

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

PROCLAMATION NO. _____

Proclaiming November 2015 to be Public Art Month in Multnomah County, Oregon.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. On March 20, 1980, the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners unanimously passed a new Percent for Art program, which created a permanent funding source for public art by dedicating 1% of the total construction costs of major capital improvement projects to public art.
- b. In 1985, the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners added .33% for public education, management, and maintenance.
- c. In 2008, the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners increased the % for art to 2%, increasing the amount available for artwork, public education, management and maintenance.
- d. It is the 35th anniversary of the Percent for Art program, and Multnomah County is celebrating the collective impact and power of our public art at a special City Hall reception on November 19th.
- e. The Regional Arts & Culture Council manages the County's Public Art Program and collection, integrating a wide range of art in public spaces throughout our community.
- f. Citizens of Multnomah County now own a public art collection of more than 475 artworks, reflecting our diversity of cultures, artistic disciplines, and points of view.
- g. A tradition of a strong public art has helped enrich our landscape by selecting artwork by hundreds of renowned local, national, and international artists.
- h. Multnomah County is dedicated to supporting public art, celebrating our culturally diverse community, enhancing the built environment, and helping to build public spaces.
- i. The public art collections are accessible to everyone, including a printed public art walking tour brochure, a public art application for the iPhone, information on the RACC website, and an Instagram account (raccpdx).
- j. Multnomah County's commitment to public art has inspired other public and private entities in the region to institute their own programs, including the Port of Portland, Tri-Met, Home Forward, and Randall Children's Hospital.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:

The month of November 2015 to be PUBLIC ART MONTH in Multnomah County, Oregon. We encourage and support efforts to enrich our community with art.

ADOPTED this 12th day of November, 2015.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

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