



“Course,” one of the Terralogue Totems by Mark Lechlitter along the Lincoln Corridor, is located on the Poudre Bridge



Ringfall by artists Todd Kundla and Tim Upham located near the Timberline and Prospect Intersection



One of Robert Tully’s nest-like sculptures in the median near the College and Prospect Intersection

**CITY OF FORT COLLINS
ART IN PUBLIC PLACES BOARD
2018 WORK PLAN
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Purpose:

The City recognizes that art is vitally important to the quality of life in the community. Art in Public Places (APP) program is intended to:

- Encourage and enhance artistic expression and appreciation.
- Add value to the Fort Collins community through acquiring, exhibiting, and maintaining public art.

Goals:

The principal goals of the APP program are to:

- (1) Enrich the public environment for both residents and visitors through the visual arts.
- (2) Increase public access to works of art.
- (3) Promote understanding and awareness of the visual arts in the public environment.
- (4) Promote a variety of artistic expression in the community.
- (5) Contribute to the community’s civic pride in its cultural diversity.

The APP artist collaborates with the project design team early in the process to integrate the art concepts with the project goals. This collaborative approach is a model for public art programs across the country.

APP Board and Program in 2018:

- Advise City Council on projects and programs relating to public art, design, education, and aesthetics.
- Review and make recommendations to City Council on all APP projects and city art donations.
- Review the APP art collection to consider de-accession for specific pieces.
- Promote the program with the APP website, newsletters, social media, and project maps.
- Share best practices with other local and national agencies on the APP processes and projects.

Current and Ongoing Projects:

Twenty-six projects are currently in progress or are annual projects. These projects are usually developed in conjunction with a larger construction project so the art project timeline coincides with the construction timeline. All these projects have an artist working with the City project design team to develop concepts that meet the goals of the project.

Current Projects:

- Avery Park
- College and Horsetooth Intersection
- Crescent Park
- Downtown Restroom
- Downtown Transit Bike Shelter
- Downtown Trash Enclosure
- Dragonfly’s Lair
- Foothills Activity Center
- Foothills Underpass
- Fort Collins Museum of Discovery
- Fossil Creek Trail
- Gardens on Spring Creek Butterfly Pavilion
- Gardens on Spring Creek Great Lawn
- Lincoln Corridor
- McMurry Bridge
- Mulberry Gateway Project
- Northside Neighborhood
- Poudre River White Water Park
- Riverside Bridge Replacement
- Utility Scavenger Hunt
- Walk and Wheel Skills Hub
- Water Reclamation Facility
- West Elizabeth Underpass

Annual Projects:

- Pedestrian Pavers
- Pianos About Town
- Transformer Cabinet Murals

Upcoming Projects:

- Enhanced Bike Lanes
- Neighborhood Parks
- Street Improvement Projects
- Willow Street Plaza

The APP goals, projects, and Work Plan align with the City of Fort Collins seven key outcome areas:

Community and Neighborhood Livability

APP has many art projects that enhance the community and improve neighborhood livability.

- The APP program transforms utility cabinets that have been tagged with graffiti into works of art by local artists, helping to create pedestrian friendly environments.
- Artist-painted pianos and youth-designed pedestrian pavers have become part of our everyday environments.
- APP collaborates with the Park Planning Department adding art into neighborhood and community parks to engage the public.

Culture and Recreation

APP partners with City Parks, Recreation, and cultural entities to integrate artwork throughout Fort Collins.

- APP is currently working with project teams on art projects for multiple parks.
- APP provides self-guided tour maps, including lunchtime walking tours, art in the parks, transformer cabinet murals, and pedestrian pavers, on the APP website, and at the Lincoln Center and Visit Fort Collins.

Economic Health

APP art projects help create the highly desirable quality of life that draws businesses and employees to Fort Collins further stimulating the economy.

- APP will continue partnering with: Bohemian Foundation, Colorado State University, Downtown Business Association, Downtown Development Authority, Fort Collins Museum of Discovery, Poudre School District, Poudre River Library District, and Visit Fort Collins.
- APP uses a competitive process to select an artist to work with project teams at the beginning stages of projects to develop collaborative, integrated solutions, enhancing the final project.
- APP contracts with local artists and fabricators.

Environmental Health

Art promotes and enhances a sustainable environment.

- APP works with Utilities, creating art projects with an educational Utility message. watershed, and water conservation. This includes Dragonfly's Lair and the upcoming scavenger hunt project.
- APP worked with the Downtown Trash Enclosure drawing attention to and promoting recycling through art as well as serving to mitigate graffiti.

High Performing Government

Through innovation, efficiency, and transparency the APP program effectively collaborates with the community and other city departments.

- APP started the country's first graffiti abatement transformer cabinet mural program. It is now a model used across the country.
- The APP Board advises and recommends changes to rules, regulations, guidelines, policy, administrative, and budgetary matters pertaining to the APP Program.

Safe Community

Art educates the community and creates safe environments. APP projects include:

- Artwork that helps identify crosswalks or bike lanes—highlighting safety barriers.



Artist Todd Kundla created this sculpture for the trash enclosure in the Oak and Remington Parking Lot. It is made from repurposed fencing and uses arrows and a phoenix to reference the recycling that goes on inside the enclosure.

- Recently APP worked with FC Bikes and Fort Collins Natural Areas to add artwork to the roundabout in the new Walk and Wheel Skills Hub. Through this pilot program we are also working on ideas for creative wayfinding for the Natural Areas Program.

Transportation

APP artists create the site-specific art that enhance the mobility and safety experience; support the function and goals of the transportation corridors; and create gateways into the City.

- APP artists will continue working on transportation projects, including:
 - * Mulberry Gateway
 - * College and Horsetooth Intersection