



Washington State Arts Commission My Public Art Portal

Washington's State Art Collection is now online at arts.wa.gov, with more art added weekly! Explore images of public art from across Washington, learn about our cultural heritage, plan your travels to visit artworks, and access lesson plans.

Overview

The State Art Collection has been rooted in our K-12 schools, colleges and universities, and state agencies since 1975, when the first artwork was acquired. Artworks—selected by representatives from communities across Washington—evoke our vibrant cultural heritage and community connections. Now, for the first time, you can see them all in one place on *My Public Art Portal*.

Who is it For?

My Public Art Portal is a resource for all Washingtonians, and is already used by **historians, tourism promoters, teachers, and more!** Public art enhances and enlivens the public spaces all around us, and also serves as a great jumping-off point for curiosity and learning.



Celebrated Washington artist Cappy Thompson's artwork enlivens Tukes Valley Primary in Battle Ground. The artwork, along with a map of its location and numerous images, is one of more than 1,200 viewable on My Public Art Portal. Photo by Spike Mafford.

Total FY 2017-19 request: \$577,042

How it Works

My Public Art Portal includes information and images for more than 1,200 (of 4,500) artworks, and it is growing at a rate of approximately 100 artworks per month.

In 2015, the Legislature approved IT Pool funding to add and improve web content on My Public Art Portal. That work is well underway, and we expect to share 40% of the Collection online by July 2017 and, with approval of 2017-2019 biennial funding, 100% by July 2019.

Visit arts.wa.gov or contact collections@arts.wa.gov to learn more or get involved!



The State Art Collection is located across Washington—at K-12 schools, on college and university campuses, and at state agencies—in communities from Vancouver to Chewelah, from Clarkston to Friday Harbor.