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DEFINITIONS

CITY DEPARTMENTS

CEF	Convention and Entertainment Facilities (Houston First)
GSD	General Services Department
HAS	Houston Airport System
HFD	Houston Fire Department
HHD	Houston Health Department
HPARD	Houston Parks and Recreation Department
HPD	Houston Police Department
HPL	Houston Public Library
HPW	Houston Public Works
MOCA	Houston Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs
PMD	Parking Management Division
SWMD	Solid Waste Management Department

INTRODUCTION

The Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs (MOCA) is a division of the Mayor's Office which advances the Mayor's cultural priorities through the City's programs, partnerships, and communications. MOCA is the point of contact for many of the City's cultural initiatives and it implements strategies which support the City's Arts and Cultural Plan that was developed in coordination with the City's first General Plan.

MOCA-led programs promote engagement in quality arts and cultural programming, enhance the support system for the city's deep cultural assets, and advance strategies to strengthen the local creative economy.

The City of Houston's Civic Art Program was established in December 1999, when Houston City Council adopted an ordinance mandating that 1.75 percent of the budget for eligible City-funded (CIP) construction projects be spent to integrate artwork and the ideas of artists in public spaces and to conserve the City's Civic Art Collection.

In addition to managing the commissioning and conservation of permanent artworks through the City of Houston's Civic Art Program, MOCA facilitates the placement of temporary art on City of Houston properties, artworks gifted to the City for inclusion in the Civic Art Collection, community murals, and special projects which touch neighborhoods across the city. MOCA upholds the values established and described in the Cultural Plan to foster an environment in which art and culture flourish for the sharing and benefit of all residents and visitors to Houston.

This annual report sets out the prior fiscal year's Civic Art Program-related activities and funding information. Budgets referenced in the project summaries are for the entire term of the project which often span more than one fiscal year.

The Civic Art Program is just one way the City of Houston invests in the cultural development of its communities.

Find out more about MOCA programs and activities at houstontx.gov/culturalaffairs, on YouTube channel [HoustonMOCA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9w8w8w8w8w8w8w8w8w8w8w), and by following [@HoustonMOCA](https://www.facebook.com/HoustonMOCA) on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for the latest news and information.

David Maldonado *Entre Las Brisas*, 2022
Denver Harbor Multi-Service Center, District H

Photographer: Alex Barber



CIVIC ART PROGRAM OVERVIEW

As part of the City's capital asset investment program, the City of Houston's Civic Art Program, managed by MOCA, produces and conserves permanent visual artworks for placement in public and civic spaces, city-wide.

Houston'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.

The primary objective of the program is to enhance the environment through the inclusion of artist-designed features and artwork in municipal facilities, supporting the City's commitment to neighborhood enhancement and to improving the overall quality of life and community well-being in Houston neighborhoods. As artworks are acquired and accessioned into the Civic Art Collection, they, together boost Houston's image as a vibrant and culturally rich metropolis, both nationally and internationally.

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 projects are generated through the CIP by nearly every City department, typically as part of the construction of new facilities and

major expansion. Civic Art funds are appropriated by City Council for eligible projects and only apply to capital projects for which funds are assigned.

To date, Houston's Civic Art Program has commissioned and conserved hundreds of site-specific artworks across the city. The Civic Art Collection provides residents and visitors the opportunity to encounter art at City Hall, airports, convention centers, libraries, parks, police and fire stations, health and recreation centers and city streetscapes.

The City's Civic Art Collection currently holds **812** accessioned works of art and represents artwork from **516** artists. The number of Civic Art Collection artworks on public display grew in FY 23 through the installation of **SIXTEEN** new site-specific, permanent commissioned artworks in Houston neighborhoods and both of Houston's airports.

812
accession
artworks

516
artists
represented

16
commissions
delivered



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REPORT

In Fiscal Year 2023 (FY23), MOCA authorized funds to initiate **TWENTY-TWO** new Civic Art projects. Work continued for **THIRTY-SIX** ongoing projects from previous fiscal years, for a total of **FIFTY-EIGHT** active projects. **TWENTY-FIVE** active projects were delivered or completed in FY23, **FIFTEEN** of which were closed out as complete; **THIRTY-TWO** projects are still ongoing. **ONE** project was closed before completion per department request.

Civic Art projects in FY23 included work on **THIRTY-THREE** active projects for new artworks, **TWELVE** of which were delivered within the fiscal year, **SEVEN** of which were closed out as complete, and **TWENTY** of which are ongoing. **ONE** project did not move forward. **NINE** of the ongoing projects for new artwork were initiated in FY23; **ELEVEN** were initiated in FY22.

EIGHTEEN conservation projects were active in FY23, **THIRTEEN** of which were delivered within the fiscal year, **TWELVE** of those closed out as complete; **FIVE** are still ongoing. Of all conservation projects active in FY23, **SEVEN** were initiated in FY23, and **ELEVEN** were initiated in FY22.

SEVEN collection management projects were active in FY22, all of which are still ongoing. **THREE** of the active projects for collection management were initiated in FY23.

The total amount of Civic Art funds authorized for projects active in FY23 was **\$13,029,971.85**, which includes **\$5,710,634.59** in funds authorized for projects initiated in FY23 in addition to the **\$7,319,337.26** authorized for projects started in previous fiscal years.

For projects taking place during FY23, Civic Art funds in the amount of **\$4,519,361.05** were paid in fees for artists and conservators for work on new art acquisitions and conservation projects, through Houston Arts Alliance.

Project management for delivery of these projects was carried out under contract by Houston Arts Alliance (HAA), to whom **\$545,169.70** was paid for administrative services.

In total, during FY23, Civic Art funds in the amount of **\$5,064,530.75** was expended by the City of Houston for project costs and fees for active Civic Art Program projects.

58
active
projects

22
new
projects

15
completed
projects

ACTIVE PROJECTS & PROJECTS PER CITY DEPARTMENTS

Active Projects

Table 1

The summary of activity for the Civic Art Program is as follows:

PROJECT TYPE	FY22	FY23
New Artwork Commissions/ Acquisition	20	33
Conservation	26	18
Collection Management	7	7
TOTAL	53	58

The **FIFTY-EIGHT** active projects include Civic Art activities within **EIGHT** City departments and **SIX** city council districts (B, C, D, F, H, and I). **TWO** Collection Management projects are city-wide.

The **THREE** commission projects at the Alief Neighborhood Center merges activity of three city departments: HHD, HPL, and HPARD, and the North Belt Safety Complex merges activity across two departments: HPD + HFD.

Active Projects Per City Departments

Table 2

The breakdown of new and ongoing activity by department is as follows:

DEPARTMENT	FY22	FY23
GSD	5	3
HAS	30	26
HFD	0	1
HHD	3	3
HPARD	4	3
HPD	2	3
HPD + HFD	1	2
HPL	4	7
HPW	1	1
HHD / HPL / HPARD	2	3
HHD / HPL / HPARD / GSD	1	1
MOCA	0	2
TOTAL ACTIVE PROJECTS	53	55



FUNDS IN SERVICE

Department Funding Pool Balances

FUNDS IN SERVICE is the percentage of available funding allocated to and reserved for active Civic Art projects through Letters of Authorization (LOAs). Funds authorized for Civic Art Program activity are calculated as a percentage of total available funds per city department funding pool.

AVAILABLE FUNDS are equal to the End of Year (EOY) Balance for FY22 plus funds newly appropriated (added to funding pools) in FY23.

FUNDS IN SERVICE

Table 3

DEPARTMENT	FY22 EOY BALANCE	ADDED FUNDS	AVAILABLE FUNDS	ACTIVITIES	FY23 EOY BALANCE	% IN SERVICE
GEN GOV. (GG)	\$37,967	\$-	\$37,967	\$(22,369)	\$15,598	59%
HOUSTON AIRPORTS (HAS)	\$6,525,109	\$3,813,136	\$10,338,245	\$(5,464,499)	\$4,873,746	53%
HOUSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT (HFD)	\$867,161	\$17,303	\$884,464	\$(282,443)	\$602,021	32%
HOUSTON HEALTH DEPARTMENT (HHD)	\$509,806	\$24,223	\$534,029	\$(3,287)	\$530,742	<1%
HOUSTON PARKS & REC. DEPT (HPARD)	\$218,602	\$-	\$218,602	\$(24,365)	\$194,237	11%
HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT (HPD)	\$346,102	\$-	\$346,102	\$(313,533)	\$32,569	73%
HOUSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY (HPL)	\$388,125	\$44,361	\$432,486	\$(121,217)	\$311,269	28%
HOUSTON PUBLIC WORKS (HPW)	\$51,353	\$-	\$51,353	\$-	\$51,353	0%
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT (SWMD)	\$185,941	\$-	\$185,941	\$-	\$185,941	0%
WATER & SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND	\$574,871	\$-	\$574,871	\$-	\$574,871	0%
OTHER (4039)	\$211,429	\$89,339	\$300,768	\$-	\$300,768	0%
OTHER (1800)	\$23,447	\$-	\$23,447	\$-	\$23,447	0%
OTHER (1850)	\$254,402	\$-	\$254,402	\$(153,078)	\$101,324	60%
SPECIAL REVENUE (2310)	\$-	\$8,215	\$8,215	\$-	\$8,215	0%
SPECIAL REVENUE (2425)	\$-	\$8,968	\$8,968	\$-	\$8,968	0%
TOTAL FUNDS	\$10,194,313	\$4,005,545	\$14,199,858	\$(6,384,791)	\$7,815,067	45%



NEW ARTWORK

Acquisitions & Commissions

FY23 saw **THIRTY-THREE** projects active for new artworks in **SIX** districts: B, C, D, F, H, and I. **NINE** of the projects were initiated in FY23. Among all active projects for new artwork in FY23, **TWELVE** were delivered and **TWENTY** are ongoing in FY24. **ONE** project was closed per department request.

In total, the city has allocated **\$11,131,878.30**, for these projects, the earliest of which began in FY20; of these funds, **\$5,637,187.43** was authorized for new commission and acquisition projects initiated in FY23.

Combined, and once completed, these projects will add **THIRTY-FOUR** site specific commissioned artworks and **NINETY-TWO** portable works to the City of Houston's Civic Art Collection.

Jesse Lott *The Dreamcatcher*, 2023
Sunnyside Multi-Service Center, District D

Photographer: Alex Barber



ACQUISITION & COMMISSION PROJECTS

Table 4

LOA #	LOA DATE	INITIATED	PROJECT TYPE	DEPARTMENT	DISTRICT	PROJECT NAME	END OF FY23 STATUS	AUTHORIZED FUNDS
LOA 002	9/5/2019	FY20	New Artwork Commission	HPL	C	Barbara Jordan Commemoration Monument	Ongoing	\$282,500.00
LOA 003	11/21/2019	FY20	New Artwork Commission	HPL/HHS/HPARD	F	Alief Neighborhood Center - Artist Selection	Closed Out	\$270,000.00
LOA 007	12/17/2019	FY20	New Artwork Commission	HHD	D	Sunnyside Multi-Service Center - Artist Selection	Delivered / Closed Out	\$158,800.00
LOA No. 20R4	4/20/2020	FY20	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B + I	New Art Acquisitions (Commissions)	Delivered	\$2,000,000.00
LOA No. 21R1	5/18/2020	FY20	New Artwork Acquisition	HAS	B + I	New Art Acquisitions - Portable Works	Closed Out	\$1,000,000.00
LOA 008	7/22/2020	FY21	New Artwork Commission	HPL/HHD/HPARD	F	Alief Neighborhood Center - Design/Fabrication	Delivered / Closed Out	\$630,000.00
LOA 010	1/4/2021	FY21	New Artwork Commission	PWE	C	Municipal Workers Memorial	Ongoing	\$100,000.00
LOA 012	3/8/2021	FY21	New Artwork Commission	HPL	C	Barbara Bush Literary Plaza	Delivered	\$33,705.38
LOA 0014	7/28/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HHD	D	Sunnyside Multi-Service Center - Design/Fabrication	Delivered / Closed Out	\$292,540.00
LOA No. 35A	8/19/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP MLIT A - N.D. 1 - 6 (Gates)	Ongoing	\$74,415.93
LOA 0016	8/25/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HPD + HFD	B	North Belt Safety Complex (Artist Selection)	Initiated / Ongoing	\$48,000.00
LOA 0017	9/20/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HHD	H	Denver Harbor Multi-Service Center	Delivered / Closed Out	\$135,127.80
LOA No. 45A	12/27/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP D1-D3 (Departures Hall)	Ongoing	\$73,893.81
LOA No. 46A	12/28/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP D5 (Departures Garage Wall)	Ongoing	\$52,123.89
LOA No. 47A	12/29/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP A1 (Arrivals Open Pet Area)	Closed Out	\$38,318.58
LOA No. 48A	12/30/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP A2 (Arrivals Garage Wall)	Ongoing	\$52,123.89
LOA 0022	1/24/2022	FY22	New Artwork Acquisition	GSD	C	City Hall Basement Portable Works + Mural	Ongoing	\$105,000.00
LOA No. 36AR1	3/11/2022	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP MLIT B - N.D. 8 (Hold Room)	Ongoing	\$48,008.85
LOA No. 37AR1	3/11/2022	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP MLIT C - N.D. 9 (The Knuckle)	Ongoing	\$71,017.70
LOA No. 49AR1	3/11/2022	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP A3 (Arrivals Interior Elevator Wall)	Ongoing	\$29,115.04



ACQUISITION & COMMISSION PROJECTS (CONTINUED)

Table 4 (Continued)

LOA #	LOA DATE	INITIATED	PROJECT TYPE	DEPARTMENT	DISTRICT	PROJECT NAME	END OF FY23 STATUS	AUTHORIZED FUNDS
LOA No. 35B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP MLIT A - N.D. 1 - 6 (Gates)	Initiated / Ongoing	\$828,584.07
LOA No. 36B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP MLIT B - N.D. 8 (Hold Room)	Initiated / Ongoing	\$451,991.15
LOA No. 37B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP MLIT C - N.D. 9 (The Knuckle)	Initiated / Ongoing	\$928,928.30
LOA No. 45B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP D1-D3 (Departures Hall)	Initiated / Ongoing	\$926,106.19
LOA No. 46B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP D5 (Departures Garage Wall)	Initiated / Ongoing	\$647,876.11
LOA No. 47B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP A1 (Arrivals Open Pet Area)	Closed	\$361,681.42
LOA No. 48B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP A2 (Arrivals Garage Wall)	Initiated / Ongoing	\$647,876.11
LOA No. 49B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP A3 (Arrivals Interior Elevator Wall)	Initiated / Ongoing	\$170,884.96
LOA 0029	9/7/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HPD + HFD	B	North Belt Safety Complex (Design + Install)	Initiated / Ongoing	\$538,000.00
LOA 0031	9/26/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HPL	C	New Montrose Library / Montrose Collective	Initiated / Ongoing	\$104,000.00
LOA 0018	10/19/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HPL/HHD/HPARD/GSD	F	Alief Neighborhood Center Video	Initiated/Closed Out	\$20,000.00
LOA 0033	11/23/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HPL/HHD/HPARD	F	Alief Neighborhood Center - Windbloom Paving	Initiated/Closed Out	\$9,860.50
LOA 0034	11/23/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	MOCA	F	Alief Neighborhood Center Plaques	Initiated/Closed Out	\$1,398.62



NEW ACQUISITION PROJECTS

PORTABLE ARTWORKS

FY23 saw **TWO** projects for new acquisitions active in **TWO** districts: B and I.

An acquisition project purchased **SEVENTY-FOUR** portable works for Houston's Airports in FY22 and the project was closed out as complete in FY23.

An acquisition project seeking portable works for the City Hall basement was initiated in FY22 and will add **EIGHTEEN** artworks to the Civic Art Collection. These artworks were purchased during FY23 and prepared for installation in FY24.



Bert L. Long, Jr. *Quest*, 1983
Bush Intercontinental Airport, District B

LOA NO. 21R PORTABLE WORKS AT HAS

Artwork: Portable Works at HOU + IAH

Artists: Various

Sponsoring Department: HAS

Council District: B, I

Locations: Bush Intercontinental Airport, 2800 N Terminal Rd, Houston, TX 77032; William P. Hobby Airport—Central Concourse G50; 7800 Airport Blvd, Houston, Tx 777061

Acquisition Budget: \$980,000.00

Current Status: Delivered; Closed out

Description: This project requested the direct purchase of ready to hang, portable artworks for various sites at Bush Intercontinental and William P. Hobby airports. In total 74 artworks were purchased on behalf of the City of Houston.



Nancy Newberry, *Flag 0700*, 2022
City Hall, District I

LOA 0022
CITY HALL BASEMENT PORTABLE WORKS

Artwork: Portable Works for City Hall Basement
Artists: Various
Sponsoring Department: GSD
Council District: I
Locations: City Hall Basement + Annex; 900 & 914 Bagby St, Houston, Tx 77002
Acquisition Budget: \$82,000.00
Current Status: Artworks delivered; not yet installed

Description: This project requested the direct purchase of ready to hang and portable photographic artworks for 5 sites in newly renovated City Hall basement spaces as well as the installation of a photo-based mural in the City Hall Annex tunnel area.

Nancy Newberry *Escaramuza*, 2017
Bush Intercontinental Airport, District B

Photo courtesy of the artist



NEW COMMISSION PROJECTS

PERMANENT, SITE-SPECIFIC ARTWORKS

FY23 saw **THIRTY-ONE** projects for new commissions active at City of Houston properties city-wide.

SIXTEEN permanent, site-specific commissioned artworks were installed at City of Houston facilities during FY23. Of these, **SIX** commissioned artworks were accepted as satisfactorily complete by the City, closed out, and accessioned into the Civic Art Collection. **TEN** of these commissioned artworks were installed during FY23 and will be closed out accessioned by the City of Houston in FY24. **ONE** active commission project was delivered in FY22 and will be closed out in FY24.

Additionally, **SEVENTEEN** new commission projects are still ongoing for Capital Improvement Plan projects city-wide and are in various stages of design development or in fabrication. These projects are scheduled for delivery during FY24.



LOA 003 + LOA 008 ALIEF NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

Artwork: *Alief Swarm*

Artists: Bennie Flores Ansell

Sponsoring Department: HPL / HHS / HPARD

Council District: F

Locations: Alief Neighborhood Center; 11903 Bellaire Blvd, Houston, Texas, 77072

Project Budget: \$262,633.00

Status: Delivered; Closed out

Description: *Alief Swarm* creates an uplifting and colorful experience for visitors to the neighborhood center and provide a transition space at a key building entrance. The artwork features elements – shoes – determined and decided via vote from the Alief community.





**LOA 003 + LOA 008
ALIEF NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER**

Artwork: *Folding Stories*

Artists: Rahkee Jain Desai, Ami Mehta, and Sneha Bhavsar

Sponsoring Department: HPL / HHD / HPARD

Council District: F

Locations: Alief Neighborhood Center; 11903 Bellaire Blvd, Houston, Texas, 77072

Project Budget: \$262,633.00

Status: Delivered; Closed out

Description: *Folding Stories* strives to honor the history of Alief and the legacy of the female pioneer for which it is named by creating three multifaceted sculptures with hand-painted, culturally inspired textiles and handwritten notes from Alief residents and students.



**LOA 003 + LOA 008
ALIEF NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER**

Artwork: *Windbloom*

Artists: Various

Sponsoring Department: HAS

Council District: F

Locations: Bush Intercontinental Airport, 2800 N Terminal Rd, Houston, TX 77032; William P. Hobby Airport—Central Concourse G50; 7800 Airport Blvd, Houston, Tx 777061

Project Budget: \$262,633.00

Status: Delivered; Closed out

Description: Inspired by the native ecology of the Alief area, *Windbloom* is an overhead sculpture, meant to be experienced as a colorful shading device or from a distance as a supersized flower map. Viewable from the new Center's front porch, it creates a colorful map of the site's prevailing winds with "petals" of colorful resin.



**LOA 007 + LOA 0014
SUNNYSIDE MULTI-SERVICE CENTER**

Artwork: *The Dreamcatcher*

Artists: Jesse Lott

Sponsoring Department: HHD

Council District: D

Locations: Sunnyside Multi Service Center; 4410 Reed Rd, Houston, TX 77051

Project Budget: \$210,000.00

Status: Delivered; Closed out

Description: A sculpture whose concept rests on ideas of drawing in space and dreams. This commission surveyed the Sunnyside community about their desires for the artwork's central imagery and incorporates objects contributed by the community into its makeup.



**LOA 007 + LOA 0014
SUNNYSIDE MULTI-SERVICE CENTER**

Artwork: *That Sunnyside Pride*

Artists: Irene Antonia Diane Reece

Sponsoring Department: HHD

Council District: D

Locations: Sunnyside Multi Service Center; 4410 Reed Rd, Houston, TX 77051

Project Budget: \$134,000.00

Status: Delivered; Closed out

Description: *That Sunnyside Pride* is a community centered photographic based installation which will present a collection of original photographs which will be featured in the interior artwork public entrance of the Sunnyside Multi-Service center. Through this commission Reece has invited the community to be a part of the photography selection process to ensure historical and present-day attributes of Sunnyside are well represented in the finished artwork commission.



LOA 0017
DENVER HARBOR MULTI-SERVICE CENTER

Artwork: *Entre Las Brisas*

Artists: David Maldonado

Sponsoring Department: HHD

Council District: H

Locations: Denver Harbor Multi-Service Center, 6402
Market St, Houston, TX 77020

Project Budget: \$110,000.00

Status: Delivered; Closed out

Description: The artist's vision for this mural is to incorporate imagery that symbolizes and reflects the many different resources that the Multi-Service Center offers within. The narrative for the mural concept is one of tapestry and culture and is inspired by the Denver Harbor community.





**LOA 002
BARBARA JORDAN COMMEMORATIVE
MONUMENT**

Artwork: *The Meditative Space*

Artists: Jamal Cyrus and Charisse Weston

Sponsoring Department: HPL

Council District: C

Locations: African American Library at the Gregory School; Freedmen's Town; 1300 Victor St, Houston, TX 77019

Project Budget: \$250,000.00

Status: Delivered; Project close out pending

Description: *The Meditative Space* is an interpretive monumental artwork commemorating a historically significant Houstonian, Congresswoman Barbara Jordan, in Houston's Historic Fourth Ward/Freedman's Town



**LOA NO. 20R4
VARIOUS NEW COMMISSIONS**

Artwork: *Clouds*

Artists: William Cannings

Sponsoring Department: HAS

Council District: I

Locations: William P. Hobby Airport - Central Concourse G50; 7800 Airport Blvd, Houston, Tx 777061

Project Budget: \$144,000.00

Status: Delivered; Project close out pending

Description: *Clouds* is a playful Suspended sculptural installation of cloud forms created from sheet steel inflated by compressed air.



LOA NO. 20R4 VARIOUS NEW COMMISSIONS

Artwork: *Big Texas Sky*

Artists: R&R&R (Ryan Takaba, Robert Diaz de Leon, and Ronny Eckels)

Sponsoring Department: HAS

Council District: I

Locations: William P. Hobby Airport—Central Concourse G50; 7800 Airport Blvd, Houston, Tx 77061

Project Budget: \$144,000.00

Status: Delivered; Project close out pending

Description: *Big Texas Sky* is suspended artwork of four cast resin panels depicting the Texas sky in four seasons, created from colored powders and harvested materials.



LOA NO. 20R4 VARIOUS NEW COMMISSIONS

Artwork: *Pieces of Home*

Artists: Colby Deal

Sponsoring Department: HAS

Council District: B

Locations: Bush Intercontinental Airport, 2800 N Terminal Rd, Houston, TX 77032

Project Budget: \$82,000.00

Status: Delivered; Project close out pending

Description: *Pieces of Home* is a photographic installation will present portraits of community members of diverse ethnicities, mounted on the columns within custom-made ornamented wooden frames.



**LOA NO. 20R4
VARIOUS NEW COMMISSIONS**

Artwork: *Karankawa Sun Dream and the Truth Teller*
Artists: Cruz Ortiz
Sponsoring Department: HAS
Council District: I
Locations: William P. Hobby Airport—Central Concourse G50; 7800 Airport Blvd, Houston, Tx 77061
Project Budget: \$82,000.00
Status: Delivered; Project close out pending

Description: This is a narrative-based mural highlighting the culture of the Karankawa and Akokisas peoples, native to the Texas Gulf Coast region, designed to demonstrate a connection with the natural landscape and native flora of Houston.



**LOA NO. 20R4
VARIOUS NEW COMMISSIONS**

Artwork: *Pentaplexity*
Artists: Melissa Borrell
Sponsoring Department: HAS
Council District: B
Locations: Bush Intercontinental Airport, 2800 N Terminal Rd, Houston, TX 77032
Project Budget: \$172,000.00
Status: Delivered; Project close out pending

Description: *Pentaplexity* is a suspended sculpture with colored, translucent panels that appear to change shape and form based on where it is viewed.





**LOA NO. 20R4
VARIOUS NEW COMMISSIONS**

Artwork: *Aquarius Tunnel*

Artists: Janavi Mahimtura Folmsbee

Sponsoring Department: HAS

Council District: B

Locations: Bush Intercontinental Airport, 2800 N Terminal Rd, Houston, TX 77032

Project Budget: #172,000.00

Status: Delivered; Project close out pending

Description: *Aquarius Tunnel* is an immersive installation and underwater design patterned off the Flower Garden Banks Marine National Sanctuary, utilizing murals, carpeting, and fixed structures, and designed to reflect the interconnectedness of our ecological environment.



**LOA NO. 20R4
VARIOUS NEW COMMISSIONS**

Artwork: *Tree in C*

Artists: Peter Hite

Sponsoring Department: HAS

Council District: B

Locations: Bush Intercontinental Airport, 2800 N Terminal Rd, Houston, TX 77032

Project Budget: \$82,000.00

Status: Delivered; Project close out pending

Description: *Tree in C* is wall niche mural blending abstract and realistic designs on a tree, with a color-transitioning lenticular effect, creating a lively and dynamic experience for passengers.



LOA NO. 20R4 VARIOUS NEW COMMISSIONS

Artwork: *We Come in Waves*

Artists: Xavier Schipani

Sponsoring Department: HAS

Council District: B

Locations: Bush Intercontinental Airport, 2800 N Terminal Rd, Houston, TX 77032

Project Budget: \$82,000.00

Status: Delivered; Project close out pending

Description: This wall niche mural is composed of diverse figures, designed in cool hues of blue, that change size based on a passenger's viewpoint. It is designed to be especially viewed from the two escalators nearby.



LOA NO. 20R4 VARIOUS NEW COMMISSIONS

Artwork: *Data Stream*

Artists: Input/Output

Sponsoring Department: HAS

Council District: B

Locations: Bush Intercontinental Airport, 2800 N Terminal Rd, Houston, TX 77032

Project Budget: \$122,000.00

Status: Delivered; Project close out pending

Description: *Data Stream* is a suspended triptych ribbon of LED lights that shares publicly accessible data sets (such as IAH city destinations, temperature, precipitation, etc) recontextualized into abstract animations and dynamic light patterns powered by a custom-built computer system.



LOA 0012
BARBARA BUSH LITERACY PLAZA

Artwork: *A Life, Illuminated*

Artists: Marsha Dorsey-Outlaw

Sponsoring Department: HPL

Council District: I

Locations: Barbara Bush Literacy Plaza, Houston Public Library Central Library, 500 McKinney St, Houston, Tx 77002

Project Budget: \$20,000.00

Status: Delivered; Project close out pending

Description: A mosaic artwork commissioned for four custom planters bordering the Children's outdoor area at the Barbara Bush Literacy Plaza. The artwork amplifies the emotions and imagination ignited by the power of stories.



CONSERVATION

FY23 saw **EIGHTEEN** conservation projects active for artworks in **FIVE** districts: **B, C, D, H, and I**. Among these projects, **THIRTEEN** were completed within the fiscal year, **TWELVE** of those closed out, and **FIVE** are still ongoing in FY24. Of all conservation projects active in FY23, **SEVEN** were initiated in FY23, and **ELEVEN** were initiated in FY22 or before.

In total, the City has allocated **\$1,567,800.05** for these projects, the earliest of which began in FY20; of these funds, **\$269,147.58** was authorized for conservation projects initiated in FY23.

Dennis Oppenheim *Radiant Fountains*, 2010
Bush Intercontinental Airport, District B
Conserved April 2022

Photo Courtesy of Houston Arts Alliance



CONSERVATION PROJECTS

Table 5

LOA #	LOA DATE	INITIATED	PROJECT TYPE	DEPARTMENT	DISTRICT	PROJECT NAME	END OF FY23 STATUS	AUTHORIZED FUNDS
LOA 006	12/17/2019	FY20	Conservation	HPD	C	"Houston Police Officer's Memorial "	Closed Out	\$3,370.00
LOA No. 26	12/18/2020	FY21	Conservation	HAS	B	"Radiant Fountains"	Closed Out	\$1,130,086.29
LOA No. 32R1	6/21/2021	FY21	Conservation	HAS	B	"Beakdwork" by Hirschfield	Ongoing	\$55,035.25
LOA 0015	8/25/2021	FY22	Conservation	HPARD	D	"Schnitzer Fountain Sculpture" Conservation	Closed Out	\$11,058.75
LOA 0019	10/26/2021	FY22	Conservation	HPL	I	"Geometric Mouse (Scale X)" Conservation	Closed Out	\$12,043.75
LOA 0020	10/26/2021	FY22	Conservation	HPL	H	"Metamorphosis" Conservation	Closed Out	\$6,258.75
LOA 0021	1/19/2022	FY22	Conservation	GSD	H	"Allen Bros" Conservation + Plaque	Ongoing	\$13,773.74
LOA No 50	3/9/2022	FY22	Conservation	HAS	I	"Somewhere Between Here and There" Conservation	Closed Out	\$17,817.50
LOA 0024	3/29/2022	FY22	Conservation	HPD	C	"Houston Police Officer's Memorial' Conservation	Closed Out	\$15,891.94
LOA 0025	5/6/2022	FY22	Conservation	HPARD	D	'George Herman Statue" Removal and Storage	Closed Out	\$10,947.75
LOA 0026	6/6/2022	FY22	Conservation	GSD	C	Mayoral Portraits	Ongoing	\$22,368.75
LOA 0028	7/7/2022	FY23	Conservation	HPL	I	"Geometric Mouse (Scale X)" Conservation	Initiated / Closed Out	\$1,277.24
LOA No. 51R1	7/13/2022	FY23	Conservation	HAS	B	Conservation for "Travel Light"	Initiated / Closed Out	\$86,575.27
LOA 0027	8/19/2022	FY23	Conservation	HFD	I	"Appreci8" Conservation	Initiated/Completed	\$13,442.50
LOA 0030	9/19/2022	FY23	Conservation	HPL	D	"Books of a Feather" Conservation	Initiated/Closed Out	\$12,625.75
LOA 0032	10/12/2022	FY23	Conservation	HPARD	D	"George Hermann Statue" Removal (Additional Funds)	Initiated/Closed Out	\$7,804.75
LOA 0035	1/26/2023	FY23	Conservation	HPD	C	"HPD Officers Memorial" Restoration	Initiated / Ongoing	\$44,533.41
LOA No. 53	3/17/2023	FY23	Conservation	HAS	B	"Mickey Leland" Conservation	Initiated / Ongoing	\$102,888.66



COLLECTION MANAGEMENT

FY23 saw **SEVEN** projects active for collection management addressing artworks city-wide. Among these projects, **THREE** were initiated within FY23; **FOUR** were initiated in FY22 or before.

In total, the City has allocated **\$330,293.50** for these projects; of these funds, **\$165,981.00** was authorized for new collection management projects initiated in FY23.

Irene Antonia Diane Reece *That Sunnyside Pride, 2023*
Sunnyside Multi-Service Center, District D

Photographer: Alex Barber



COLLECTION MANAGEMENT & OTHER SERVICES

Table 6

LOA #	LOA DATE	INITIATED	PROJECT TYPE	DEPARTMENT	DISTRICT	PROJECT NAME	END OF FY23 STATUS	AUTHORIZED FUNDS
LOA 004	1/15/2020	FY20	Collection Management	GG	Various	Civic Art Collection Management	Ongoing	\$19,140.00
LOA No. 22	5/5/2020	FY20	Collection Management	HAS	B + I	Collection Management + Other Services	Ongoing	\$28,380.00
LOA 011	5/10/2021	FY21	Collection Management	GSD	Various	Collection Management - Additional	Ongoing	\$39,792.50
LOA No. 34	6/23/2021	FY21	Collection Management	HAS	B + I	Exhibition & Display (2)	Ongoing	\$77,000.00
LOA No. 52	8/19/2022	FY23	Collection Management	HAS	B + I	HAS Plaques (600)	Initiated / Ongoing	\$14,302.00
LOA 0036	3/9/2023	FY23	Collection Management	MOCA	ALL	Gifts and Deaccessions Recommendations	Initiated / Ongoing	\$14,300.00



TEMPORARY ART

Permits Issued

Each fiscal year MOCA works with City of Houston departments to authorize the installation of non-permanent artworks on City of Houston property. Temporary Art Permits, issued by city departments, are approved through an inter-departmental process which begins with artwork proposal submissions to MOCA.

In FY23 **SEVEN** permits for temporary artworks were issued for limited-term placement on City property in **FOUR** Council Districts (C, G, H, and I); in total, permits issued during FY22 allowed for the placement of **THIRTY-EIGHT** temporary artworks across the City of Houston.

Reginald Adams Houston's *Absolute Equity* Mural, 2023
The African American Library, District C

Photo Courtesy of Houston Public Library



PERMITS ISSUED FOR TEMPORARY ART

Table 7

PROJECT	ARTWORKS INSTALLED	REQUESTED BY	CITY PROPERTY	PERMITTING DEPARTMENT	DISTRICT
Ture North 2023	10	Redbud Projects	Heights Boulevard	HPARD	C
2023 Richmond Avenue Public Art Trail	10	Redbud Projects	Richmond Avenue	HPARD	G
Rose River Memorial	1	Marcos Lutyens	Tranquility Park	HPARD	I
Men's Final Four Bracket	1	NCAA Organizing Committee	Hermann Square/ City Hall	HPARD	I
2024 Richmond Avenue Public Art Trail	10	Redbud Projects	Richmond Avenue	HPARD	G
Absolute Equality	1	Reginald Adams	The African American Library	HPL	C
The Music of My 5	5	5th Ward Cultural Arts District	Lyons Avenue Right of Ways	HPW	H



MINI MURALS

The Traffic Signal Control Cabinet (TSCC) Art Program is an initiative to bring more public art to neighborhoods in the City of Houston. The program is overseen by the MOCA in collaboration with Houston Public Works (HPW). The TSCC murals executed through project management by Up Art Studio, a contracting partner, are known as “Mini-Murals.”

The TSCC Mural program was on hiatus in FY23, during which program improvements were made and a new contract prepared for City Council approval. This program will be reinstated in FY24.

Sylvia Blanco *Magnolia Park*
75th @ Harrisbug, District I

Photo Courtesy of UP Art Studio





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