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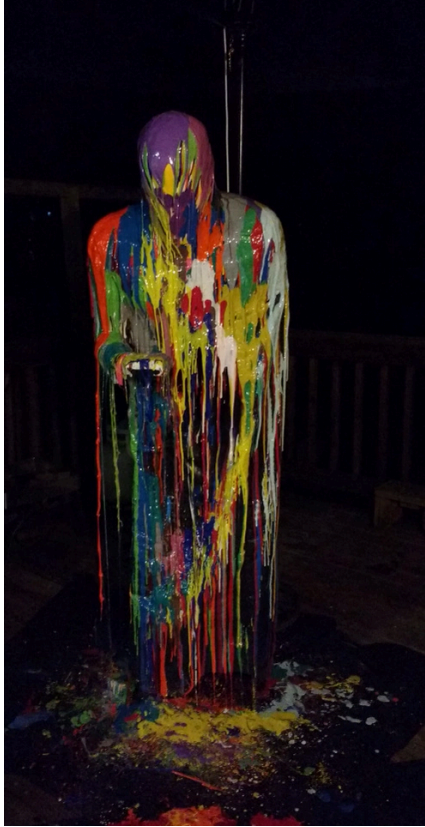
Sculpture Uncovered

City of Manassas, VA . . . In October 2015, the City of Manassas arts group began working with Northern Virginia Community College's Assistant Professor of Studio Art, Zac Jackson. The project was to work with NOVA sculpture students to produce outdoor sculptures to be displayed in the Historic Downtown area of the City of Manassas.

Jackson and his students worked to create a website where art group members could view and comment on sculpture submissions. As the projects progressed, so did the website with more commentary and photos to capture the growing sculptures. The arts committee worked with City of Manassas staff to locate sculpture pad sites for the projects and in April, the students visited the Historic Downtown to select their sites.



On May 6, 2016 during the Manassas First Friday Gallery Walk, these ten pieces will be on display around the downtown. Maps of the sculpture locations will be given out during a reception at the Center for the Arts at the Candy Factory at 5 p.m. The sculptures will be on display in downtown for a year. After that they will be replaced by the next year's art students' projects.



The 2016 artists include Alex Dorney, Paige Fischer, Audrey D'agastinio, Hunter Knight, Frank Albert, Harry Mayer, Micheal Flatequal, Harold Martin, Jessica Morales, Sarah Fischer, Christian Gallik, and Andrea Rivera. Some of the pieces were created specifically for the Historic Downtown, like Belle, a Civil War era lady or Danville, a train made of geometric shapes that represent the many trains that pass through the city. Others capture the artist's imagination, like Distracted, a representation of a person staring at their cellphone.

The Sculpture project is part of an ongoing initiative by the City of Manassas to encourage art and artistic expression. Other art projects in the city include the Banner Art Competition, the Little Bits project and other competitions held throughout the year. To find out more, visit www.manassascity.org/art.

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