

## April - May 2014 Staff Reports and Project Updates

- 140 West Art Area I & II Project Updates

Exhale has a non-functioning solider valve which is not affecting its operation, but is putting stress on the pump. A part has been ordered and it should be repaired soon. The every Friday evening plaza event series continues until June 27<sup>th</sup>. A special children's summer festival will be held on Jun 21<sup>st</sup>.(flyer)

- Library % for Art Project

A contract is being negotiated with Erik Carlson, the selected artist for his interactive video project for the main interior artwork. Dan Cefalo is working with the Library on raising funds to purchase four Frahm animal sculptures for the Library rear plaza.

- Banned Book Project

The Public Arts office is again partnering with the Library to offer artists an opportunity to submit designs for posters advertising Banned Book Week at the Library In mid-September. 8 artists (including 1 youth) will each receive \$100 for their winning designs.

- Library Art Trail

Tom Grubb installed a 63 ft. high rope and bamboo sculpture for the green space next to the library at the top of the library trail on April 30. The installation will remain on display for at least a year.

- Arts & Entertainment District

Reports by UNC students and UNC intern working on this project were made be made to CHPAC on 4/9/14. A shortened report was presented to The Downtown Partnership Board on 4/10/14 and a public meeting was held 4/25 to hear the results of the students' and intern's research. Those presentations and data are available on the Public Arts web pages.

- Community Clay Studio

Summer classes and camps are registered to capacity save for one seat, with 105 participants and 15 waitlisted. After instructor pay and supplies, approximately \$6,000 is expected in profit.

- Downtown Art Program

Storefront installations by the following artists debuted on 3/14/14 and will last into August - Gracelee Lawrence at the Yates Building, Carter Hubbard at Bruegger's Bagels, Helen Seebold at GleeKids, and Becky Joye at Walgreens. The Downtown Partnership coordinates payments, installation, publicity and other aspects of this program.

- Umstead Park Playground Surface Project

The Umstead Playground with an artist-designed poured in place fall surface project was completed opened to the public on 2/12/14. The artist, Mary Carter Taub worked in conjunction with contractor to draw the design and then refine the design details as the surface was being poured. It looks great!

- Veteran Memorial for Chapel Hill Cemetery Project

The Vets Memorial Committee will meet on 6/17. A CHPAC representative is still needed for this committee.

### **Committee Reports**

- Sculpture Visions/Juried Exhibitions Series

Most SV 2013-14 sculptures have been de-installed; all will be out by July when the SV 2014-15 sculptures will be installed (contracts and scheduling being done now). Chapel Hill artist and UNC alumnus William Paul Thomas is exhibiting his large scale portraits this summer in the Library exhibition space until September 12.

- Permanent Collection

The bronze sculpture, *Once Upon a Time*, aka the Little Girl Reading was cleaned and returned to the Library from storage. Another found object sculpture, titled *Sharing an Education*, which has also been placed in storage when the Library closed for construction will also be returned and sited along the Library Sculpture Trail.

- Collection Development

Steve Wright has completed a collection policy and collection inspection form to use to keep the public art collection maintained and conserved when needed.

- Artist in School Residency

Mark Elliott's, student- designed sculpture *Three Birds* was dedicated at Phillip's Middle School to cheers from students, faculty, administration and parents on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. The project received good press coverage. The sculpture was a result of a residency at Phillips Middle School. Photos of the residency were first shown in an exhibition at FRANK Gallery on 4/27 attended by the students, parents and guests. .

- Into the Streets: Community Art Project (CAP)

Barbara Tyroler, a Chapel Hill completed photographing special needs students at the aquatic center. Those photos were displayed as part of Autism Awareness Month at the Library from 4/8 -4/29. Those and other photos will form the basis for a permanent display of 12 30"x40" photo panels on the Atrium walls of the Aquatic Center to be installed on 6/23. A meet the artist reception will be held on June 28<sup>th</sup>.