



MAYOR'S OFFICE OF  
**CULTURAL  
AFFAIRS**

**FY17 Civic Art Activity Report**

September 27, 2017

## Introduction

The Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs (MOCA) advances the Mayor's cultural priorities through the City's programs, partnerships and communications. It is the point of contact for many of the City's cultural strategies and implements the City's Arts and Cultural Plan, which was developed in coordination with the City's first General Plan. It highlights the local artist workforce through exhibitions in historic City Hall, oversees contracts for grants and cultural services and manages the City's Civic Art Program. MOCA also facilitates temporary art, art donations to the City Collection, community murals and special projects.



MOCA's new logo embodies our values and echos the vision of the cultural plan to foster an environment in which art and culture flourish for the sharing and benefit of all residents and visitors. The basket weave represents the inclusivity of Houston and MOCA's programming while referencing the kinetic energy of steam billowing from a train in motion. The earth tones in the palette of the weave represent Houston's diversity, which are woven together with jewel tones to illustrate Houston's vibrant and inclusive arts sector. The combination of the train and the weave hints at the integral relationship of Houston's industrial and arts sectors.

This annual report sets out the prior year's Civic Art Program activities and financial report. Budgets referenced in the project summaries are for the entire term of the project and likely encompass more than one year.

The Civic Art Program is just one way the City invests in the cultural development of our community. Find out more about MOCA programs and activities at [www.houstontx.gov/culturalaffairs](http://www.houstontx.gov/culturalaffairs) and [www.facebook.com/HoustonMOCA](https://www.facebook.com/HoustonMOCA).

## Civic Art Program – Fiscal Year 2017 Activity Report

The Civic Art Program is part of the City’s capital asset investments and produces permanent visual artworks.

The City’s Civic Art Ordinance appropriates 1.75 percent of design and construction costs on qualifying City Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) projects. The CIP is an annually updated five-year plan addressing the infrastructure needs of the City of Houston. Civic Art projects are generated through the CIP by nearly every City department, typically as part of the construction of new facilities and major expansion. The Civic Art appropriation is an amount equal to 1.75 percent of the amount appropriated by City Council for an eligible project and only applies to capital projects where funds are appropriated by City Council.

Civic Art Projects include paintings, murals, prints, drawings, photographs, videos, films, decorations, stained glass, statues, sculptures, monuments, fountains, arches or other structures of permanent character located on City property. Civic Art funds may also be used to restore existing art, but cannot be used for routine cleaning and maintenance.

In September 2016, MOCA completed an [evaluation](#) of the Civic Art Program which can be found on the MOCA section of the City website.

Fiscal Year 2017 yielded a total of 51 projects which include commissioned artworks, donated artworks and conservation projects. Project management was carried out under contract by Houston Arts Alliance (HAA). The summary of activity is as follows:

<b>Type</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Volume</b>
Commission	Completed	9
	In Progress	9
	<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>18</i>
Conservation	Completed	14
	In Progress	8
	Initiated	9
	<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>31</i>
Donation	Completed	1
	In Progress	1
	<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>2</i>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>51</b>

The 51 projects include activity with various City Departments and six City Council Districts (A, B, C, D, H and I) with one project being an Art Recycle Truck whose route varies throughout multiple districts. The breakdown by department is as follows:

<b>Department</b>	<b>Volume</b>
ARA	1
Gen. Govrn.	1
HAS	23
HFC	2
HHD	2
HPARD	13
HPD	2
HPL	3
PWE	2
SWMD	1
TBD	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>51</b>

# FY17 Commissions and Donations



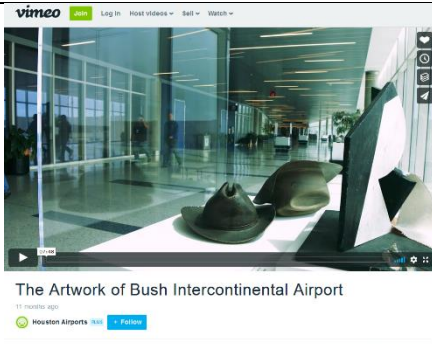
**The Garden Tapestries<sup>1</sup>**  
 Artist: Celan Bouilett  
 ARA  
 Allen Parkway  
 District C  
 In progress  
 Budget: \$13,450 by ARA and District C

Commission of ten artist-designed wraps for parking meters between Taft and Downtown by Houston-based artist, Celan Bouilett. Inspired by travel, textiles and the location of the meters the designs for the parking meters incorporate natural elements from the Buffalo Bayou Park—plants, animals, and rocks—into patterns resembling contemporary tapestries.



**Moon Shadow**  
 Artist: Joe Havel  
 HAS  
 Hobby Airport  
 District I  
 In Progress  
 Budget: \$63,412

Acquisition of work for Hobby Airport and construction of a pedestal.

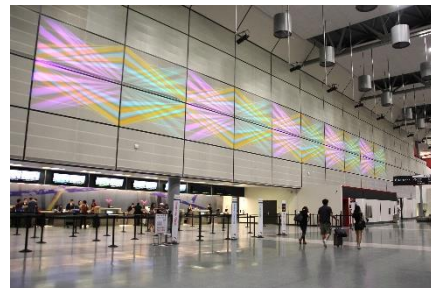


**IAH Portable Works Video**  
 Artist: Brandon Ray  
 HAS  
 Intercontinental Airport  
 District B  
 Completed  
 Budget: \$14,000

Commissioned video on the Portable Works Collection at IAH.  
<https://vimeo.com/188034019>



**Candyland Landing & Celestial Candyland**  
 Artist: Jay Shinn  
 HAS  
 Intercontinental Airport  
 District B  
 Completed  
 Budget: \$600,000



Two site-specific works combine two-dimensional geometric patterns on the wall superimposed with a slow tempo of choreographed, color-changing pattern projections. The resulting “moiré effect” is a visual perception that occurs from the offset patterns, producing interesting and beautiful illusions from the shifting layers.

<sup>1</sup> Note: Three Art Parking Meters damaged due to Hurricane Harvey



**Howl**

Artist: Luis Jimenez  
HAS  
Hobby Airport  
District I  
Completed  
Budget: \$73,622

Acquisition of 1987 sculpture edition by the late New Mexico-based artist, Luis Jimenez, and fabrication of custom pedestal. After seeing an injured coyote on the side of the road the artist began to think of the animal as a symbol of determination and a progression of works combined the image of the coyote with that of the endangered Mexican wolf. The howling canine shows fortitude and resilience in the

face of possible extinction.



**the curse reversed**

Artist: Alex Goss  
HAS  
Hobby Airport  
District I  
Completed  
Budget: \$2,255

Acquisition of works by this Houston-based artist, installation at the airport. Fabrication of display case.



**Soaring in the Clouds**

Artist: Ed Wilson  
HFC  
GRB Convention Center  
District I  
Completed  
Budget: \$830,000

*Soaring In The Clouds* is the central artwork that hangs in the GRB atrium. The atrium is 90' high, while the artwork is 67' high and includes programmable theater lighting. The lighting of the piece at night provides a dramatic view from Discovery Green Park. Installation and dedication were in fall 2016.



**Pleasantville (working title)**

Artist: Marsha Dorsey-Outlaw  
HPARD  
Judson Robinson Sr. Community Center  
District B  
In Progress  
Budget: \$73,000

Marsha Dorsey-Outlaw, Houston-based artist, was selected to create a tile mural in the entryway of a community center located in Pleasantville. The work is being developed in collaboration with local community members and students. Anticipated completion is November 2017.

**Exterior Sculpture (title TBD)**

Artist: Karyn Rolstad  
HPD  
Southwest Police Station  
District K  
In Progress  
Budget: \$207,940

Artist selection and start of fabrication. 60 tree-like sculptures creating a gateway artwork into the facility and parking lot.

**Interior Artwork (title TBD)**

Artist: TBD  
HPD  
Southwest Police Station  
District K  
In Progress  
Budget: \$50,000

Open call for artist selection started in FY17



**Books of a Feather**

Artist: Dixie Friend Gay  
HPL  
Young Neighborhood Library  
District D  
In Progress  
Budget: \$200,000

Commission of outdoor sculpture consisting of three large scale birds made of steel and concrete ranging in size from 12 to 15 feet, covered with multi-colored tiles that shimmer and sparkle when caught by the light, as well as hand-made tiles stamped with

book titles that include words associated with birds and flight. The sculpture draws parallels between the physical flight of birds and the flights of imagination found in books.



**Houston Oracle in Two Parts**

Artist: Stephen Kornes  
PWE  
Bagby Underpass  
District I  
Completed  
Budget: 400,000

The Houston Oracle in Two Parts by sculptor Stephen Kornes honors the City's history while also improving the pedestrian experience in the downtown Theater District. Kornes used photographs, video, sound, reclaimed materials and special lighting to turn the underpass into a multimedia work of art. Like the artist's signature Lunar Lighting project along Buffalo Bayou, the lighting for this new artwork changes nightly with the lunar cycle.



**Down Periscope**  
 Artist: Donald Lipski  
 PWE  
 Buffalo Bayou Park  
 District C  
 Completed  
 Budget: \$383,000

Fabrication and installation of periscope to view the Cistern at Buffalo Bayou Park

and metal trellis covered with jasmine.



**Art Recycle Truck**  
 Artist: Iva Kinnard  
 SWMD  
 Various Locations/Routes  
 Various Districts  
 Completed  
 Budget: \$10,900

Houston-based artist Iva Kinnard's *Wet Cement* art wrap on a recycling truck transforms the vehicle into mobile artwork bringing public art into neighborhoods and sparking awareness and participation in the City's recycling program.



**Central Market Houston**  
 Artist: Brendan O'Connell  
 HAS  
 Hobby Airport  
 District I  
 Completed  
 Budget: \$421

Delivery and installation of a donated artwork. Delivery and installation by DCM Art Services.



**High Plains Drifter**  
 Artist: Peter Regiano  
 HPARD  
 Agnes Moffett Park  
 District A  
 In Progress  
 Budget: \$40,301

Moving of a work donated by Brookfield Property Partners, LP to Agnes Moffett Park by Jamail & Smith. Coordination with GSD on the foundation and lighting.



**Movable Art Walls**

Production: Root Lab LLC

HAS

Intercontinental Airport

District B

In Progress

Budget: \$18,200

Construction and installation of three movable art walls for the collection.

**Movable Art Walls & Didactic Case**

Production: Root Lab LLC

HAS

Hobby Airport

District I

In Progress

Budget: \$11,300

Construction and installation of a movable art wall and a portable case for the collection.

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**IAH Portable Works – Small Projects**

HAS

Intercontinental Airport

District B

Completed

Budget: \$6,653.07

Relocation, installation and deinstallation, transportation, labels, and photography of various works.

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**Hobby Portable Works – Small Projects**

HAS

Hobby Airport

District I

Completed

Budget: \$840.65

Relocation, installation and deinstallation, transportation, labels, and photography of various works.

# FY17 Conservation<sup>2</sup>



## Greetings from Downtown<sup>3</sup>

Artist: Kelly Klaasmeyer  
 General Government  
 City Hall  
 District I  
 Completed  
 Budget: \$2,070.40

Framing and installation of donated work for City Hall.



## Radiant Fountains

Artist: Dennis Oppenheim/ Touch 33 & Blumenthal Sheet Metal  
 HAS  
 Intercontinental Airport  
 District B  
 In Progress  
 Budget: \$312,199

Reconstruction of Tower 1 after a car crash and replacement of lights and fixtures. Upgrade of overall computer system.



## Radiant Fountains

Artist: Dennis Oppenheim/ TBD  
 HAS  
 Intercontinental Airport  
 District B  
 Initiated  
 Budget: TBD

Conservation assessment for replacement of light strings on towers 2 and 3 pending HAS contract availability of funding.



## Wind Trees

Artist: George Sacaris/ Blumenthal Sheet Metal  
 HAS  
 Intercontinental Airport  
 District B  
 In Progress  
 Budget: \$25,100

Removal and storage pending funds for restoration.

<sup>2</sup> Note: Artists in FY17 Conservation section include name of conservator after '/' if included.

<sup>3</sup> Note: Artwork missing and presumed destroyed due to Hurricane Harvey related damage at City Hall.



**Travel Light**  
 Artist: The Art Guys/ TAG Electric  
 HAS  
 Intercontinental Airport  
 District B  
 Completed  
 Budget: \$7,610

Repair of LED lights and wiring.



**Time Line**  
 Artist: Ben Woitena  
 HAS  
 Intercontinental Airport  
 District B  
 Initiated  
 Budget: TBD

Replacement of vinyl elements pending approval of lane closure and contract negotiation.



**West of Pecos**  
 Artist: Rolf Westphal/ Onaim  
 HAS  
 Intercontinental Airport  
 District B  
 In Progress  
 Budget: \$39,175

Repainting, rewelding of sections and rust remediation.



**West of Pecos**  
 Artist: Rolf Westphal/ Ace Electric  
 HAS  
 Intercontinental Airport  
 District B  
 Completed  
 Budget: \$2,117.16

Replacement and installation of vandalized solar batteries.



**Untitled**

Artist: Geoff Hippensteil/ Ray Balinskas  
HAS

Intercontinental Airport

District B

In Progress

Budget: \$1,350

Restretching the painting and repair of surface.



**Airport Seating**

Artist: Chris Sauter/ Tech  
HAS

Hobby Airport

District I

In Progress

Budget: \$1,395

Repair of LED light strips.



**Illuminated Icons #s 5, 6 & 8**

Artist: Jay Shinn/ Jay Shinn + Neon  
Gallery

HAS

Hobby Airport

District I

Completed

Budget: \$1,930.52

Repair of damaged work; shipping to Houston.



**Oba**

Artist: Robert Pruitt/ Cunningham Art  
Services

HAS

Intercontinental Airport

District B

Completed

Budget: \$1,011.25



Repair and reinforcement of frame.



**William P Hobby Medallion**

Artist: RE: site/ GraphTec  
HAS  
Hobby Airport  
District I  
In Progress  
Budget: \$505

Repair of medallion stand and move of the artwork to a new location.



**Vector HH**

Artist: Luca Buvoli/ Blumenthal  
Sheet Metal  
HAS  
Hobby Airport  
District I  
Completed  
Budget: \$138,747.75

Removal, storage and reinstallation of this hanging artwork over a two-year period.



**Synchronicity of Color**

Artist: Margo Sawyer/ Robert Pringle & TY Art  
HFC  
Discovery Green  
District I  
Completed  
Budget: \$34,380 by Houston First Corporation

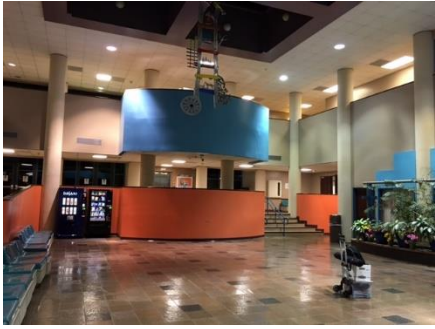
Repainting of approximately 80 art boxes in time for the Super Bowl.



**Axis**

Artist: Frank McGuire/ Onaim Inc  
HHD  
West End Multi-Service Center  
District C  
Initiated  
Budget: TBD

Cleaning and repainting pending receipt of Letter of Authorization (LOA).



**Ladder of Hope**  
 Artist: Floyd Newsum  
 HHD  
 Acres Homes Multi-Service Center  
 District B  
 Initiated  
  
 Plaque replacement.  
  
 Budget: \$80



**Houston Police Officer's Memorial**  
 Artist: Jesus Moroles/ FountainWorks + Veazey  
 HPARD  
 Buffalo Bayou Park  
 District C  
 In Progress  
 Budget: \$30,000  
  
 Reaffixing loose granite sections.  
 Fountain repair after each Buffalo Bayou flood.



**Open Channel Flow**  
 Artist: Matthew Gellar/ TBD  
 HPARD  
 Buffalo Bayou Park  
 District C  
 Initiated  
 Budget: TBD  
  
 Repainting and replacement of pump mechanism pending negotiation of financial responsibility.



**Tolerance**  
 Artist: Jaume Plensa/ TY Art  
 HPARD  
 Buffalo Bayou Park  
 District C  
 In Progress  
 Budget: TBD  
  
 Replacement of lights with funds from restricted Houston Arts Foundation.



**Absolute Victory**  
Artist: Rosalinda Toro/ MEK Tile  
HPARD  
Veterans Memorial Park  
District H  
Initiated  
Budget: TBD

Conservation assessment performed.  
Repair of missing and broken tiles

pending the availability of funds.



**Confucius**  
Artist: Willy Want/ Onaim  
HPARD  
Hermann Park  
District D  
Initiated  
Budget: \$1,200

Conservation assessment for repair of bent hair pin and cleaning of sculpture.



**Grecian Dancer**  
Artist: Unknown/ TY Art  
HPARD  
HPARD Gragg Building  
District I  
Completed  
Budget: \$3,470

Drilling a rod into the base of the work, affixing to a base, moved to HPARD offices.



**Schnitzer Fountain Sculpture**  
Artist: Unknown/  
Robert Pringle  
HPARD  
Hermann Park  
District D  
Completed  
Budget: \$3,500

Emergency conservation of vandalized work.



**Scanlan Fountain**

Artist: Mott Iron Works/  
FountainWorks  
HPARD  
Sam Houston Park  
District I  
Completed  
Budget: \$8,395

Removal of mineral buildup and repainting.



**Japanese Lantern + Wilkefeld Bench**

Artist: Unknown + Tommy Schiltzberger/ Veazey  
HPARD  
Hermann Park  
District D  
Completed  
Budget: \$1,720

Repair of broken finial on lantern and bench seat.



**Market Square Benches**

Artist: Malau Flato/ MEK Tile  
HPARD  
Market Square Park  
District I  
Completed  
Budget: \$1,715

Artist repainted the missing tiles which were professionally installed; graffiti

abatement.



**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Station**

Artist: Kenneth Washington/ Robert Pringle  
HPARD  
MacGregor Park  
District D  
Completed  
Budget: \$17,921

Dry ice blasting of the sculpture, repatination, addition of weep holes, repair of vandalized lettering.





**Geometric Mouse, Scale X**  
 Artist: Claus Oldenburg/ Robert Pringle  
 HPL  
 Central Library  
 District I  
 Initiated  
 Budget: TBD

Conservation assessment for repainting and rust abatement of this signature work.



**Houston Past and Present**  
 Artist: American Needlepoint Guild/  
 Paul Art Services  
 HPL  
 Clayton Genealogical Library  
 District C  
 Completed  
 Budget: \$8,801.88

Cleaning, rebacking, framing and move of the work to Clayton Library.



**In Minds**  
 Artist: Anthony Cragg/ Robert Pringle  
 TBD  
 Hobby Center for the Performing Arts  
 District I  
 Initiated  
 Budget: TBD

Conservation assessment performed. Repair and refinishing pending availability of funds and determination of departmental responsibility.

## Civic Art Current Pool Balances (FY17) Year End 6/30/2017

PROGRAM	Balance 6/30/2016	Activities	Balance
<b>General Improvement Programs</b>			
<b>Health</b>	339,865		
From Peavy Senior Center Renovation (H-000012)		5,486	
From Acres Homes MSC Renovation (H-000104)		4,472	
From Northside Health Cnt. Design/build contract (H-000010) Pending		5,056	
From error Correction Cochran Renovation (H-000097)		9,889	
		<u>24,903</u>	364,768
<b>Gen. Govrn.</b>	59,838		
(1850 \$52,067) (4509 \$7,433) (2205 \$338)		(2,070)	
To Greeting From Downtown (K-000423 LOA 4600012601-13)		<u>(2,070)</u>	57,768
<b>Library</b>	758,245		
From Central Library Imp. (E-00197)		(691)	
		9,643	
		<u>8,952</u>	767,197
<b>Parks</b>	394,840		
To JAMIII JO#58B Foundation for Reginato sculpture (D-000108)		(16,768)	
To JAMIII JO#58A Foundation for Reginato sculpture (D-000108)		(76,252)	
To Judson Robinson Sr. Community Cnt (K000423-00015-4-01)		(90,500)	
To Benches Market Sq. Park LOA 4600012601--16 (K000423-00016-4-01)		(2,130)	
To moving of art work High Plains Drifter (K-000423-0017-4-01)		(54,624)	
To Martin Luther King sculpture LOA 4600012601-18 (K-000423-0018-4-1)		(23,826)	
To #8 PRD Reginato Sculpture Relocation (D-000108-0006-3-21)		(36,628)	
From moving of art work High Plains Drifter cost Coucilman		6,000	
		<u>(294,728)</u>	100,112
<b>Public Works</b>	94,163		
		<u>0</u>	94,163
<b>Fire</b>	557,413		
From Burn Building Reno. (C-000212-0001-3-01)		3,500	
		<u>3,500</u>	560,913
<b>Police</b>	543,435		
To Southwest Police Station (K000423-0012-4-01)		(305,200)	
		<u>(305,200)</u>	238,235
<b>Solid Waste</b>	223		
		<u>0</u>	223
<b>Total</b>	<u>2,748,022</u>	<u>(564,643)</u>	<u>2,183,379</u>
<b>Enterprise Programs</b>			
<b>Water &amp; Sewer Enterprise Fund</b>	351,646		
From NE Quardrant Building (R-950000)		21,665	
From NE Quardrant Building (S-950000)		21,665	
To Cloud Code Restoration & Repair (LOA 5600012601-11)		(9,543)	
From NE Quardrant Building (R-950000) Reversed		(21,665)	
From NE Quardrant Building (S-950000) Reversed		(21,665)	
From NE Quardrant Building (R-950000) Reversed		19,300	
		<u>9,757</u>	361,403
<b>Aviation</b>	1,934,045		
From PMO Office IAH (A-000800-0018-4-01)		67,439	
From MLIT A&E Art IAH (A-CIVART-0001-1-02-0018-4-01)		697,500	
From EFD Air Traffic Tower (A-000564-0004-4-01)		191,643	
		<u>956,582</u>	2,890,627
<b>Total</b>	<u>2,285,691</u>	<u>966,339</u>	<u>3,252,030</u>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<u>5,033,713</u>	<u>401,696</u>	<u>5,435,409</u>

## HAA Admin Fees FY17

<b>LOA</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Contract Number</b>	<b>Amount Paid</b>
23 (previous contract)	Civic Art Conservation Services	4600010639-23	\$1,427.15
1	Bagby Underpass	4600012601-01	\$12,000.00
4	Lipski's Periscope at Sabine Street	4600012601-04	\$680.00
5	Foundation Repair & Conservation for HP Memorial	4600012601-05	\$308.04
6	Needle Point "Houston Past and Present"	4600012601-06	\$1,482.72
8	Collection Management and Curatorial Services	4600012601-08	\$42,000.00
9	Outdoor Sculpture at Young Library	4600012601-09	\$37,750.00
10	Malcolm Marco Mural at the Deluxe Theater	4600012601-10	\$1,032.24
11	Restoration and Repair of Cloud Code	4600012601-11	\$1,216.61
12	HPD - Southwest Police Station	4600012601-12	\$30,600.00
14	Allen Pkwy Parking Meters	4600012601-14	\$2,670.00
15	Judson Robinson Sr. Community Center	4600012601-15	\$10,710.00
16	Restoration of Benches by Maolu Flato at Market Square	4600012601-16	\$425.25
17	Moving of High Plains Drifter artwork	4600012601-17	\$6,484.00
18	Conservation of MLK Jr. Statue	4600012601-18	\$3,026.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$151,812.01</b>