

NYCE Sculpture Community Donation Drop Off

Thank you for being willing to help gather materials for the lobby sculpture of the Nashville Youth Campus for Empowerment. Below are the details that will help you determine what exactly you can contribute.

About the sculpture:

This wall sculpture will be in the lobby as one of the first things visitors see when entering the facility. The artwork will be installed on a wall encompassing over 70ft of width and 16ft height.

Artist William Massey will be weaving together a composition that is essentially a tapestry of easily identifiable objects and reclaimed materials from YOU!

About the location:

The old juvenile court gave people a **depressing and claustrophobic** feeling - this new facility hopes to change that. As this sculpture will give people the first impression during a difficult day amidst a likely turbulent season, we hope it sparks a feeling of **positive possibility** as a way to honor the families who are navigating the court system, as well as the staff and public servants.

As you go about your life these coming days, keep a lookout for items aside that adhere to the guidelines below.

*** Be sure to read this entire page so that your contributions are usable and accepted ***

Items to consider donating:

While many items could be incorporated into the artwork, the artist asks you consider items that specifically relate to the following themes:

- Challenges and confusion we face during our teenage years
- A mistake we've made
- Mending brokenness
- Channeling our energy into something healthy
- Strengthening family ties
- Comfort and safety
- The hope of transformation
- Honoring families during a turbulent season

Types of items:

- Domestic items
 - Think of what you may find lying around a house, or in boxes in the attic or garage.
- Items that relate to life in the city of Nashville
 - Things like bike parts, broken instruments, a popped basketball, etc.
- Items that personally relate to your journey as a teenager, positive or negative.
- Items that personally relate to your journey as a parent of a juvenile.

Obviously, there are many random things that apply, get creative as you look around your life! Whatever you choose, just be sure it falls within the parameters below:

Types of acceptable material:

- Durable materials that are not flimsy or deteriorating
 - Think of lightweight plastics, wood, metal, silicone
- Nothing fragile, degradable, heavy, large or dangerous
 - **NO** broken glass, sharp objects, weapons, etc.
 - **NO** flammable, pressurized or combustible items
 - **NO** large or heavy items like car tires/wheels, thick metal, appliances
 - **Nothing larger than about 2ft** (unless it's long, but not bulky, like a broom)
- Items should be easily cleaned, non-porous, non-toxic
 - Nothing with liquid, grease, oil, residue, food, mud, chemicals, etc.

Items must be dropped off at the Metro Arts office, Monday through Friday, from 9 am – 4 pm.

Thank you and please reach out to Atilio Murga if you have any questions.
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