

**Asheville Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts  
Public Art Board  
2007 Annual Report**

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The Public Art Board met the fourth Tuesday of each month at 3:30 p.m. in the Parks and Recreation Conference Room 4<sup>th</sup> floor, City Hall. Effective with the February, 2008 meeting, the location was changed to the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room.

**Public Art Board Mission:**

Identify and implement public art works that:

- Recognize and promote Asheville's natural and made beauty
- Provide opportunities for distinctive objects and memorable places, spaces, and experiences

● **Public Art Board fast facts:**

- 1983 Energy Loop first public art
- 1999 Council adopts Public Art Policy
- 2000 Public Art Board established
- 39 pieces in Public Art collection
- Valued at over \$1 million in 2007

● **Public Art Fiscal Year 06-07 Accomplishments:**

- River Sculpture Festival at French Broad River Park
- Launched Public Artist of the Year – Harry McDaniel – Decko Gecko
- Postcards from the Ledge
- Restore Energy Loop
- Begin restoration of Urban Trail Station #7
- Begin design Urban Trail Station #1
- Approve
  - Colonel Morgan Memorial
  - Veteran's Memorial
  - Asheville Mural Project
- Public Art collection appraisal
- Established Public Art FY 07-08 budget

● **Public Art Fiscal Year 07-08 Goals**

- Implement deferred maintenance & repair
- Install Energy Loop & Decko Gecko
- Continue fund raising
- Parks & Recreation Master Plan
- Collaboration: Parks & Recreation boards and initiatives

- Partner: Asheville Parks & Greenways Foundation and Urban Trail Committee
- Raised money for the Energy Loop

**Public Art Board Members – 2007**

Dr. Barbara Cary, Chair  
Kenn Kotara – Vice Chair  
Julie Calhoun-Roepnack  
Bill Fishburne  
Harry Harrison  
Dr. Barry Pate