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# Truckee Public Art Inventory

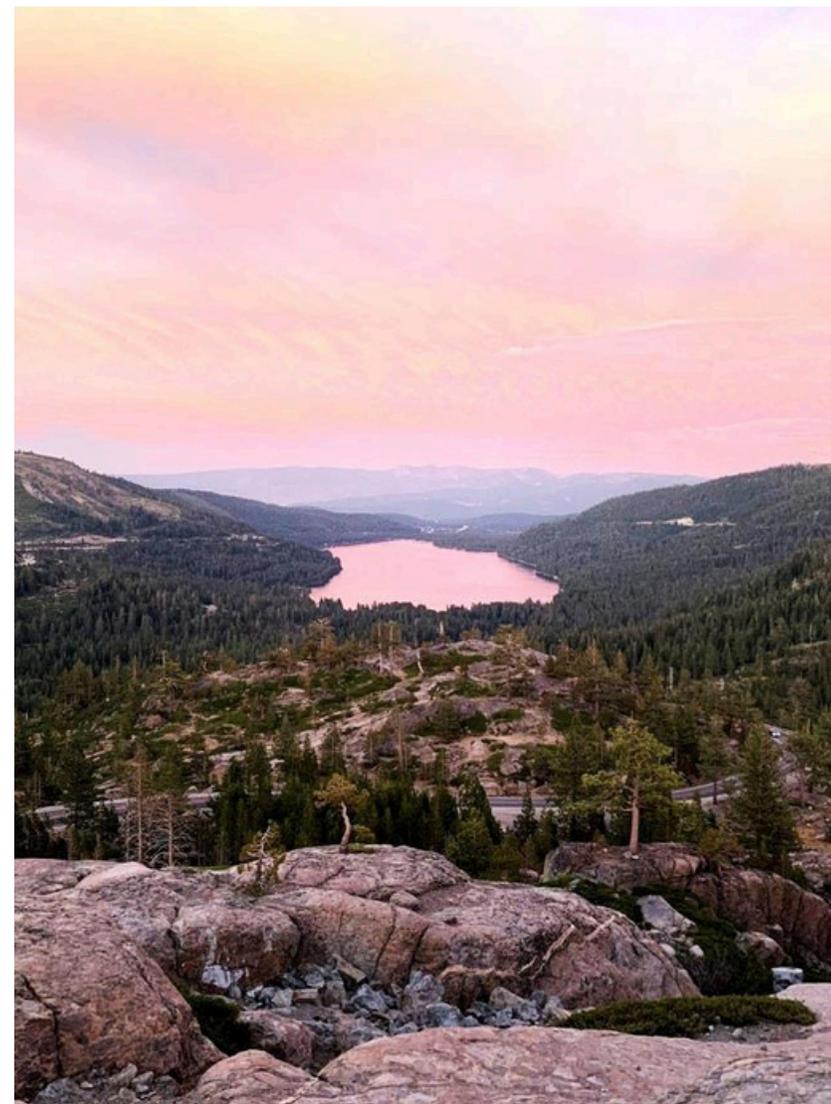
# About This Document

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This is a working document created by the [Truckee Public Art Commission](#) (PACT). Every attempt has been made to make this information as accurate as possible, but we welcome suggestions, changes, and corrections. If you have additional information about art or suggested inclusions, please fill out [this online form](#) with as much information as you have. The Art Committee will periodically review updates to this document and appreciates public input.

Note that this is a working document as art and art venues is always being added, changed, and evolving.

Though they aren't listed in this document, the PACT would like to acknowledge the very creative and artistic signage and marketing displays through the town, as well as homes that have chosen to share their creativity via fences made from bikes and skis or on-property art displays and sculpture.



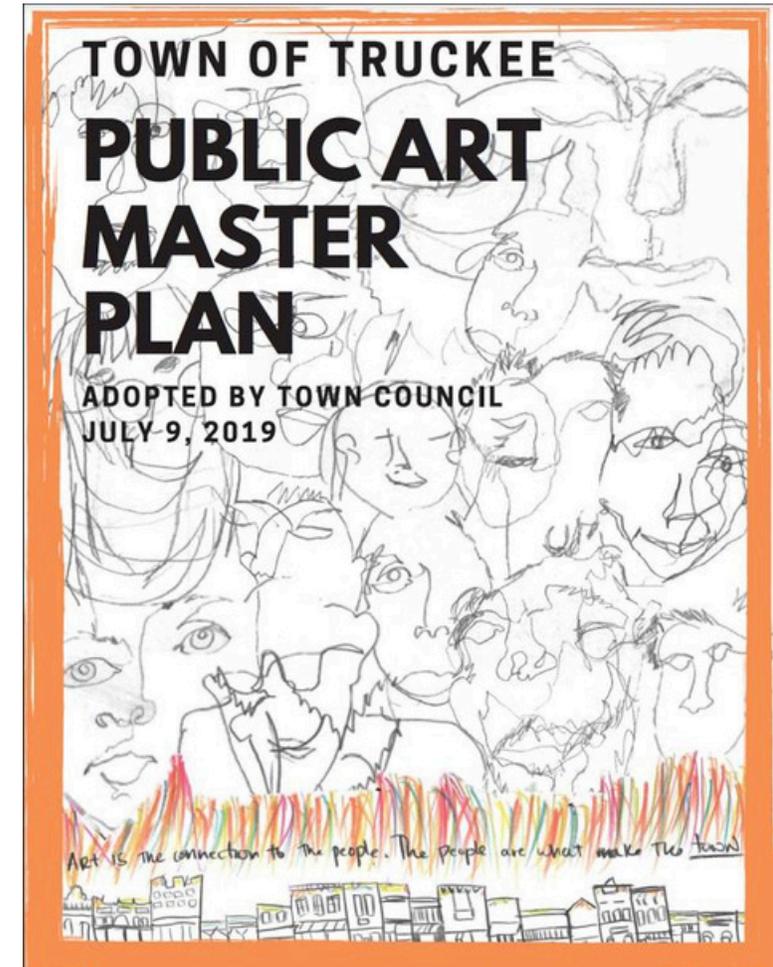
# Definition of Public Art

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Artwork of any media type, including sculpture, painting, mural, live performance or performing art (i.e. music or dance), drawings, photographs, and other similar forms of art, whether temporary or permanent, that is either owned by a public agency and placed on public property, or owned by private entities and placed in public spaces or owned by private entities, placed on private property but viewable by the public.

*-Town of Truckee Public Art Master Plan*

The purpose of this documents is to keep a record of all current and former notable public art in the town of Truckee, as well as identify opportunities to repair, update, or replace current public art.



# Current Public Art

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# El Dragon

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- Artist: Hope Smith, Florian Standteiner, & Mountain Forge
- Creation date: 2014
- Medium: Painted Metal
- Address/location: 15888 South Shore Dr. ([map](#))

“El Dragon” is at West End Beach on Donner Lake. It is based on the design of two second graders, Hope Smith and Florian Standteiner, who independently submitted Chinese dragon drawings for the bike rack design. It is meant to honor the Chinese who worked on the railroad in Truckee.

All students in Jean Fournier’s and Karen Martin’s 2nd grade classes at Glenshire Elementary submitted designs that were on public display at the Truckee Recreation District’s (TDRPD) lobby. Students traveled to the TDRPD building on field trips to view the other submissions and learn about the design process and public art.



# Weightless

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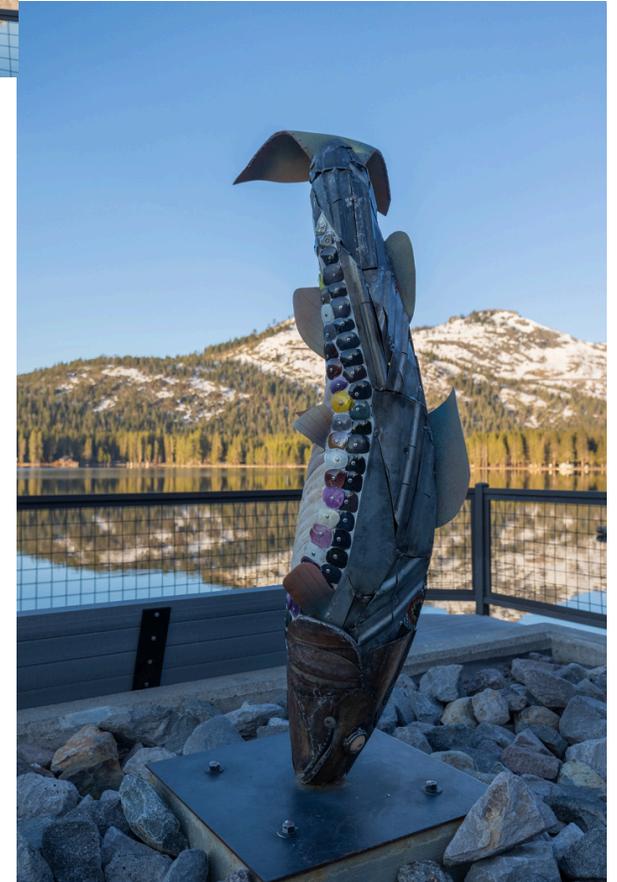
- Artists: Joel Dean Stockdill & Yustina Salnikova
- Creation date: 2023
- Medium: Litter collected from Donner Lake
- Dimensions: 5' x 1' x 1'
- Address/location: Donner Lake Boat Ramp 15511 Donner Pass Road ([map](#))



This sculpture was constructed with steel anchors, sunglasses lenses, fishing lures, and other assorted litter that was removed from the bottom of Donner Lake. It was created to honor the resident fish and wildlife species in the lake as well as encourage people to take responsibility of their own trash. The waste was collected by the non-profit organization, Clean Up The Lake.

The title of the sculpture has a layered meaning, by creating artwork using reclaimed materials, our burden as humans is 'weight less'; and in acting against pollution, we must 'wait less'.

Weightless was commissioned by the Town of Truckee and created in partnership with Clean up the Lake, Truckee-Donner Recreation and Park District, and the Parasol Tahoe Community Foundation.



# The Past, Present and Future

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Artist: Glenshire Elementary School students/Carol Sphar

Creation date: 1997

Medium: Ceramic Tiles

Dimensions: Three separate 30.5" x 39" mosaics, each created by 20 individual 7.5" square tiles.

Address/location: 12593 Donner Pass Rd. ([map](#)), along the Lakeside Interpretive Trail in Donner State Memorial Park



These three ceramic tile murals were created by 5th grade Glenshire Elementary students as an environmental science project relating to forest health shortly after the arrival of bark beetles to our region. Students studied the past, present and future of the surrounding forests in order to better understand their complexity. Interpretive programs conducted at the school by State Park Rangers explored natural history, sensitivity, archeology, Native American history, fire ecology, native plant and animal species, and natural diversity. The panels were written and designed by the students working with ceramic artist Carol Sphar. The project was funded by Alpine Winter Foundation and Sierra State Parks Foundation. Support was provided by Arts for the Schools and Glenshire Elementary. Tiles share students own words regarding protecting the environment and flora and fauna.

# Be BEAR Aware Mural

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Artist: Glenshire Elementary 2nd grade students and teachers

Creation Date: circa 1990's

Medium: Ceramic tile

Address/location: 12593 Donner Pass Rd. ([map](#)) Hallway inside admin building



The inspiration for this project, which was driven and directed by students, came while studying local bears and learning about issues concerning bear health, trash, and how to safely coexist. A volunteer artist from Tahoe City donated time and materials for each student to create a ceramic tile. A parent volunteer made the frames. The teachers and students made t-shirts, posters and brochures for a large public rally event held at Meadow Park and the students educated the public on how to be “bear safe”. The students created a logo, used the title BEAR (Be Educated And Responsible) and created and distributed brochures in the community. All tiles are marked with the year they were created.

# 1918 Pioneer Monument

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- Artist: John McQuarrie
- Creation date: 1918
- Medium: Bronze
- Dimensions: 22' base
- Address/location: 12593 Donner Pass Rd. ([map](#))

This homage to the early settlers is in Donner State Memorial Park. It's California Historical Landmark #134 and has a 22.5-foot-tall base: the same height the snow was during the 1846 Donner Party tragedy in the same location.

## Articles and more information:

[Pioneer Monument Controversy Part 1](#) (East Bay Times)

[Pioneer Monument Controversy Part 2](#) (East Bay Times)

[Emigrant Monument: Bittersweet Success](#) (Tahoe Nuggets)

[Highway 40 Scenic Bypass Pioneer Monument](#) (Tahoe Donner Historical Society)

[Donner Party Statue Upgrades](#) (Sierra Sun)



# Coffee Bar

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- Artist: Unkown
- Creation date: Unkown
- Medium: Metal and wood
- Address/location: 12047 Donner Pass Road
- This piece is located behind the counter at the Coffeebar Bakery. ([map](#))



# Sculptures in Truckee Donner Public Utility Office

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- Artist: Michael George and Anton Standteiner
- Creation date: 2019
- Medium: Tile and Metal
- Dimensions: Various
- Address/location: 11570 Donner Pass Rd, Truckee, CA 96161 ([map](#))

During a remodel by Fringe Studios in 2019, the Truckee Donner PUD installed two new pieces of art. There's an inlaid tile representation of Donner Lake and a couple of tributaries, done by Michael George.

There's also intricate metal work on the walls done by welder Anton Standteiner and a bike-shaped bike rack outside.



# Outdoor Art At Sierra Expedition Learning School

- Artist: Various
- Creation date: 2018–current
- Medium: Various
- Dimensions: Various
- Address/location: 11603 Donner Pass Rd, Truckee, CA 96161 ([map](#)). Please do not visit during school hours

There are several pieces of public art outside the Sierra Expedition Learning School, including a metal bear sculpture (completed in 2018) and a bicycle rack made from metal and wood called “Change.” The latter was completed in 2019 and was made by the sixth-grade class to encourage students to bike to school. The projected was made at the Roundhouse Maker’s Space and there’s a scannable QR code on the statue that leads to an audio clip with more information.

As of 2021, there’s also an outdoor mural called “Warming Stripes” created in wood and paint by the sixth-grade class. The mural shows a graph over time of temperatures of a warming earth. Students worked with a router for the subtractive elements. This piece inspired the temporary project that involved artist Sara Smith and students from other schools that was temporarily displayed at Tahoe Truckee’s Earth Day Festival in 2021. The original mural is now permanently installed outdoors on the SELS campus.

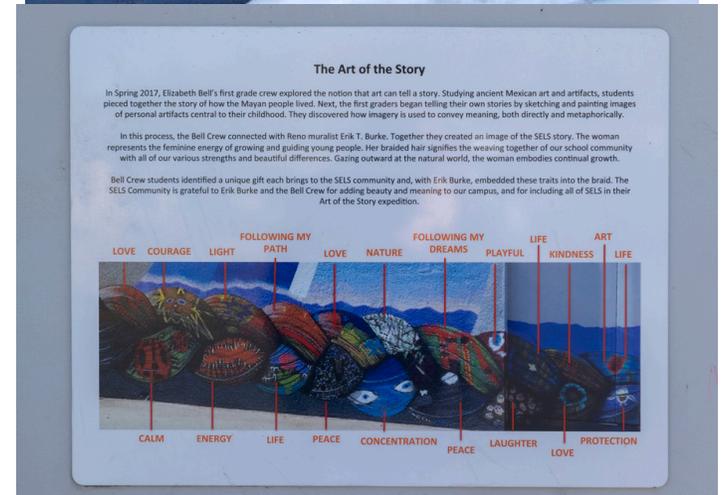


# Finding Your Fold

- Artist: Eric Burke and Sierra Expeditionary Learning School Students
- Creation date: 2017
- Medium: Mural Paint
- Address/location: 11603 Donner Pass Rd. ([map](#)). Please do not visit while school is in session.

This mural is at the Sierra Expeditionary Learning School (SELS), at 11603 Donner Pass Road on an exterior wall of the TTUSD School District Office. Artist Burke creates site-specific murals internationally. He collaborated with SELS students studying Mexican art and artifacts to create the story behind the art.

Sections of the mural include art depicting woman as nurturers, lupine flowers common to Tahoe's communities, the identifiable mountain peaks of the Tahoe area, looking towards the future, and the unity of weaving and braiding. Burke worked with students to identify what community elements they wanted to include, then the students painted their contributions that included agreed-on concepts into the braid. This art project was funded through donations from SELS families and the school's Expedition Fund.



# Animal Tracks

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- Artist: Kevin Kremler
- Creation date: 2014
- Medium: Painted Stainless Steel
- Dimensions: 3' x 7" x 7"
- Address/location: 10121 Pine Ave. ([map](#))

This stainless-steel bicycle rack series is made of painted steel. It was commissioned by Jae Gustafson for Tahoe Forest Hospital and serves as bicycle racks outside the hospital's main entrance. The bicycle racks feature paw prints of local animals.

# Rusty Ramblers

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- Artist: Anton Standteiner of Mountain Forge
- Completed: 2017
- Medium: Metal
- Address/location: Across the road from 10250 Donner Pass Rd. ([map](#))

Sometimes referred to as “The Band,” this sculpture is a “band” of four metal sculptures that suggests the flow and movement of music. This artwork was part of the Brickelltown Streetscape Improvement Project.



# High Iron

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- Artist: Bernie LaForest (Striker Forge, Inc.)
- Creation date: 2014
- Medium: Rail Steel
- Address/location: 10164 Donner Pass Rd. ([map](#)). Located In front of Como.

"High Iron" is the most vertical in the Truckee Artistic Bike Rack project. The sculpture is made of rail steel and was commissioned by the Town of Truckee.

# “Truckee Mural”

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- Artist: Rob McCarthy
- Creation date: 1993
- Medium: Acrylic Paint (?) on brick
- Dimensions: 96" (8') x 205" (17')
- Address/location: 10156 Donner Pass Rd. ([map](#))

Local artist Rob McCarthy, of McCarthy Sign Co., painted the mural in 1993. An image of the mural, taken by photographer Carol M. Highsmith, is now in the Library of Congress ("LOC") collection.





The original commemorative plaque circa 1928



Current statue in downtown Truckee

# WWI Victory Eagle

- Artist: Unknown
- Creation date: Circa 1928
- Medium: Bronze
- Dimensions: Pedestal stands 51” high x 78” x 66” and sculpture stands aprox. 78” x 48” x 50”
- Address/location: Intersection of Spring St. and Donner Pass Rd. (“Victory Plaza”) ([map](#))

Celebrating victory in WWI, this statue is now a marker for the entire “Victory Plaza” area and is a meeting point for Truckee community gatherings. Originally it was one of six placed throughout California and funded by private donations. It was first installed on Highway 40 on the CA/NV border and moved to different locations throughout Northern California before coming to Truckee in the mid-2010s. Originally a highway project, it moved to several locations around town and was eventually saved and preserved by local residents.

Articles and more information:

[Remembering a Monument: long-forgotten history is back](#) (Sierra Sun) Sierra Sun Article from 2012 about Eagle restoration:

[A town ‘victory’: Truckee’s World War I eagle monument to be restored](#) (Sierra Sun)

# Women of Nevada County - Jail Art

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- Artist: CETA Murals, refurbished in 2005 by Andrea Eirmann
- Creation date: January 1979
- Medium: Oil on plyboard
- Dimensions: 8' x 4'
- Address/location: 10142 Jibboom Street (Hours may be limited. Please refer to [oldjailmuseum@truckeehistory.org](mailto:oldjailmuseum@truckeehistory.org) ([map](#)))

This piece is displayed in the old Truckee Jail Museum and highlights the women who reflect Nevada County's rich ethnic and cultural diversity, including Nisenan and Washoe Tribespeople, as well as White, Hispanic, and Asian communities. The woman depicted with butterflies is likely Ximena McGlashan (1893-1996), later known as Ximena McGlashan Howard. An American entomologist and pioneering butterfly farmer based in Truckee, she was often celebrated as the community's own "butterfly princess."



# Locomotion

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- Artist: Fred Besch
- Creation date: 2019
- Medium: Metal
- Address/location: 10091 Donner Pass Rd. ([map](#))

"Locomotion" was created by Besch, a local kinetic artist, though it's a static sculpture. The sculpture represents Truckee residents' shared love of biking. The art shares plaza space with a giant chess board that was created and donated by Truckee Roundhouse Makerspace.

The bicycle was named after 1940-1950's "cab-forward locomotive engines, that pulled heavy loads over Donner Summit." Besch collaborated with architect Peter Gerdin, Justin Self of Fusion Craft Works, Kelly Brothers Painting, Inc. and the Town of Truckee to complete it.

# Talisman of the Watershed

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- Artist: Troy Corlis
- Creation date: 2025
- Medium: frames - weathering (Corten) steel, panels - bronze, copper, stainless steel
- Dimensions: 3 - sculptures. Each 12' tall x 5' wide x 2' deep
- Address/location: DEWBHEYÚMUWE? PARK, 10257 West River Street ([map](#))

This series of three sculptures is titled “Talisman of the Watershed”, named to describe objects infused with symbolic inscriptions intended to bid good tidings to travelers passing by a certain location. The sculptures follow the footpath from the entrance of the park to the bridge leading across to the south side of the river, to the Truckee Donner Land Trust property and conserved open space, known as Truckee Springs. All three sculptures are freestanding “Y” shaped tree-like structures that have metal panels inscribed with text and imagery on both sides, each one depicting an element of the watershed, earth, water, and air.

The Truckee Donner Land Trust commissioned the artwork and gifted it to Town of Truckee.

# Way Finding

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- Artist: Jennifer and Anton Standteiner
- Creation date: 2025
- Medium: Stainless steel and Corten steel
- Dimensions: 26' tall, spans 28' wide, and weighs 8,400 pounds
- Address/location: DEWBEYÚMUWE? PARK, 10257 West River Street ([map](#)).

Created by artists Jennifer and Anton Standteiner and brought to life by the skilled blacksmiths of Mountain Forge; Justin Buonanoma, Dakota Myers, and Riley Dickinson. This beautiful work of art reflects creativity, collaboration, and community spirit.

Way Finding is a remarkable three-piece sculpture that stands 26 feet tall, spans 28 feet wide, and weighs 8,400 pounds. Crafted from stainless steel and Corten steel, the sculpture is composed of three abstract forms that align when viewed from different angles to create one unified vision. The piece celebrates the many ways different cultures find each other. It honors natural methods of navigation that hold deep meaning for the founding Washoe Tribe of this region.

# DeRailed

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- Artist: Bernie LaForest (Striker Forge, Inc.)
- Creation date: 2014
- Medium: Metal
- Dimensions:
- Address/location: 10065 Donner Pass Rd. ([map](#))



# Moody's Mural

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- Artist: Unkown
- Medium: Paint
- Address/location: Moody's, 10007 Bridge Street ([map](#))
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# 1980s “Welcome to Truckee” Mural

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- Artist: "CETA" artists
- Creation date: 1978
- Address/location: Truckee Post Office 10050 Bridge St. ([map](#))

This paint-on-wood mural is on the exterior wall of the main branch of the Truckee Post Office. The mural is near the east side entrance to the building (facing Bridge Street.) It depicts a 1930s-style Truckee postcard. The mural shows mountain peaks, miners, railroad workers, lumbermen, an old hotel, skiers and a steam train coming out of a snowshed. The left-hand corner says “CETA Murals.” Perhaps affiliated with the 1970s-80s [CETA Public Works Project](#)

Additional links:

[link to a photo](#) of the artists  
[CETAPublic Works](#) Project

# Uplifted

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- Artist: Karin Johnson and Jewelz Vaio
- Creation date: 2015
- Medium: Rail road ties and granite
- Address/location: Intersection of E. Jibboom & Bridge St. ([map](#))
- Trout Creek Pocket Park

"Uplifted" sits at the corner of Trout Creek Park, a revitalization project by Mountain Area Preservation. It is metal and granite.

# Train Mural

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- Artist: Middle and High School students. Facilitated by Tridentata Arts, Molly Moore, Lauren Gandolfo, Ann Clark
- Creation date: 2022
- Medium: House and mural paint
- Address/location: TDRPD Community Arts Center, 10046 Church st ([map](#))

This mural was commissioned by the Contractors Association of Truckee Tahoe (CATT) and Arts For the Schools (now Fox Cultural Hall) and began as a mural painting workshop taught by Tridentata Arts. Students brainstormed ideas that fit within a broad theme of environment, history, and stewardship of the area. Under the tutelage of Tridentata Arts, students learned to create a composition that would allow each of them to express their individual ideas. They settled on a composition using a train as an historic symbol of the town of Truckee with each box car becoming an individualized canvas on which each student projected their own piece of what Truckee represented to them. The mural is located within a pocket park behind the TDRPD Community Arts Center.

# Truckee Community Arts Center Panels

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- Artist: Todd Tanis
- Creation date: 2014
- Address/location: 10046 Church St, Truckee, CA 96161 ([map](#))

This is a series of five noise-dampening panels hanging in the lobby outside the community auditorium. Installed in 2014, the panels represent Truckee's seasons and weather, with summer split into "early summer" and "late summer."



# From Rails to Trails

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# Twin Bridges

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- Artist: Jake Balcom
- Creation date: 2025
- Medium: stainless steel, oxidized steel, river rock
- Dimensions: 18' tall x 14' wide x 11' deep
- Address/location: Truckee Way/Church Street Roundabout  
[\(map\)](#)

The “Rails to Trails” roundabout metal sculpture was created by artist Jake Balcom. It features a railroad track spiraling up to native plants. The artwork is visually interesting from every angle of the roundabout.

This artwork was commissioned by the Town of Truckee with the Public Art Commission of Truckee using a public request for qualifications process.

# Path

- Artists: ARTECLETTICA (Dominic Panziera & Daniela Garofalo)
- Creation date: 2023
- Medium: Mixed media, tile, and metal
- Address/location: Along retaining wall near 10247 Brockway Rd ([map](#))



The “Path” mosaic was created by Arteclettica local artists, Dominic Panziera and Daniela Garofalo. The artist were inspired by the mix of nature and history along the Legacy trail and the Truckee River. This artwork can be viewed from both the road or the sidewalk. Closer inspection of the artwork reveals intricate details. Metalwork was done by Mountain Forge, Inc.

This is the first public artwork commissioned by the Town of Truckee with the Public Art Commission of Truckee using a public request for proposals process.



# Bridging Communities

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- Artist: Anton Standteiner of Mountain Forge
- Creation date: 2019
- Medium: Metal, East Span of the San Francisco Bay Bridge
- Address/location: 10050 Brockway Rd. (Truckee Regional Park) ([map](#))

“Building Communities” is a public art project that includes original pieces of the East Span of the San Francisco Bay Bridge. It is now the Kids Train Platform at the Truckee Regional Park. Standteiner was one of 12 artist applicants (of 50) who were awarded the steel.

The installation is a collaboration with help from the Truckee Donner Railroad Society and many hours of work and expertise donated by members of the Contractors Association of Truckee Tahoe (CATT.).

# Unnamed Flowers & Fencing

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- Artist: Sally Peterson of the The Funk Yard at Big Star Ranch
- Creation date: 2017
- Address/location: 11165 Brockway Rd. ([map](#))

The unnamed flowers (and fencing not shown here) were created from repurposed materials by Peterson of The Funk Yard at Big Star Ranch in Nevada City. They are located at at the MWA Architect Office Building. They are property of The Rock shopping area and are not on Town of Truckee Property.



# Raley's Market Public Installations

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- Raley's Market Public Installations
- Artist: Mountain Forge, Various
- Creation date: 2021
- Medium: Metal/various
- Dimensions: Various
- Address/location: 10001 Soaring Way, Truckee, CA 96161 ([map](#))

Raley's Market has several public art displays, including art on the walls, sculptures in the upstairs McKinney Loft. The metal wall art is by Mountain Forge, as is some of the upstairs art. Additional art in the McKinney Loft is from local artists on rotation. At the time of this writing, the current artist on display is Paul Buelna, sculptor. The owners have indicated they'd love to be connected to the community and welcome opportunities to partner with artists and exhibits.



# Soaring Way Mural

- Artist: Callie Whiting
- Creation date: 2023
- Dimensions: 6' tall x 40' long
- Address/location: Truckee Tahoe Lumber Company, 11001 Soaring Way ([map](#))

Local Tahoe Expedition Academy high school student, Callie Whiting, designed and painted a mural featuring Rainbow Bridge on Old Highway 40 on the Truckee Tahoe Lumber Company exterior wall on Soaring Way.

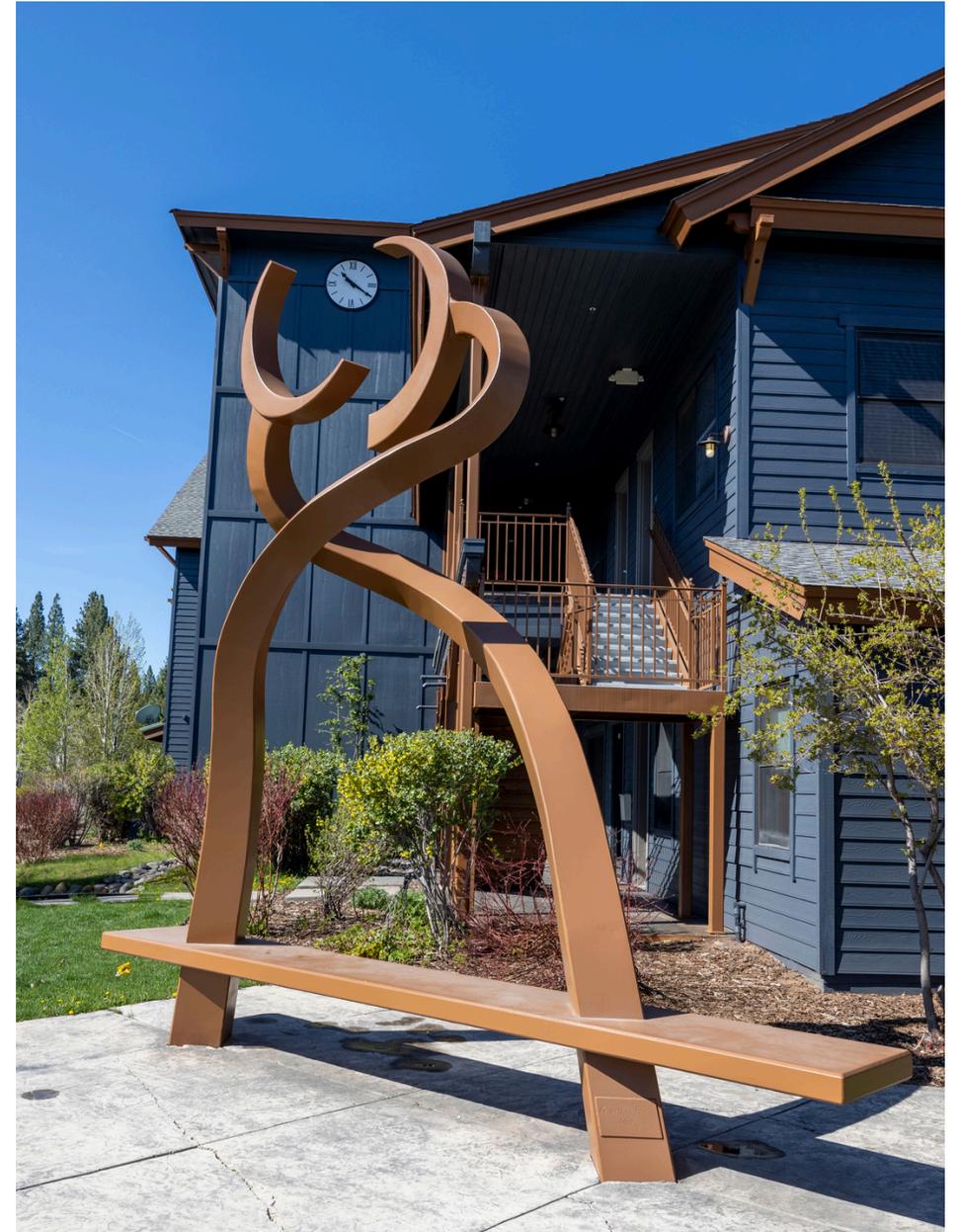


# Time Sculpture

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- Artist: Anton Standteiner of Mountain Forge
- Creation date: 2006
- Medium: Painted metal
- Address/location: Soaring Way & Truckee Airport Rd. ([map](#))

The “Martis Sculpture,” also called the “Time Sculpture” was created by Standteiner of Truckee’s Mountain Forge and commissioned by the Town of Truckee. The flow and style of the sculpture honors the Native American people who once inhabited the Martis Valley. It stands in front of the Martis Outlook professional building on the corner of Soaring Way and Truckee Tahoe Airport Way.



# The Wishing Cube

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- Completed: 2018
- Artist: Matt Parkhurst of MJP Fabrications
- Address: 10183 Truckee Airport Rd. ([map](#))

This piece is just outside the Town of Truckee's Town Hall offices. "The Wishing Cube" is a kinetic metal sculpture that spins. The idea is to spin and make your wish prior to entering the town offices (perhaps to ask for luck in disputing a parking ticket?)





# Art At the Truckee Tahoe Airport

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- Artist: Various
- Creation date: Ongoing
- Medium: Metal, Various
- Dimensions: Various
- Address/location: 10356 Truckee Airport Rd., Truckee, CA 96161 ([map](#))

The Truckee Tahoe Airport has a public art program that features work from various local artists throughout the year. The Truckee Cultural District is responsible for presenting four exhibitions a year for the next three years (2024-2026). The public art program at the Truckee Tahoe Airport began in 2011 and has featured more than 100 local artists. The exterior of the building also has various plane related sculptures.

More Information:

[Truckee Airport Artists](#)



# Mountain Flowers

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- Artist: Troy Corliss
- Creation date: 2010
- Medium: Metal
- Dimensions: 18'
- Address/location: Roundabout across from 10981 Truckee Way ([map](#))

The Mountain Flowers sculpture stands 16-18 feet high in the roundabout across from the Truckee Donner Community Center on Truckee Way (formerly Donner Pass Rd.) and Pioneer Trail Rd. The sculpture was a gift to the Town of Truckee from artist Troy Corliss. Other contributors in services or supplies were The Mountain Forge, JMC Industrial Finishing, Huldrege & Kull (Now NV5), and Perennial Landscape & Nursery.

# The Feather

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- Artist: Lauren Bello Okerman
- Creation date: 2014
- Medium: Metal
- Address/location: Steve Randall Community Recreation Center, 10981 Truckee Way ([map](#))

The Feather is at the entrance to Truckee Donner Recreation and Parks District building building. It's made of powder-coated steel and was sculpture was sponsored by the Queen of Hearts Women's Fund.



# Truckee Sculptural Bike Racks

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The Truckee Public Arts Commission was a local group committed to building community through collaboration, promotion, and advocacy for local Public Art. They operated under the Truckee Donner Recreation and Park District, a non-profit 501c3 organization.

TPAC hosted tri-annual art shows held at the Truckee Community Recreation Center and installed six art-focused bike racks in Truckee, along with numerous collaborations with local and county organizations.

TPAC's goals were to aspire to facilitate bigger and brighter opportunities for public art in Truckee, with continued and accelerated collaboration, and to continue to engage our community culturally with a robust public arts program.

TPAC's shows often had a theme, one of which was an invitation for anyone in the community to design sculptural bike racks in 2014. In addition to local professional artists submitting designs, a few class of elementary school students submitted designs. Bike Racks include: The Feather, DeRailed, Animal Tracks, High Iron, and El Dragon

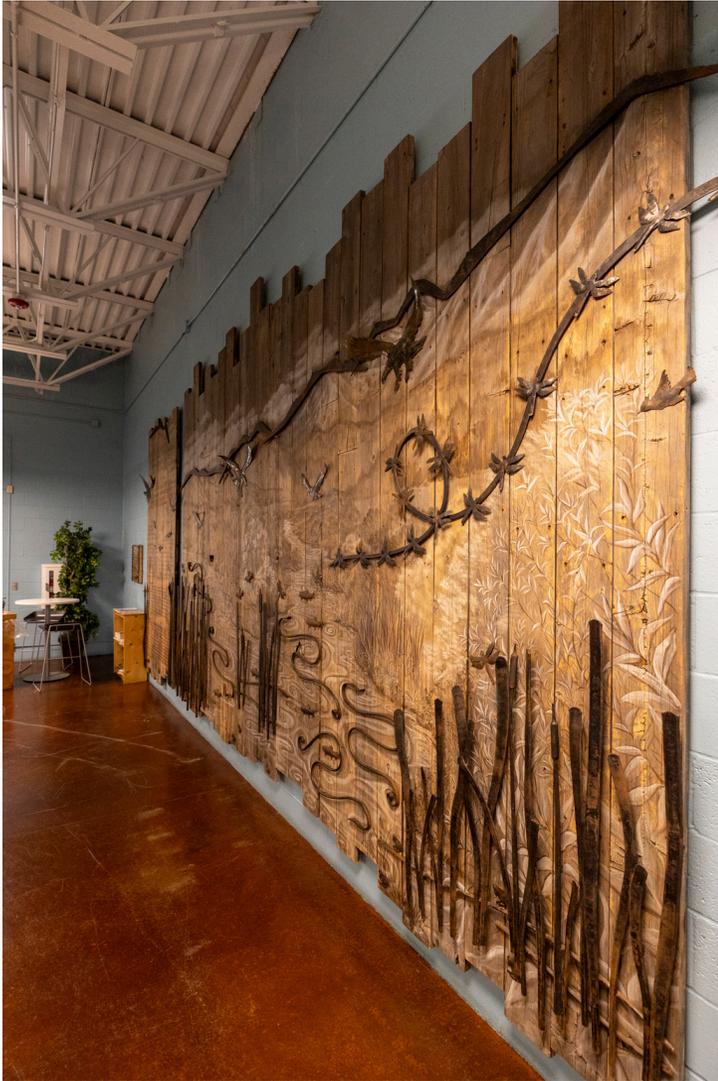
The story from Moonshine Ink about the overall project is here:

<https://www.moonshineink.com/mountain-life/bike-rack-art-comes-to-truckee/>



# Community as Ecosystem

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- Artist: Sara Smith and Mountain Forge
- Creation date : 2016
- Address/location: 10981 Truckee Way ([map](#))

“Community As Ecosystem,” is a wood and metal indoor mural measuring 11 feet high by 16 feet wide. It celebrates many community members who came together to help fund Truckee’s Aquatic Center. It’s inside the public Truckee Community Swimming Pool building. The wood comes from a 43-year-old pier from Tahoe Vista. Smith did the sepia-toned mural work and Mountain Forge provided metalwork and framework that holds the artwork in place.

# The Power of Yet

- Completed: 2017
- Artist: Girl Scout Troop #197
- Address: 10931 Alder Creek Rd. ([map](#))

“The Power of Yet” is an outdoor painted mural on an exterior wall at Alder Creek Middle School at 10931 Alder Drive. It is about futures and possibilities.



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# The Truckee Ants

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- Artist: Matt Parkhurst of MJP Fabrications
- Creation date: 2017
- Medium: Metal
- Dimensions: 4.5' long x 3.5' tall
- Address/location: Intersection of Highway 89 and Alder Dr. ([map](#))

This collection is a “colony” of eight large varying ants created from repurposed metal such as propane cylinders and railroad spikes. The local artist, Matt Parkhurst, donated two ants, and the Town of Truckee purchased the other six ants. He was inspired to create the first ant and place it on the roundabout because the mound looked “like an anthill.”

Articles and more information:

[Giant Ant Sculptures Invade Truckee](#) (Moonshine Ink)

[Build Us An Anthill](#) (Moonshine Ink)



# John's Memorial Bench

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- Artist: Truckee High School Students
- Creation date: 2015
- Address/location: 15726 Glenshire Dr. ([map](#))

This bench is in memory of John Buchan Guerra. The bench project was spearheaded by Eli and Diana Yale. Artists from Mountain Forge created the bench, and the Rock Garden supplied the large rock upon which the bench sits.



# Truckee Wildlife Poles

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- Artist: Truckee High School Students
- Creation date: 2015
- Address/location: 15726 Glenshire Dr. ([map](#))

In the 2021/2022 school year, artist Nancy Lopez collaborated with the Glenshire Elementary fifth grade students and teachers to create three new wildlife poles to replace those that were constructed and placed almost 20 years earlier by the 2003/2004 5th grade class, also in coordination with Nancy Lopez.

The project began with students learning about the local flora and fauna through an environmental workshop presented by Sierra Watershed Education Partnerships. Students then worked with local artist Nancy Lopez of Trails & Vistas to create their individual image representing our local region's wildlife. Students also collaborated with each other to create a wildlife scene painted on three eleven-foot pine poles to be displayed for many years to come.

This project, spearheaded by Nancy Lopez, involved many community members, including the students and teachers of Glenshire Elementary, Kathy & John Echols, Matt Parkhurst, David Galson, Eric Bacon, the Truckee firefighters of Station 92 and 95, and Sierra Educational Watershed Partnership, as well as the community financial sponsors: Martis Camp Foundation, Truckee Tahoe Lumber, Glenshire Elementary School, Rotary Club of Truckee, Truckee Optimist Club, Mountain Hardware & Sports, Glenshire Devonshire Residents Association, Town of Truckee, Truckee Tahoe Airport District, and Trails and Vistas

[A video of complete project can be seen at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BRU1dV9e](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BRU1dV9e)

# View from the Martis Peak Fire Lookout Mural

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- Artist: Patricia Dale
- Creation date: 2013
- Address/location: 10990 Dorchester Dr. ([map](#)) Please do not visit during school hours.

Glenshire Elementary School teachers Suzie Bates and Stephanie Bacon received an Excellence in Education Grant to fund artwork by the artist. She was able to fly in a small plane to take photographs of the views from above, and thus included in the mural are the photos she worked from to create the larger mural.

In addition to the views from Martis Peak, there are mammals, birds and plants in the mural that support students learning about local flora and fauna. The elevations of peaks are included to support math skills. When students throw snowballs or playground balls and touch the various elevations, they total their score in numbers.

The work is being restored as of 2021 with a grant from the Glenshire Elementary Parent-Teacher Organization.

