased during the Governor's Invitational Show and Sale at the Loveland Museum in the spring of 2024.



Nest Rayito by Elaine St. Louis

PURCHASES

The Visual Arts Commission also made several direct purchases and commissions throughout the year, bringing the total number of artworks in the collection to 581.



Captive Cottonwoods by Hollis Williford



Fish Creek by Hollis Williford

Loveland Art in Public Places purchased four oil paintings by Hollis Williford from a private collector. These paintings will be on display in City buildings in 2025.



Cactus by Hollis Williford



Jack Rabbit Buffet by Hollis Williford

The Art Advocacy Project

TAAP 2D

AIPP annual projects brought new artwork by local artists and poets to the Library Galleria with the 2024-2025 TAAP 2D installation.

A hearty "thank you" to the 2024 TAAP 2D artists and poets who generously loaned their artwork for display in the Loveland Library's Main Galleria. Their art and poetry engaged our senses and enriched our lives.



Blissful by Alice Thompson



Spring Branch & Shadows by Kate German

SYNERGY

Images and the Spoken Word



Sunset Solitude by Julie Adams



Smile! by Desiree K Luca



Tuesday . . . by Becky Hawley



RMNP Nymph Lake by David Simms



The Sky is Crying by Jessica Marshall

2024 Featured TAAP 2D Artist & Poets

Julie Adams, Kate German, Marj Hahne, Becky Hawley, Desiree K Luca, Jessica Marshall, Lynne McNamara, Erin Robertson, Tiffany Miller Russell, Belle Schmidt, David Simms, Valerie Szarek, Alice Thompson, Kathryn Winograd, Lorrie Wolfe, and Lisa Zimmerman.

2022 - 2024 TAAP 3D Project

TAAP 3D sculptures were de-installed from the 4th Street display in anticipation of the 2025-2026 HIP Streets renovation project. We look forward to continuing this project in 2027.



Sweet Oasis by Tiffany Miller Russell

Stormwater Inlet Project

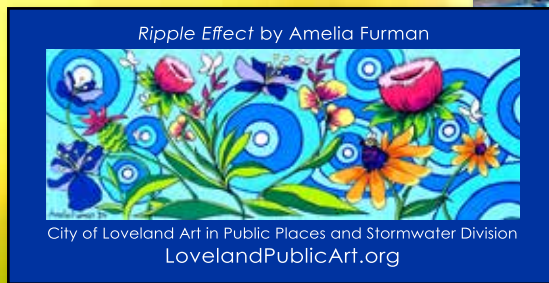
The City's Stormwater Division proposed AIPP develop a pilot program to increase public awareness of the stormwater drains downtown. Five vibrant designs were selected in the late fall. Three artists painted locations along 5th Street before the cold weather arrived. Two additional murals will be painted in the late summer of 2025.



Making the Natural World Fun by Tristin Hammel



Turtle by Julie Young



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Northern Colorado Regional Airport: Daryl Thetford Murals. Artist Daryl Thetford was selected to create four large-scale murals near the security area in the new airport terminal. These colorful and playful depictions of aviation and local sites create memorable visions of the front range. Installation is expected late summer 2025.



To Build A Better Airport by Daryl Thetford

Northern Colorado Regional Airport: Suspended Artwork. Three artists were selected in late 2024 to present design concepts for the passenger waiting area in the new terminal. The selected artwork was chosen in the winter of 2025 and is planned for installation in late fall.



Where Do You Want to Go by Daryl Thetford

Fire Stations 7 and 10 Sculptures: Two local sculptors were awarded commissions for Fire Stations 7 and 10 for the Loveland Fire and Rescue Authority. The artists are in the fabrication stages of their respective projects.



Fire Station 7 Artwork by James Lynxwiler
(Conceptual Drawing)

Fire Station 7 Artwork – James Lynxwiler Installation for Fire Station 7 is expected in the late spring or summer of 2025.
Fire Station 10: *The Call to Serve* by Austin Weishel is expected by the end of 2025.

Willow Bend Adaptive Park: An artist competition was posted for the Willow Bend Adaptive Park which was under construction during the summer and fall of 2024. Finalists for this project will be determined in the winter of 2025.

STATISTICS

581

Total Number of Pieces In the Public Art Collection

\$12.9

Million Estimated Value of the Collection

320

Pieces of Artwork Receiving Maintenance in 2024

561

Artist Juried for Art in Public Places Projects in 2024

364

Loveland Artists in the Collection

\$10K

Mural Grant Funding for 2024

13

New Pieces of Artwork Acquired in 2024

192

Donations from LHPAC for Benson Sculpture Garden

TOURS

Art by Bike, Art by Foot and the Colorado Municipal League: Five public art tours were held in the spring and summer. Locations included Benson Sculpture Garden, Mehaffey Park, Fairgrounds Park, downtown Loveland, and local art studios.



MAINTENANCE

Annual maintenance remains a significant budget line item. Sculpture Services of Colorado maintained the majority of the collection, including graffiti removal on several murals. Pacific Coast Conservation completed special treatments for several stone sculptures, and Larsen Engineering completed structural assessments.



GRANTS

Art in Public Places collaborated with the Thompson Valley Art League on the design and fabrication of *Reflections*, a large-scale 3-sided mural that transformed the building into a work of art. AIPP Mural Grant: \$10,000 plus \$3,500 competition payments.

2024 Visual Arts Commission Members

Susan Atwater, Chairman
 Bruce Gueswel
 Greg Hoff
 Maryjo Morgan
 Madison Polansky
 Abbie Powers
 Margie Rosborough
 Amy Vialpando
 Jade Windell

Staff & City Council Liaison

Susan Ison
Cultural Services Director
 Suzanne Janssen
Public Art Manager
 Angela Canada Hopkins
Administrative Support I
 Mayor Jacki Marsh
City Council Liaison

Reflections by Muralist Adden Joule





Reflections by Adden Joule (Detail)

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