



Roswell Arts Fund Announces Fourth *ArtAround Roswell Sculpture Tour* and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on April 18 at 5pm

Nine new temporary art works will be placed around Roswell community

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Roswell Arts Fund will premiere its fourth annual *ArtAround Roswell Sculpture Tour* in April 2019. Each year, *ArtAround Roswell* features original works of art on display throughout the Roswell community. New, temporary sculptures will join 10 permanent *ArtAround Roswell* pieces purchased from previous tours.

Sculptures were selected based on criteria including quality, diversity and how the sculpture would spark conversation and activate spaces. Other factors included size, safety and aesthetics.

Emma Chammah, Roswell Art Fund's Public Art Consultant, facilitated the selection. *"Art in public spaces is a communal experience that strengthens the community. That's why it's just as important for the selection of the art to be a community-based process. ArtAround Roswell does exactly that in convening an engaging and diverse group of community members to discuss, debate and select unique, thought-provoking art work."*

Announcing 2019 *ArtAround Roswell Sculptures* and Sponsors

- *Tangled* by Fred Ajanogha at the Old Mill sponsored by Randall-Paulson Architects
- *Hill Climb* by Jim Collins at Big Creek Park Entrance of Old Alabama Road, sponsored by Pieper O'Brien Herr
- *Emergence* by Deanna Hoffman at the City Hall Complex, sponsored by Staff Zone
- *Celebration* by Cecilia Lueza at Riverside Park East, sponsored by Synovus
- *Hole in My Heart* by Ben Pierce at East Roswell Park Entrance, sponsored by LMC
- *Portal Majestic* by Nathan Pierce at Variant Brewing Company, sponsored by Variant Brewing Company
- *Wild Bird* by Diane Shepherd at Don White near Volleyball, sponsored by ALDI
- *Lost Horizon* by Mike Wsol at Riverside West, sponsored by Carl Black Buick GMC Roswell
- *Exploratory Unit 01* by Harry McDaniel at Roswell Area Park Lake, sponsored by Turner Construction



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – All are welcome!

On **Thursday April 18, 2019 at 5:00pm** there will be a ribbon cutting opening ceremony at the new sculpture *Emergence* which is located at City Hall - Behind city hall on the path towards the Alpharetta/Canton street and Magnolia Street intersection. The ribbon cutting will be followed by giveaways and activities at the Roswell Arts Fund table in the East Alley for Alive in Roswell. To learn more and stay up to date, visit roswellartsfund.org and sign up for monthly updates.

Community Engagement

In addition to exploring the sculptures on self guided tours while visiting the parks and trailways Roswell Arts Fund is excited to offer engagement opportunities and activities to enhance the experience of Roswell's museum without walls.

Introduced last year an artist guided audio tour with commentary from the artists about their inspirations, materials and processes, will be available through the Otocast app available at Apple and Google Play.

Walking, bike and bus tours will be scheduled in addition to new programs featuring art talks with local and regional artists, children's programming and a city wide arts scavenger hunt – all to be announced soon.

The Selection Process for 2019

After receiving more than 65 sculpture entries, the ArtAround Roswell Public Art Selection Panel, narrowed the entries to nine unique pieces to be installed at nine sites around the city of Roswell. The twenty person panel is comprised of diverse Roswell stakeholders including business, civic and community leaders as well as art professionals.

New Locations and First Private Property on Tour

For 2019, three new sites have been added to the sculpture tour. City Hall and Roswell Mill have each added a second sculpture location and we are **thrilled to announce that Variant Brewing Company (66 Norcross Street) will be the first private property to host and sponsor an ArtAround Roswell Sculpture.**

Additional sculpture sponsors include new sponsor Staff Zone and returning sponsors LMC, Randall-Paulson Architects, Pieper O'Brien Herr, Synovus, ALDI and Carl Black Buick GMC Roswell.

As always, Roswell Arts Fund is tremendously grateful to each of our ArtAround Roswell sponsors and their commitment to support public art in our city.



IMAGES INCLUDED WITH EMAIL

- 1. Cecilia Lueza_Celebration :** At Riverside Park East, sponsored by Synovus. This will be the artist's second time in ArtAround Roswell, her sculpture "Dual Nature" was included in last year's tour.
- 2. Fred Ajanogha_Tangled:** At the Old Mill sponsored by Randall-Paulson Architects. The artist's second time in ArtAround Roswell. His first piece, "Reception", is now permanently on display at Roswell Riverwalk
- 3. Nathan Pierce_PortalMajestic:** Hosted at and sponsored by Variant Brewing Company. Variant is the first privately owned host site for an ArtAround Roswell Sculpture. This is also the artist's second time on tour – his first, "Social Tones", is currently on tour and located at Hembree Park.

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About ArtAround Roswell 2019

ArtAround Roswell, an initiative of Roswell Arts Fund, features nine sculptures on loan to the city by their artists on display through March 2020 joining twelve permanent pieces purchased from previous tours. ArtAround Roswell is a partnership between the City of Roswell and Roswell Arts Fund initiated to bring the benefits of public art to the city, including community involvement and enrichment.

About Roswell Arts Fund

Roswell Arts Fund is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and is the designated arts agency of Roswell, GA and a powerful voice and advocate for the arts. Roswell Arts Fund was founded to strengthen the scope, quality, and diversity of the arts and striving to fully integrate the arts into the social and economic fabric that is uniquely Roswell.

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