

## ART IN PUBLIC PLACES BOARD 2008 WORK PLAN

### ***Introduction:***

The Art in Public Places Program (APP) was reauthorized in April of 1998. The APP Board will continue to advise City Council on projects and programs relating to public art, design and aesthetics.

### ***Range of Activities Planned for 2008:***

#### **Activities**

- Participate with the Council review of the APP Program.
- Select and create an APP project with a prominent Old Town location.
- Promote the APP collection and Fort Collins as a unique destination.
- The APP Program will continue to develop Utility projects that support the goals of the Utility Department
- Review and make recommendations to City Council on all APP projects and donations.
- Advise and make recommendations for changes to rules, regulations, guidelines, policy, administrative, and budgetary matters pertaining to the APP Program.
- Continue to provide public art consulting for local private businesses.
- Continue to maintain the APP website.
- Continue to review donations of artwork to the city.
- Continue to maintain the APP art collection.

#### **Design Consultant Projects**

The APP Board currently has a juried list of 10 visual artists on the city's Design Consultant Resource List. These Design Consultants work with city departments and design teams to integrate art into city construction projects.

#### **1% Projects**

These projects are usually developed in conjunction with a larger construction project and the art project timeline coincides with the construction timeline. Therefore, the APP art project could be delayed if the construction project is delayed. All these projects have an artist working with the project design team to develop concepts that meet the goals of the project.

The APP Board currently has nine 1% projects (city construction projects with budgets over \$250,000). The projects are listed in order of project budget amount. The largest art budget is listed first.

The APP Program is working with artist Robert Tully and the project team on concepts for the **Pickle Plant** site. This project team is developing a concept that creates a gateway into Old Town, reflects the historical significance of the site and highlights renewable energy.

The APP Program is working with the **S.E. Branch Library** team and artist Barbara Baer on concepts for this site. The artist will present final designs to the APP Board and City Council for final approval.

The City Engineering Department presented the **Harmony Road** project to the APP Board. The APP program is in the process of selecting an artist for this new project.

The Advanced Planning Department had previously met with the APP Board to outline the various gateways to the city and options to work together as a team. For the **North College Entryway**, artist Howard Kalish was selected from an open competition. With collaboration from DDA, the artist will start meeting with the project team in the near future.

The APP Program has just completed six new **Transformer Cabinet Mural** sites in the Old Town area. To continue to help mitigate the graffiti on these cabinets, APP along with the Light & Power Department will continue to prioritize sites for future mural projects. The next phase of this project will create a process for Fort Collins community members to submit mural proposals.

**Soapstone Prairie Natural Area** project team has selected artist Robert Tully from the APP pre-approved list of artists. The artist will visit the site and start meeting with the team to develop concepts for the artwork.

A city engineer presented ideas for projects that could be incorporated into city sidewalks. The board recommended an open competition to solicit drawings from Fort Collins students ages 3-18. The APP program is advertising the **2008 Pedestrian Paver** competition and will select drawings in early 2008. Up to 15 designs will be selected and be sandblasted into granite pavers. This will be the sixth competition for this program.

The Park Planning Department presented the **Case Park** project to the APP Board. The selected artist Jim Lynxwiler will fabricate and install his sculptural elements at the park in 2008.

The Park Planning and Development Department brought to the board information on **Harmony Park II** in Southeast Fort Collins. The project team selected artist Jim Lynxwiler from the pre-approved Design Consultant Resource List. This artist is working on phase II of this project and will complete the tile work on the entryway art feature in 2008.

#### **Potential New Projects in 2008**

- Discovery Center/Museum Project
- Mason St.
- Hatch Cover Project
- Old Town Project
- Registry Ridge Park
- Provencetown Park