



September 2011 News Briefs

Brief items from the past month related to public art in Florida from the Florida Association of Public Art Professionals (FAPAP)

NATION

Here's an article that starts with some of Broward's public art in its list of inspirational art in the nation: [The glory of public art](http://www.salon.com/entertainment/tv/public_art/index.html?story=/ent/tv/feature/2011/08/04/public_art) Inspiring pieces from local "Percent for Art" programs -- from Florida's "flying saucers" to Roanoke's giant comb.

http://www.salon.com/entertainment/tv/public_art/index.html?story=/ent/tv/feature/2011/08/04/public_art

FLORIDA



1) Florida has not had a representative on the national Public Art Network (PAN) Council for a few years. Two Floridians submitted their names last year and split the vote so that neither made it to the ballot. FAPAP would like to endorse a Florida candidate and campaign to have that person selected for the PAN Council. If **YOU** are interested please send:

- a) brief bio of Public Art experience
- b) a statement of why you would represent Florida well on the Council
- c) a statement of what you might bring to the PAN Council

Send to Terry.Olson@ocfl.net by October 1, 2011.

2) FAPAP will be presenting a session about Public Art at the Florida Association of Museums conference in Tampa on September 22.

3) A list of 44 "art walks" in Florida is attached. Nearly 55% of them happen on Friday evenings and 29% on Saturdays (includes 2 that are both Friday and Saturday), 4% on Wednesday and 3% on Thursday.

CORAL GABLES

Started a dedicated Trolley for their Gallery Night. An orange paintbrush identifies the new **Gallery Night Trolley**, which along with the regular Trolley line, loops between participating galleries and art venues. Previously Gallery Nights featured a limited Trolley route along Ponce de Leon Boulevard that has now has been expanded to include additional art venues.

DAYTONA



Orlando sculptor Peter Forster is completing "Pathways to Flight" a 25 foot high, 26 foot wide and 20 foot deep stainless steel sculpture as the center piece for the new Hagadorn Aviation complex at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University with dedication set for Sept. 9 (see "Events" below)

FT. MEYERS

Barbara Hill is a contributing writer to a recently published book on the most recent public art project, Parallel Park and its artist Marylyn Dintenfass.

http://www.artdaily.com/index.asp?int_sec=2&int_new=50049

JACKSONVILLE

An artist-led initiative, Art in Strange Places Pop-up Gallery worked with Christie Holechek of Art in Public Places to allow art, placed in a city park for the annual 1st Wednesday Art Walk, to remain in the park for the entire month. Here's an article about it:

<http://beonespark.com/features/view/art-in-strange-places-pop-up-gallery-points-to-innovation-tipping-point>



ORLANDO



- A new sculpture commissioned by Michael Mennello has been installed on the public grounds of the Mennello Museum of American Art. The 18 foot tall sculpture by John Wolfe, titled *L'homme* is a companion piece to the previously commissioned *Grande Dame* which is also on the grounds of the city of Orlando-owned museum.



- A 26 foot abstract sculpture titled "Hermes Gate", commissioned by the Art in State Buildings program at the University of Central Florida has been installed at the Recreation and Wellness Center on campus. Fifty-nine year old, Indiana artist Dale Enochs sculpted the metaphorical piece from Indiana Limestone, powder coated steel and gold leaf.

SAFETY HARBOR

The City's Public Art Committee has developed a Free Art Friday similar to a project in Dublin, Ireland and also one in Pinellas. On the selected Friday, there are little pieces of art hidden around town with a tag saying "Free Art" indicating that the finder is welcome to keep the piece. There is a web site where they can report their find, leave a photo and comments about what they think of the art and what they plan to do with it.

<http://www.baynews9.com/article/news/2011/june/269573/Coming-Fridays:-Hidden-treasures-in-Safety-Harbor>

SOUTH FLORIDA



South Florida's refurbished and polished up website is now up and running with a GIS map being used to help pinpoint the best places for EcoArt education and artist apprenticeships.

<http://ecoartsofla.org/2011/07/20/ecoart-hotspots/>

CALLS FOR ARTISTS

Broward



Susan B. Katz Theater
Front View with Sidewalks

Florida artist or artist team to create integrated mosaic tile artwork for the entryway to the Susan B. Katz Theater sited within the Pembroke Pines River of Grass (ROG) ArtsPark. The Application Deadline is Friday, SEPTEMBER 23, 2011, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST). The project budget is up to \$90,000. Information: [Lisa Lopez](#), Public Art & Design assistant at 954-357-6705.

<http://www.broward.org/Arts/PublicArt/Pages/calls.aspx>.

Florida's Art in State Buildings (ASB) Program

[The Pinellas County Health Department in Largo](#) Budget: \$35,000. Deadline: Friday, October 7, 2011. Information: ASB Program Administrator, Lee Modica, at lmodica@dos.state.fl.us or (850) 294-5445.

[The School of International & Public Affairs at Florida International University](#) Budget: \$80,000. Deadline: Monday, October 31, 2011. Information: Alexander Garcia at aogarcia@fiu.edu.

The art selection committees for the projects are interested in commissioning site-specific work and/or purchasing existing artwork. Follow the link to the [ASB Call to Artists website](#) for information on how to enter the projects as well as links to descriptions of each project's potential artwork sites.

Gainesville

City of Gainesville is soliciting Florida artists for two fire Station projects, each at \$12,000. Deadline for submitting qualifications is September 26, 2011. Information can be found at www.gvlculturalaffairs.org

Boynton Beach



A \$14,000 commission is available for a “Functional Clock Tower public art feature in Boynton Lakes Plaza. Qualification submission deadline is Sept 8. Information can be found at [http://www.boynton-beach.org/government/departments/public art/call to art ist/](http://www.boynton-beach.org/government/departments/public_art/call_to_artist/)

EVENTS

Sept 9, 9-10 am: Dedication of “Pathways to Flight” at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, 600 S Clyde Morris Blvd, Daytona Beach.

PLEASE LET US KNOW

Let us know about any public art related news from your area – new art work, loss of art work, press or legislation affecting the arts, new personnel, etc. Send news of the month to Terry.Olson@ocfl.net by the 1st of the following month.

www.FloridaPublicArt.org