

Public Art in Prince William County
Meeting #1
November 17, 2025
7pm @ DSB Building

Attendees:

Adam Coe
Kelly Haneklau
Larissa Miller
Ruth Anderson (virtual)
John Hartt
Seth Hendler-Voss, DPR
Diane Ruggiero

Role of the Task Force

Notes:

- Experience and good insight of the task force members - artist, educator, etc.
- Ensure every tone is turned - no questions
- Ensure the policy aligns with Park Foundation initiatives
- Details - types of art, opportunities, alternative funding
- Engage arts communities - especially non traditional
- Get around perceived “walls”
- Meaningful engagement at all levels
- Creative call to action
- Make the policy digestible
- Education of best practices
- Energize community and board
- Advocacy of public art and the policy

Definition of Public Art

In order for the Task Force to be able to develop a policy there needs to be a shared definition of public art. This definition is only intended for the Task Force and may be different than what becomes part of the policy.

Notes:

- Incorporate all arts (visual, performing, etc.)
- Site specific
- Activates a site
- Created by an artist or artist group

- Public can be involved in creating the art under direction of a professional artist
- Accessible to the public
- Could be temporary or permanent. If temporary, what is the timeframe?

Definition of Public Art (DRAFT):

Public Art is an original, temporary or permanent work of art created by an artist or artist team that is site specific, located in both indoor and outdoor public spaces and places, and is accessible to the public. Public art includes a diverse range of art including, but not limited to, visual arts, performing arts, environmental art, sound art, digital arts, literary arts, dance, and music.

What will success look like?

Notes:

- Board approves the recommended policy
- There is increased visibility and appreciation of the arts throughout the County
- The recommended policy has the support of key stakeholders (development community, school board, artists, etc.)
- That the policy makes art a tangible benefit

Other: Does policy consider town involvement?

Engagement

Notes:

Community leaders
 Local businesses (Chamber)
 Connect with board members
 Artists in the County

Please share ideas about who we should engage and some ideas about ways we can engage the community: