

UTILITY BOX SUBMISSIONS PHASE II

August 1, 2023



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Phase I of this project was launched in 2018 and installed 11 utility box wraps by local artists, including two youth participants

Phase II includes:

- 12 locations thought out the city
- Several locations with multiple boxes
- Each artist will receive a stipend of \$600 regardless of number of boxes at location
- Location 16 has two boxes, the CAC recommends splitting this location between two artists and awarding two stipends; these artists are both under the age of 13 and are siblings



LOCATION MAP



Existing and new locations for Phases I and II of Utility Box Beautification Project

- 1 – 12** – Existing utility boxes, wrapped in Phase I
- 12 – 23** – Available boxes for Phase II
- 16** – Location has 2 boxes, BOTH boxes must be included in the proposal
- 13 and 18** – Location has 3 boxes, ALL boxes must be included in the proposal



ILANA BUHOLZER – 12

Name:

Ilana Buholzer

MB Association:

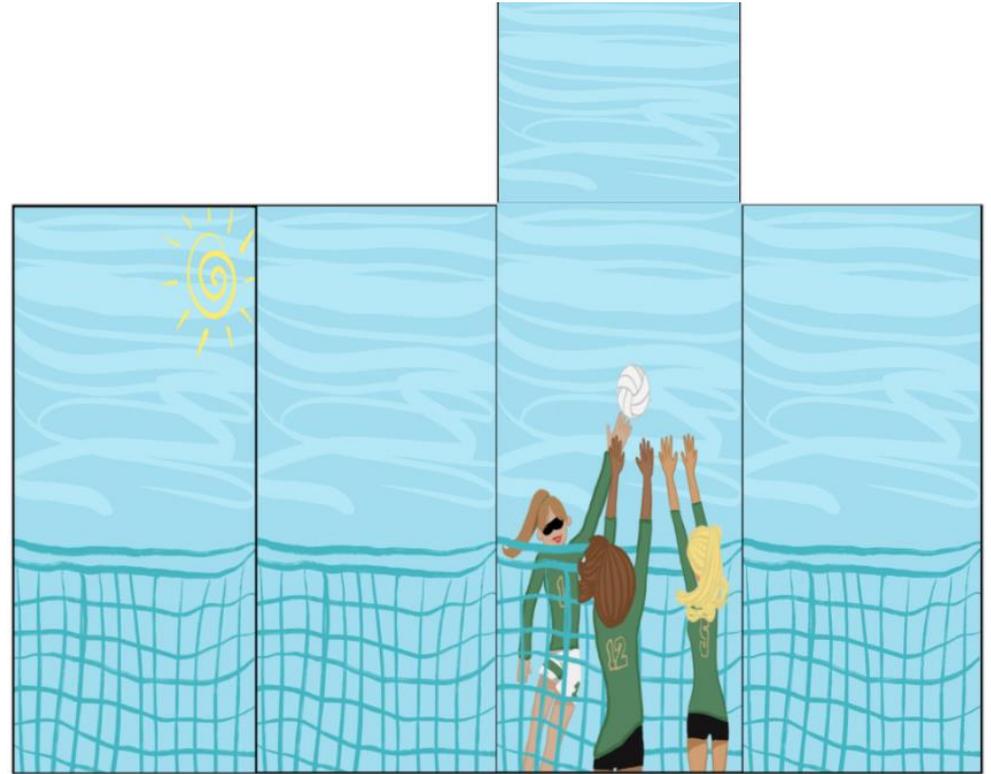
Lives, attends school in MB

Over 18:

No

Box Location:

12 – Artesia Blvd. and Meadows Ave

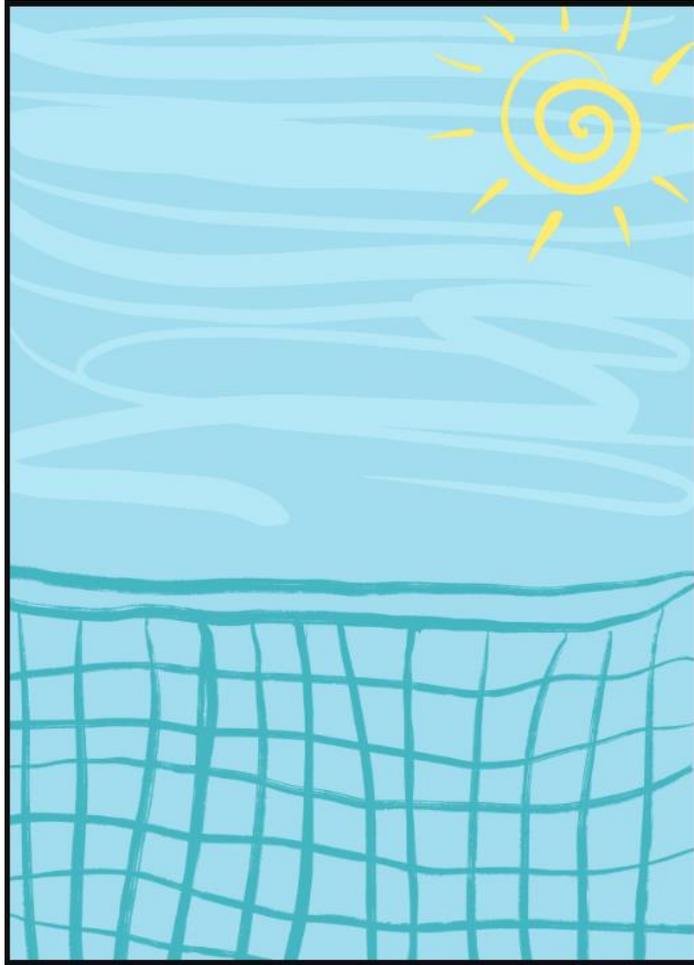


Description:

My design shows Manhattan Beach’s Mira Costa Girls Volleyball playing and training for volleyball! The theme includes a depiction of our community supporting youth athletics in Manhattan Beach, and specifically Mira Costa High School’s athletes!



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EMILY TANAKA – 13A

Waves Abstract Splayed View

Name:

Emily Tanaka

MB Association:

Works in MB

Over 18:

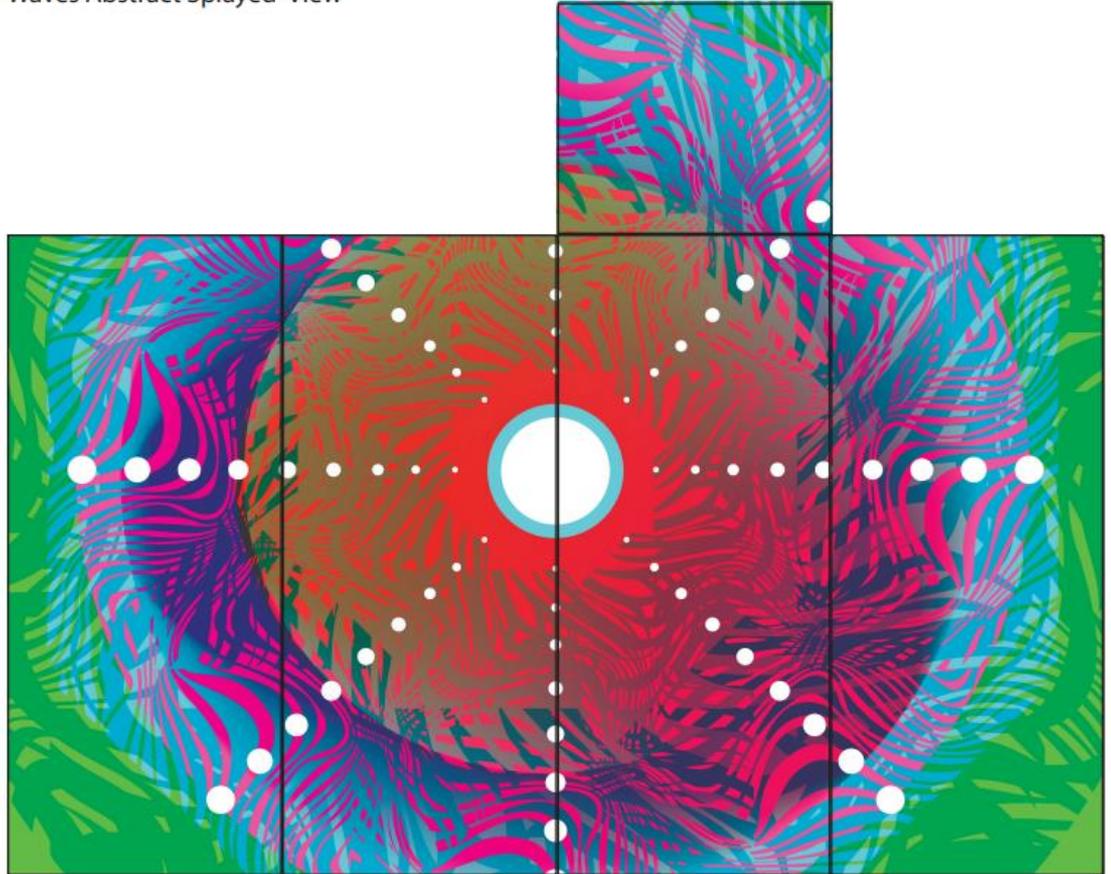
Yes

Box Location:

13 – Aviation Blvd. and MBB

Description:

Waves abstract digital vector painting

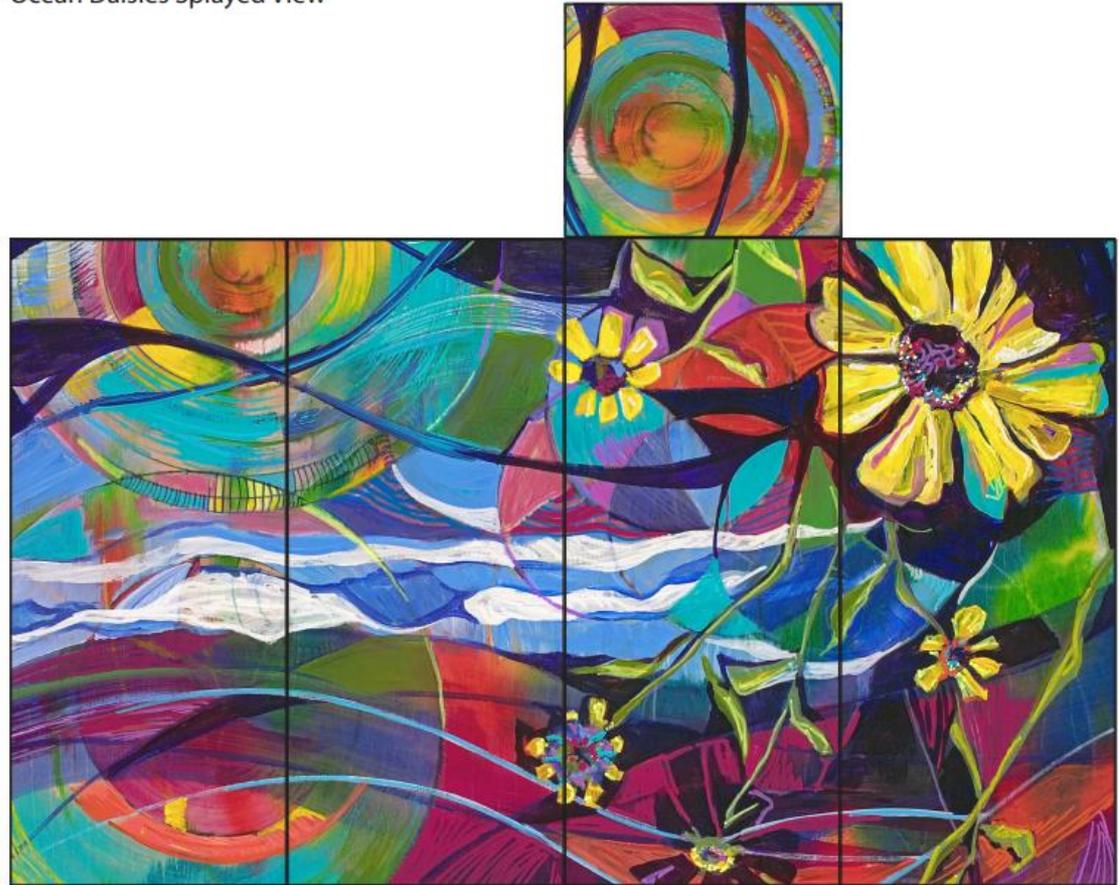


EMILY TANAKA – 13 B

Description:

Ocean Daisies - local flora with ocean, original painting- professionally photographed to enable large format printing.

Ocean Daisies Splayed View

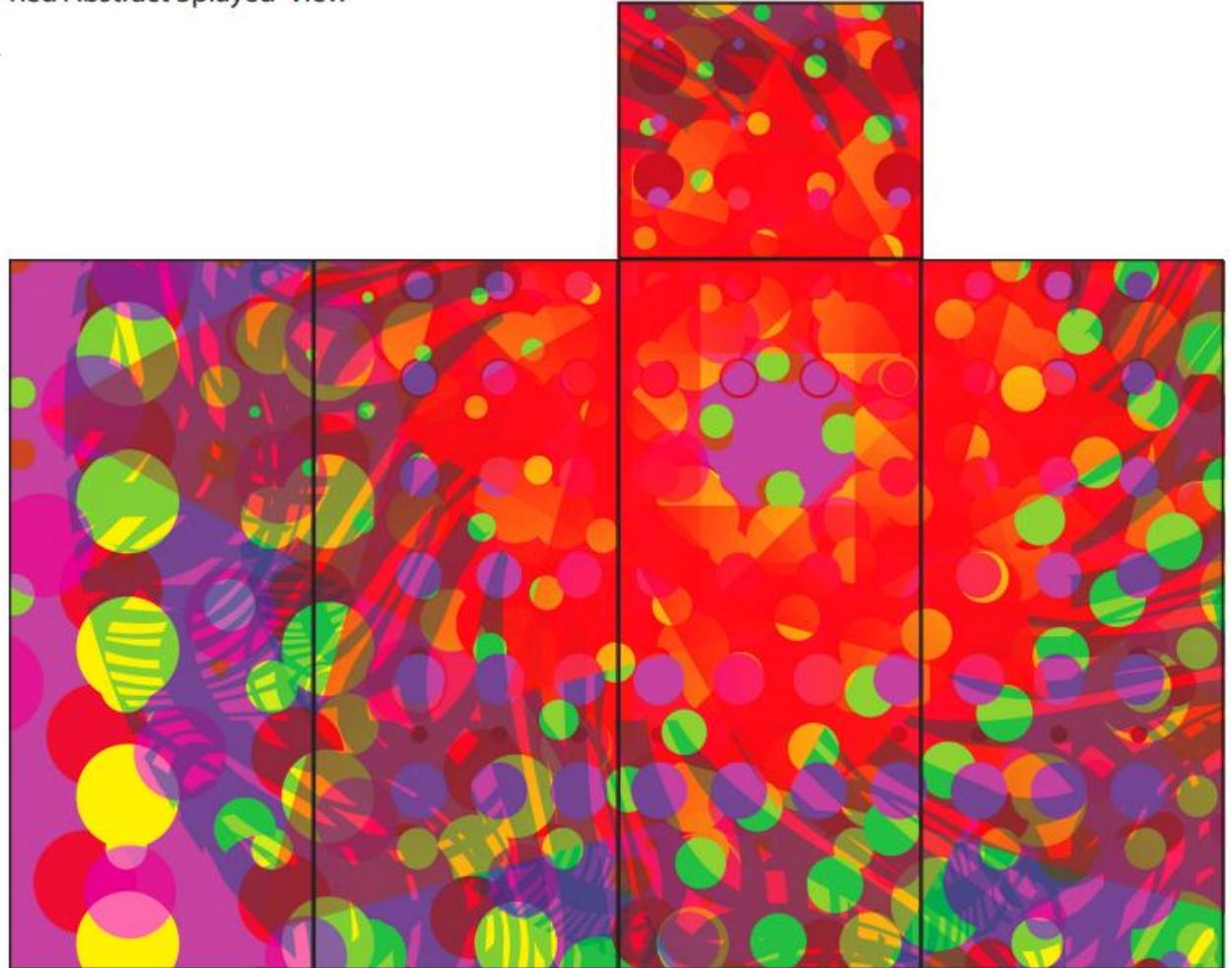


EMILY TANAKA – 13C

Description:

Red abstract digital vector painting

Red Abstract Splayed View



EMILY TANAKA – 13



ARMELLE VERVIALLE NGO – 14

Name:

Armelle Vervialle Ngo

MB Association:

Child attends MB school

Over 18:

Yes

Box Location:

14 – Sepulveda Blvd and MBB
(in front of Target)

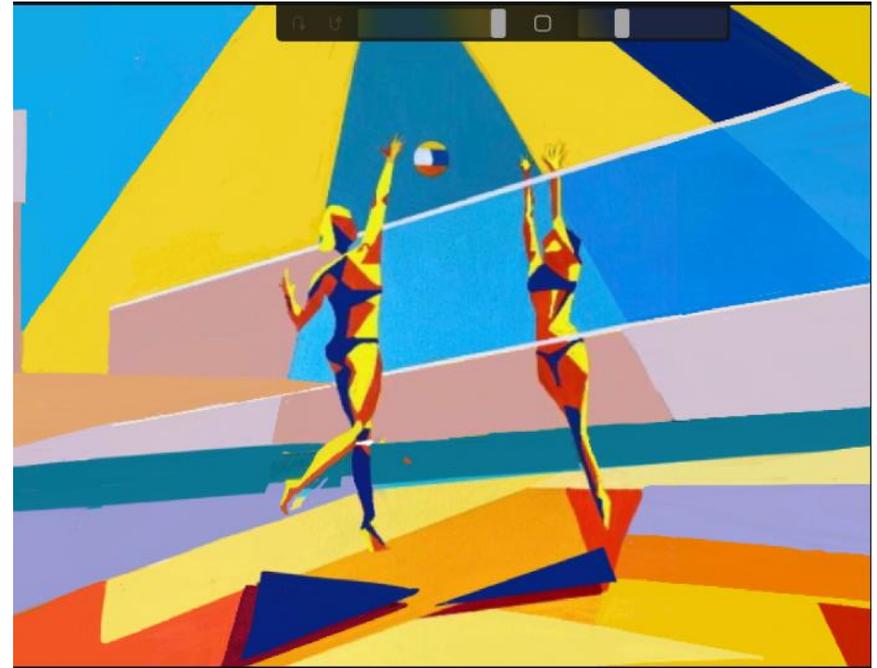
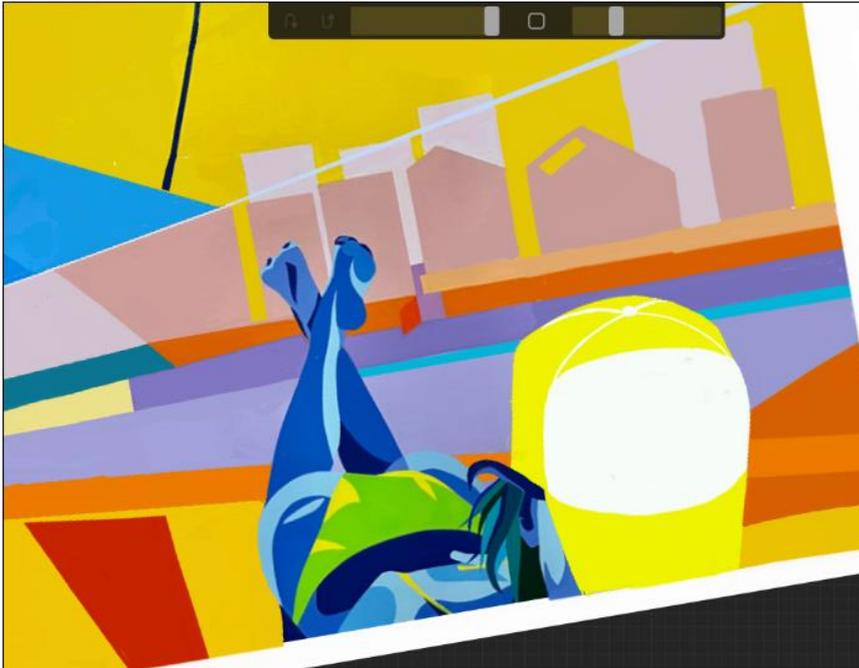


Description:

The artwork I chose is a beach scene I created by combining two of my previous works. It depicts a girl chilling on the sand while two others are playing beach volleyball and is a typical example of my personal painting style, made of bold colors and geometric shapes.



ARMELLE VERVIALLE NGO – 14



ARMELLE VERVIALLE NGO – 14



DRICA LOBO – 15

Name:

Drica Lobo

MB Association:

Works in MB

Over 18:

Yes

Box Location:

15 – Sepulveda Blvd and MBB
(in front of Wells Fargo)

Description:

Sunset colors and wave crashing on a beautiful beach, with flowers and sea birds.



DRICA LOBO – 15



DRICA LOBO – 15



ISABELLA LUI – 16A

Name:

Isabella Lui

MB Association:

Attends school and Girl Scouts in MB

Over 18:

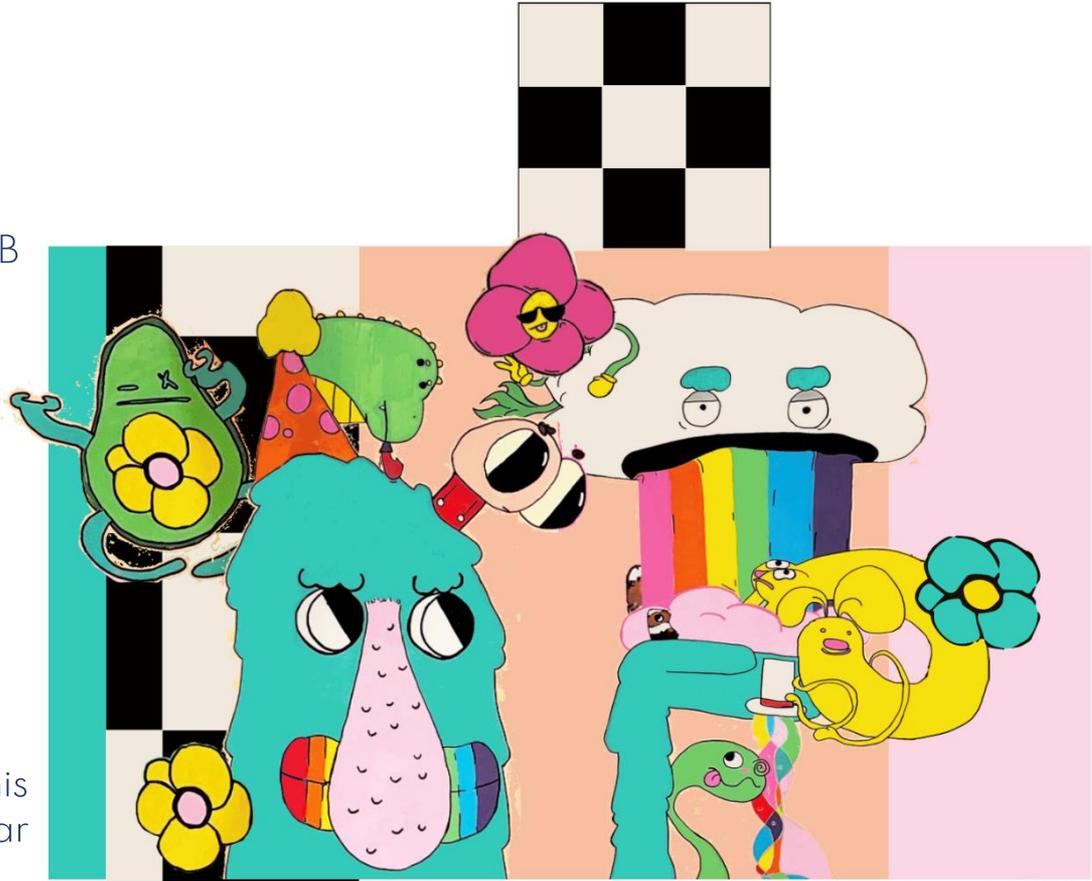
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Box Location:

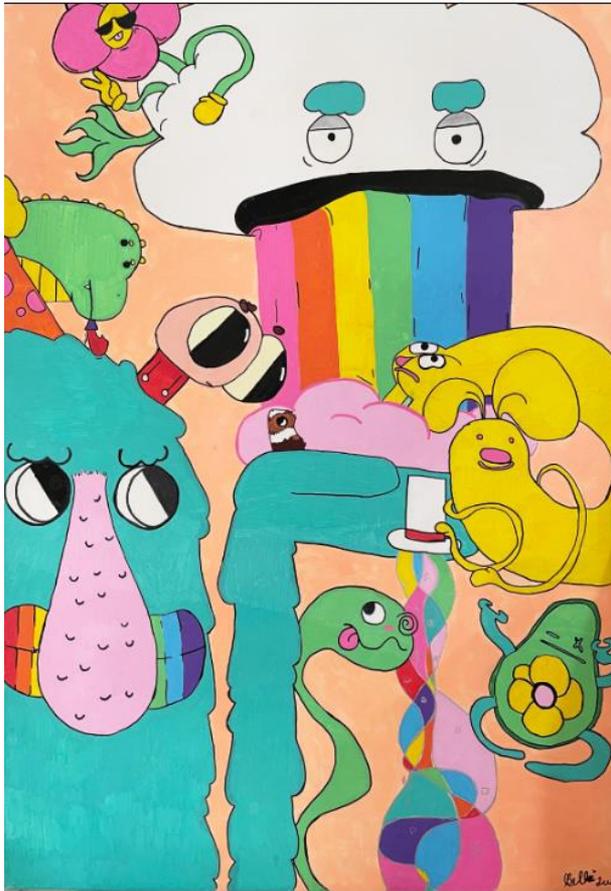
16 – MBB and Poinsettia Ave

Description:

Title: Inside An Artist's Mind - This piece explains the inside of a 12 year old mind.



ISABELLA LUI – 16A



AUDEN LUI – 16B

Name:

Auden Lui

MB Association:

Attends school in MB

Over 18:

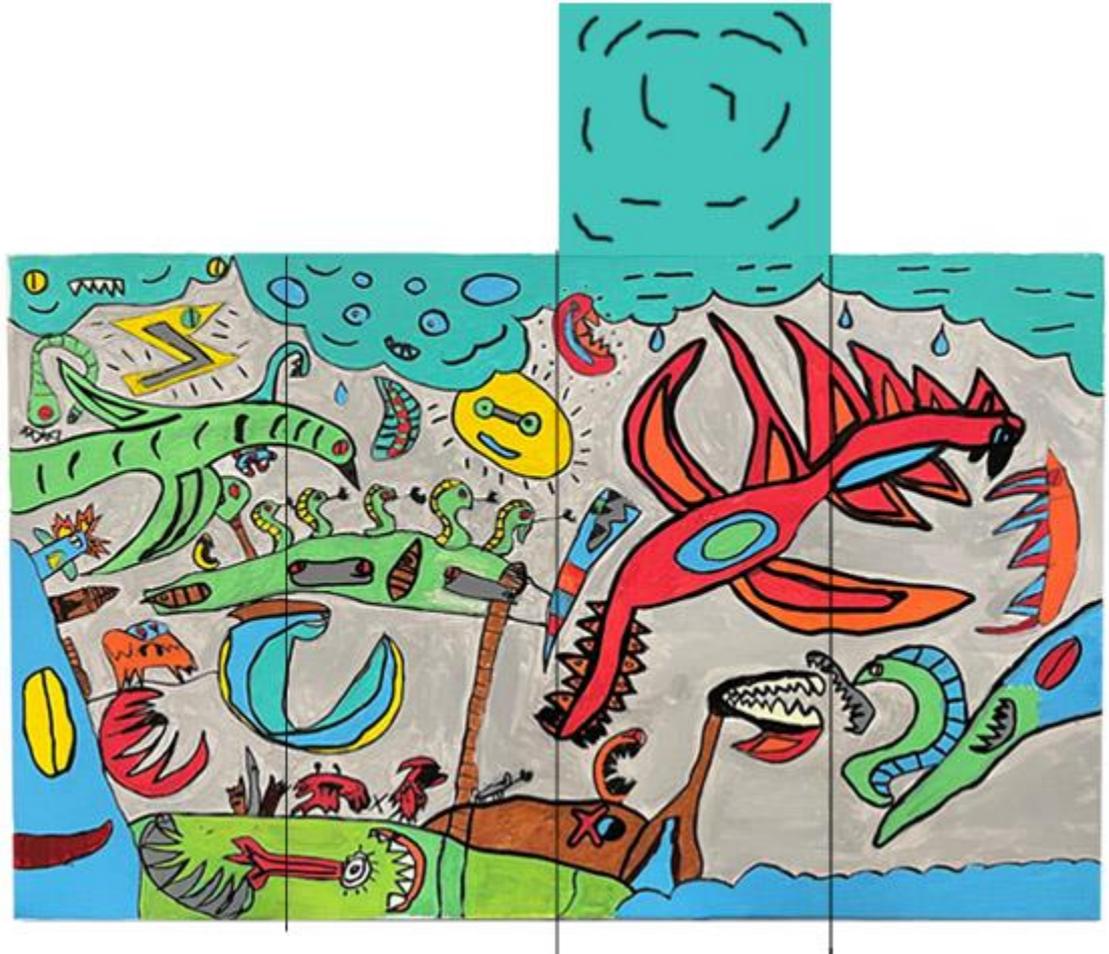
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Box Location:

16 – MBB and Poinsettia Ave.

Description:

Title: MONSTER LAND - This is a scene of the monster world, with the monsters living in their habitat.



AUDEN LUI – 16B



ISABELLA & AUDEN LUI – 16



CHARLES BRAGG – 17

Name:

Charles Bragg

MB Association:

Lives, works in MB

Over 18:

Yes

Box Location:

17 – MBB and John St.



Description:

Artwork is a composite of pelican photos I took at El Porto. I would also paint the utility box cement base the color of beach sand. I have surfed El Porto on a weekly basis for 30 years. Pelicans are Zen masters of riding the air waves. They should be represented and introduced to anyone who goes to the beach.

CHARLES BRAGG - 17



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ROBERT BLACK – 18

Name:

Robert Black

MB Association:

Lives, child is in school in MB

Over 18:

Yes

Box Location:

18 – MBB and Valley Dr.

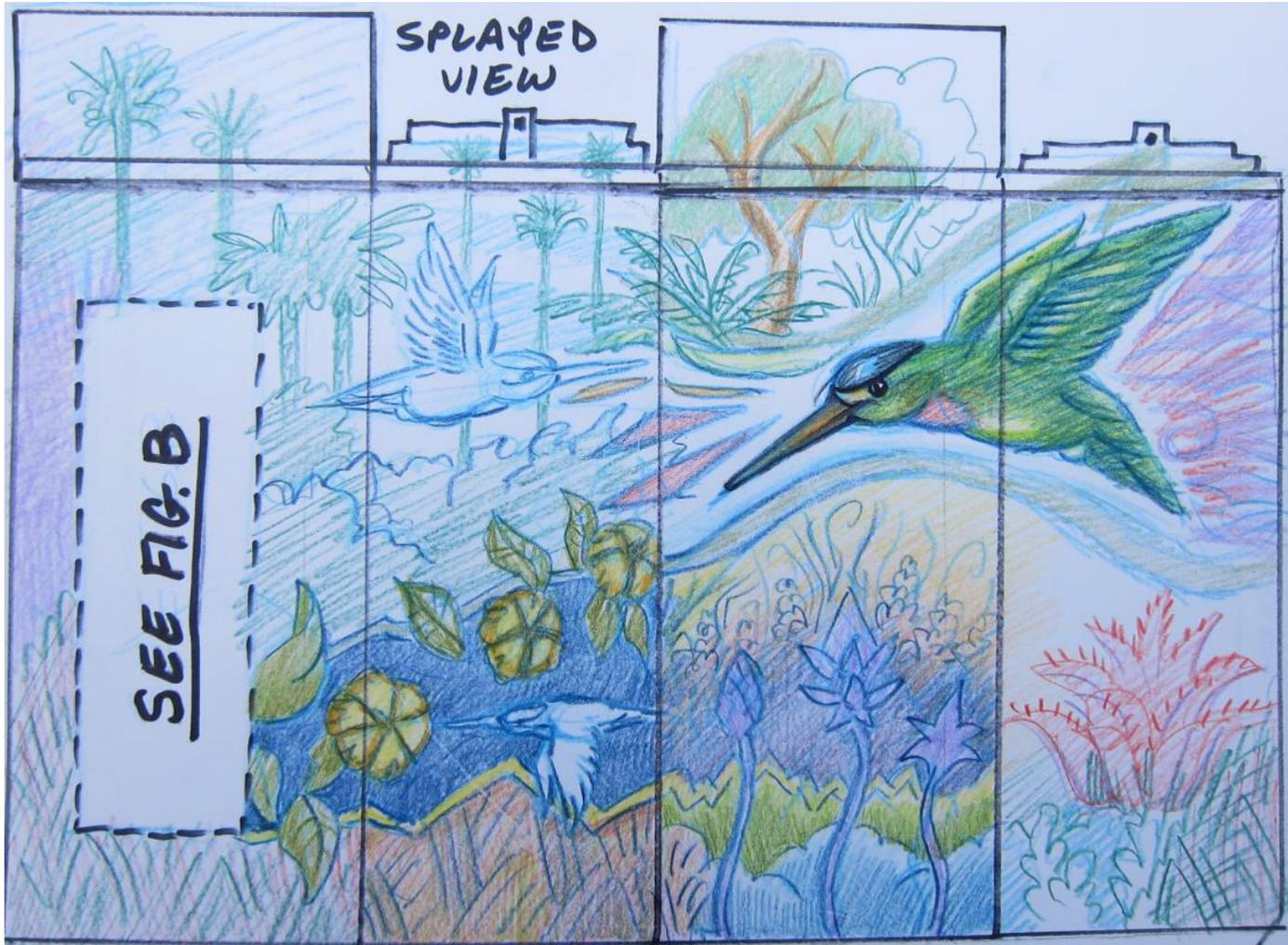


Description:

The main focal points are hummingbirds seen in various modes of flight shown on all sides of the utility boxes, some small and some large. The backgrounds are somewhat abstract and show the beauty and various plant life that can be found in the surrounding landscape of Manhattan Beach. The idea is to create a design that is eye catching, beautiful, and complements the surrounding areas where the utility boxes are located. I have specifically chosen this location.



ROBERT BLACK – 18



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RYAN CARDONE – 19

Name:

Ryan Cardone

MB Association:

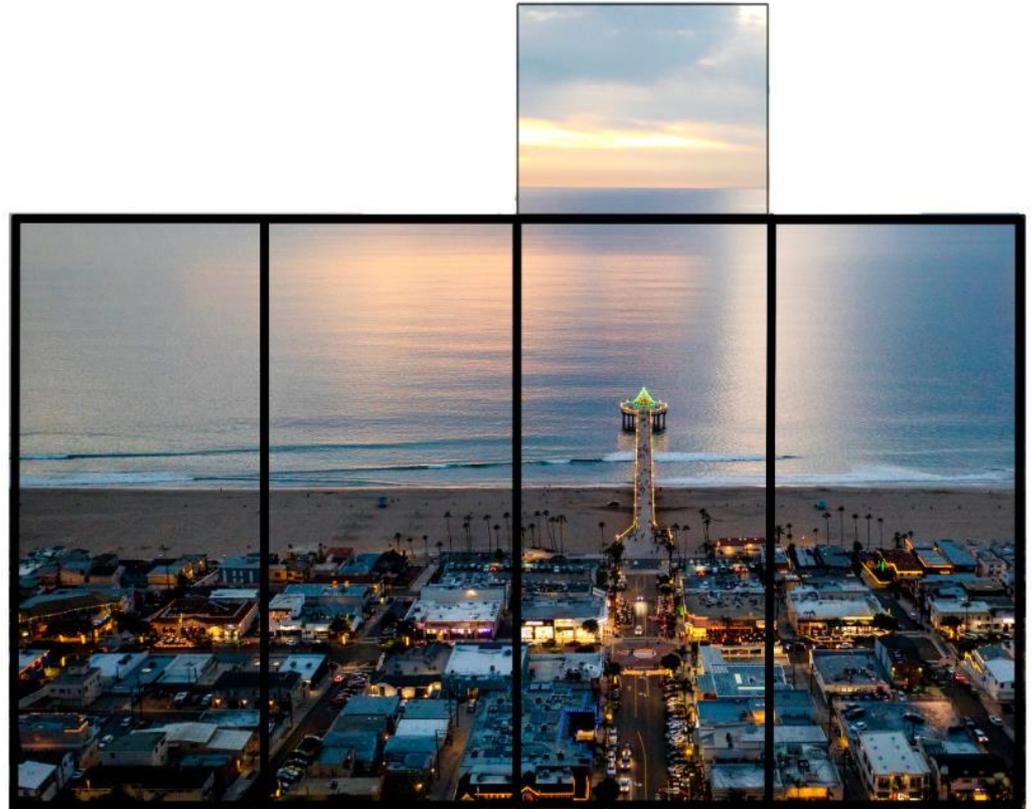
Lives in MB

Over 18:

Yes

Box Location:

19 – Marine Ave. and Cedar Ave.

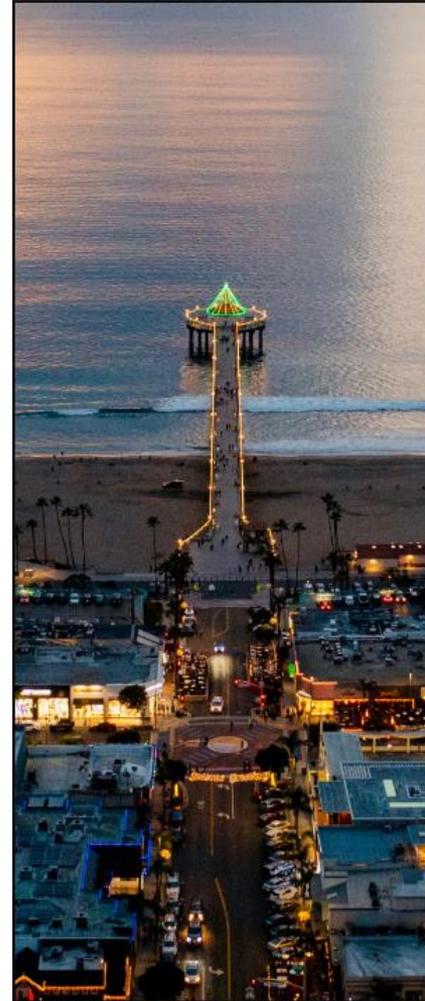


Description:

"Downtown" - Downtown Manhattan Beach on a lovely winter sunset. I love wintertime in Manhattan Beach. So many family fun things to do and see. I took this photo by drone and love how it shows the Holiday sprit that Manhattan Beach displays. Also locals know that wintertime is usually the best time to see some of the most amazing sunsets!



RYAN CARDONE – 19



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JOANNA GAREL – 20

Name:

Joanna Garel

MB Association:

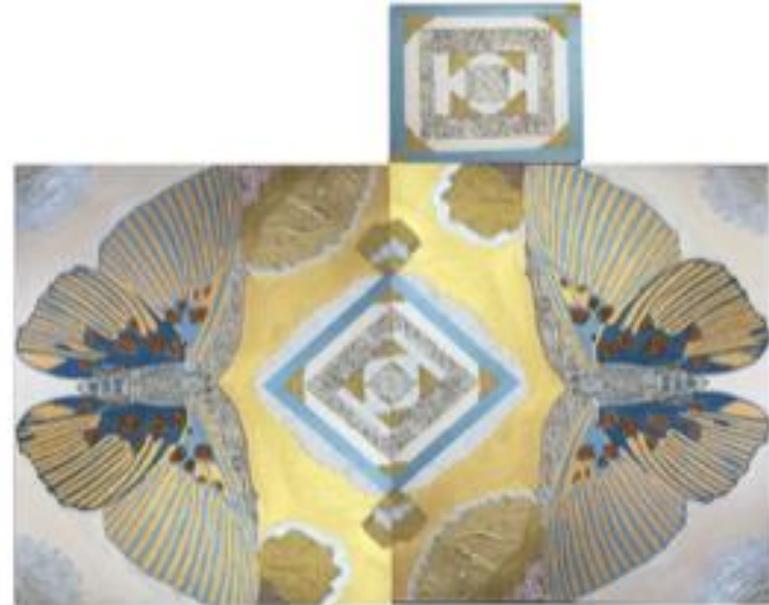
Lives, works, and is a muralist in MB

Over 18:

Yes

Box Location:

20 – Redondo Ave. and Marine Ave.

**Description:**

I propose an extension of the theme of my previous work GOLDEN BUTTERFLIES mural at the MB city hall (elevator shaft). The El Segundo Blue Butterflies are endangered and also native to Manhattan Beach (despite the name:). This is an ode to the history of these beautiful creatures in our community. Butterflies symbolize transformation and new beginnings as our community strives to continually embrace and adapt to the changing times and perspectives. The new design on the box will be a fresh visual bouquet within the community, that will hopefully spark a conversation. Why the butterflies? They are a part of our history.



JOANNA GAREL – 20



JOANNA GAREL – 20



ELSA CASTANEDA – 21

Name:

Elsa Castaneda

MB Association:

Lives in MB

Over 18:

Yes

Box Location:

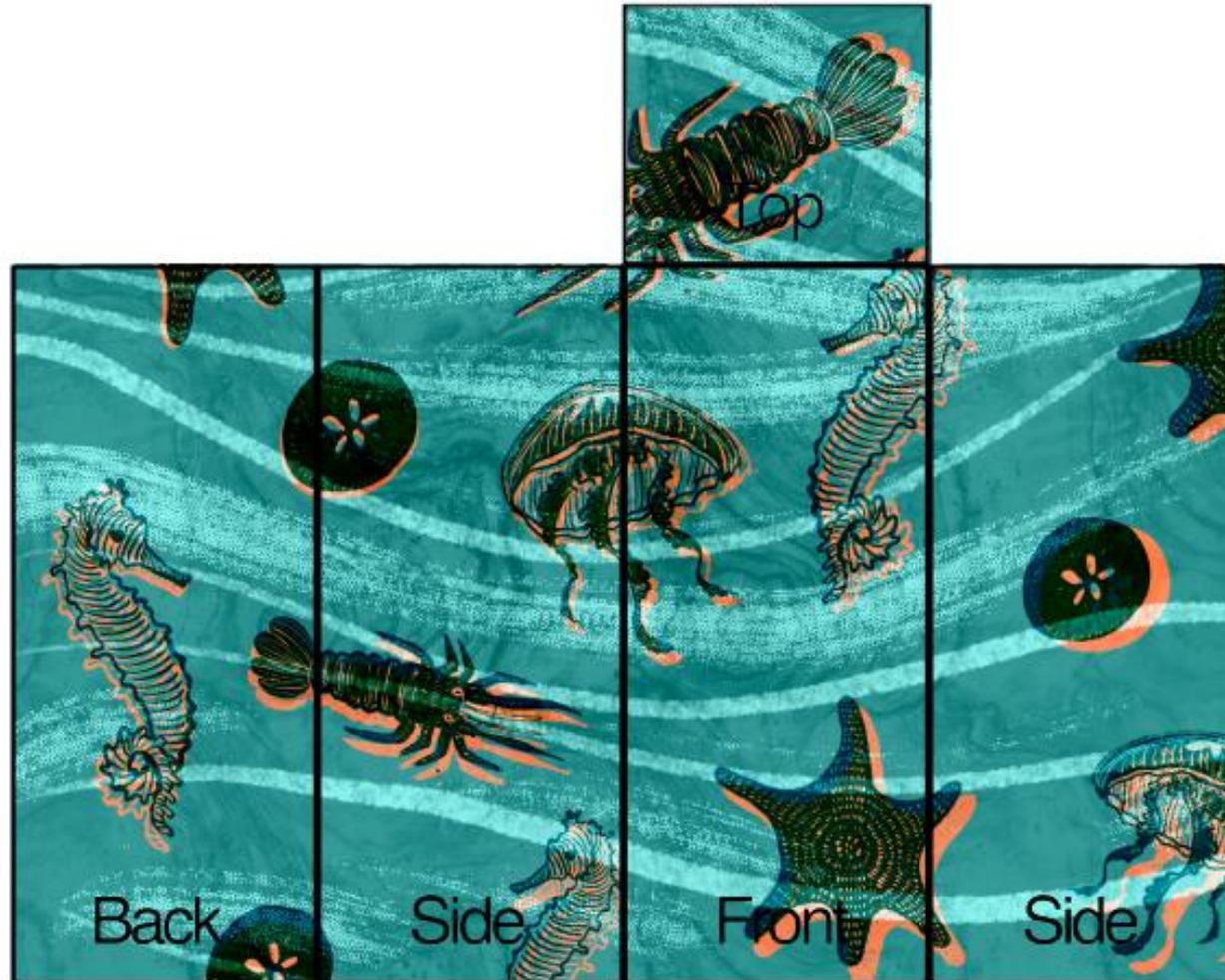
21 – Rosecrans Ave. and Village Dr.

Description:

The concept for this design celebrates the many sea creatures that reside on our South Bay beaches as well as at the Roundhouse Aquarium at Manhattan Beach Pier.



ELSA CASTANEDA – 21



ELSA CASTANEDA – 21



NELI SIMON – 22

Name:

Neli Simon

MB Association:

Attends school in MB

Over 18:

Yes

Box Location:

22 – Rosecrans Ave. and Pacific Ave.

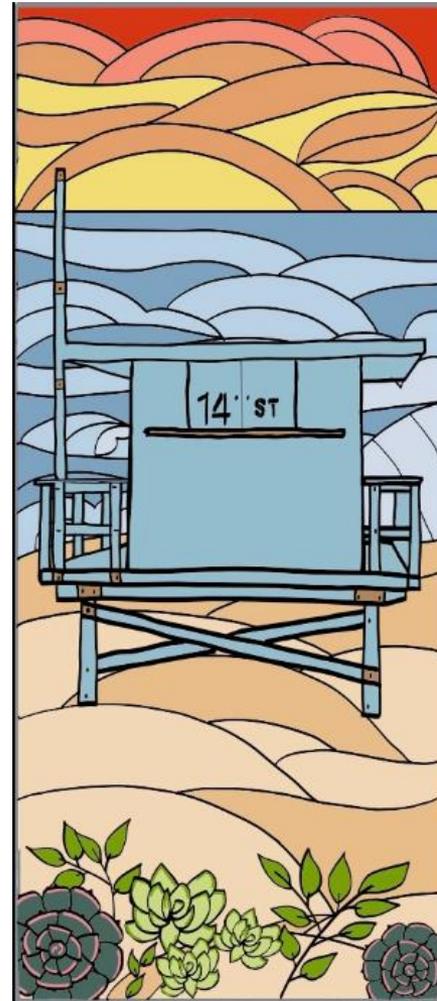
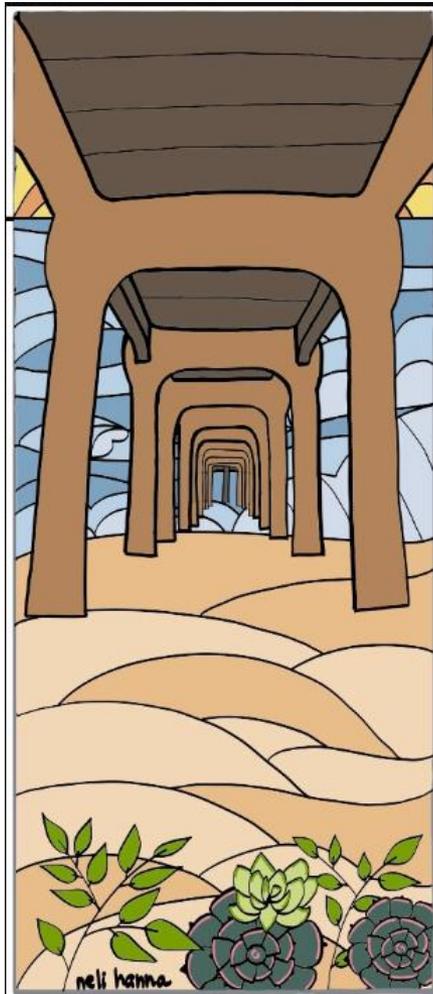


Description:

My design is based on what comes to my mind when I think of Manhattan Beach: walking under the pier between the columns, watching the surfers, attending the beach volleyball competition, ending the day with a beautiful sunset. You'll always find me next to the 14th St. tower, so I wanted to portray that too. I love Manhattan Beach and would be so honored to have my art representing it.



NELI SIMON – 22



NELI SIMON – 22



TONY GONZALEZ – 23

Name:

Tony Gonzalez

MB Association:

Lives, works in MB

Over 18:

Yes

Box Location:

23 – Highland Ave. and 45th St.



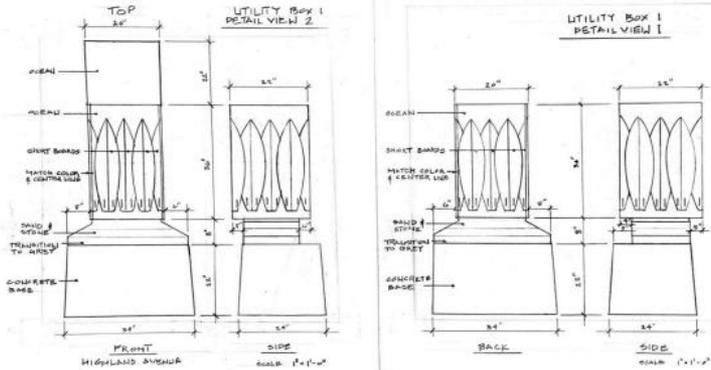
Description:

This location is the northern geographic marker of departure from and return to Manhattan Beach and the artwork will be mostly viewed from a moving vehicle. The iconic surfboards are large-scale, simple, and colorful. The utility box wraps will be both a City and a neighborhood marker to the surfing area at El Porto. Inspired by a photo I took of a beach surf camp, the two images are hand painted representing our past and present. They exemplify the surf and beach culture and will serve as a new marker for the City.

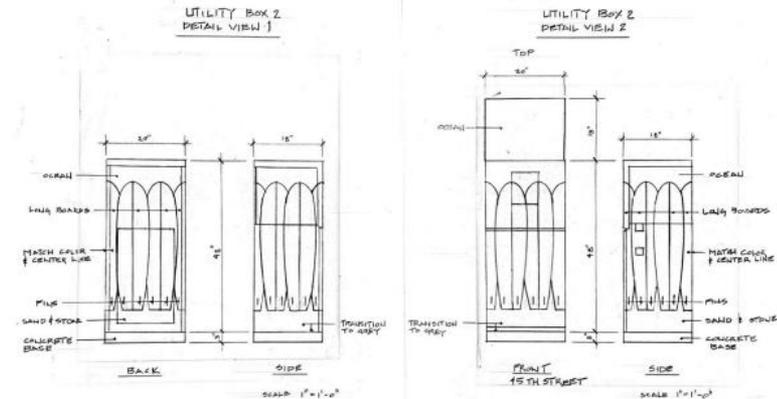


TONY GONZALEZ – 23

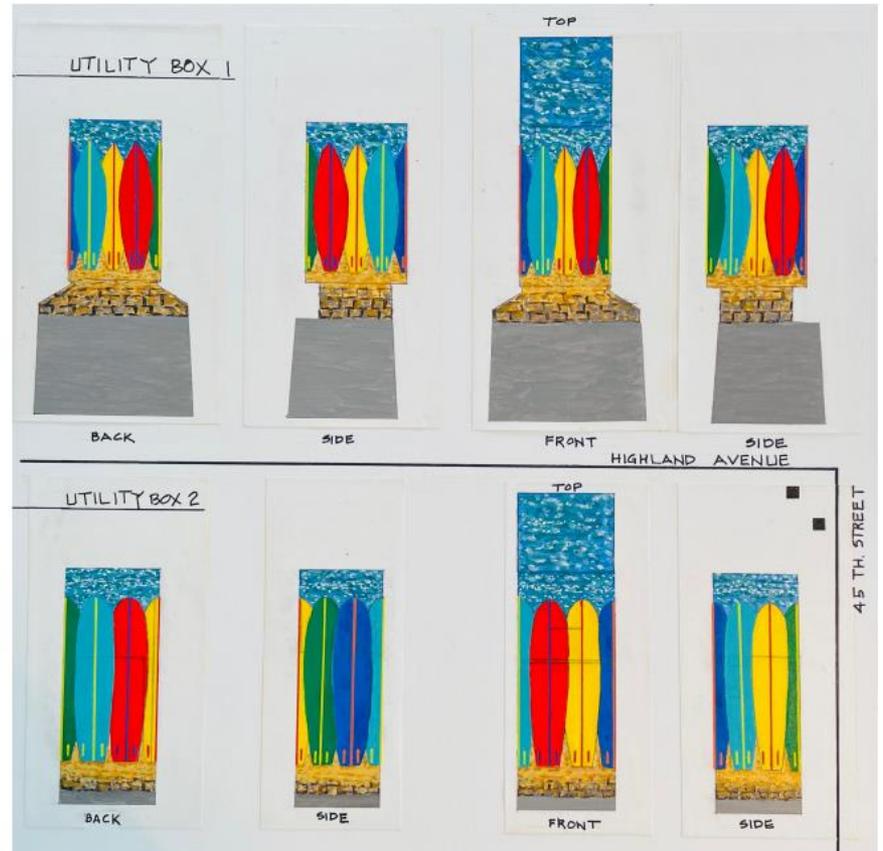
Detail Views - Box 1



Detail Views - Box 2



Splayed View Paintings - Utility Boxes 1 and 2



TONY GONZALEZ – 23



VANESA ANDRADE – ALT

Name:

Vanesa Andrade



MB Association:

Lives, works and attends art galleries and art exhibits in MB

Over 18:

Yes

Box Location:

Alternate 1



Description:

This painting is called "South Bay Botanicals" and is inspired by the flora from the land and the sea here, in Manhattan Beach. The public is invited to reflect and admire our beautiful surroundings.



VANESA ANDRADE – ALT

Name:

Vanesa Andrade

MB Association:

Lives, works and attends art galleries and art exhibits in MB

Over 18:

Yes

Box Location:

Alternate 2



ROSA CRUZ – ALT

Name:

Rosa Cruz

MB Association:

I just enjoy the beach

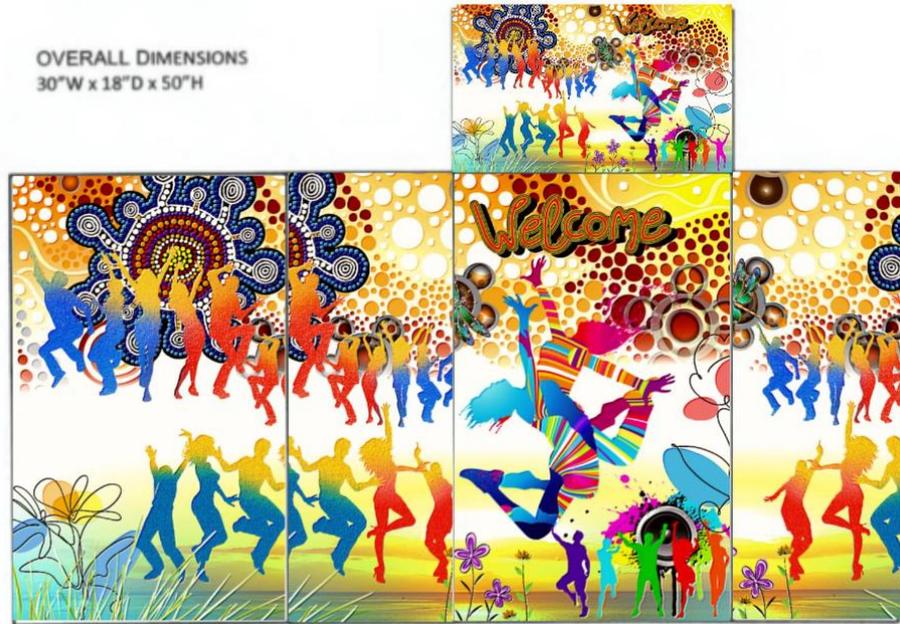
Over 18:

Yes

Box Location:

Alternate 3

OVERALL DIMENSIONS
30"W x 18"D x 50"H



Description:

"Manhattan Beach is Diversity," serves as inspiration along with the Social and Cultural Diversity that is attractive in the City, thanks to the quality of life that it provides and offers.

CONCLUSION

- Consideration of Approving Utility Box Artwork Finalist Recommendations from the Cultural Arts Commission and Disbursement of Funds of up to \$38,400 from the Public Arts Trust Fund (PATF) for the Artists' Stipends and Installation of Vinyl Artwork on Utility Boxes

Staff recommends that City Council:

- Approve Artwork and Locations
- Disburse Funds



