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Art Treasure Hunt: Public Art in County Parks

There are treasures to discover in our beautiful county parks. Part of their beauty is the public art found in many of the parks. Some of the artwork was made by more than one person or as part of a public event.

There are several different kinds of art in the parks. There are sculptures, a mosaic tile mural, and even artistic stepping stones. Sculptures can be made of many different media, or materials, such as tile, metal, fiberglass, wood, clay or cement. Sculptures that have moving parts are called kinetic art. Sculptures can even have parts that make sound. Murals can be made from paintings, tiles, photographs, and other media.

Santa Barbara is rich with public art—it can turn up just about anywhere. It is not only in our county parks. There is public art in the courthouses, on building

walls, on parking garages, in county buildings, standing outside of buildings, at train stations, at airports, outside museums, and on State Street in Santa Barbara. You might even find yourself playing or standing on public art!

Who pays for public art? In the spirit of community giving, many different sources help to pay for public art. These include businesses, people who make donations, foundations, government agencies, and others. Often, even the artists themselves help to pay for materials.

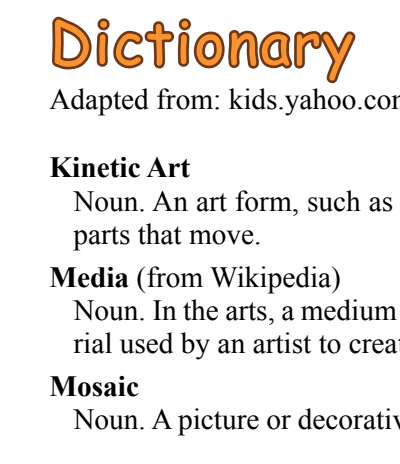
To learn about more public art locations and upcoming events in Santa Barbara County, visit the County Arts Commission website at www.sbartcommission.org.

Public Art Treasure-Hunt: Take an "Art-venture"

Can you discover these works of art at the six county parks listed below? Look out! Some parks have more than one public artwork.

Park addresses are below; you can also find maps on the web at www.countyofsb.org/parks

1. Arroyo Burro Beach Park--2981 Cliff Drive, Santa Barbara
2. Goleta Beach Park--5986 Sandspit Road, Goleta
3. Rocky Nook Park--610 Mission Canyon Rd, Santa Barbara
4. Rincon Beach Park--Carpinteria
5. Summerland Lookout Park--2297 Finney Street, Summerland
6. Tucker's Grove Park--805 San Antonio Creek Road, Santa Barbara



- A. **Southern Steelhead Trout**, Kim Snyder, 2006, Painted Fiberglass Sculpture. Kim Snyder painted this trout as part of the Santa Barbara Steelhead Festival in 2006. The Festival was organized by Community Environmental Council and sponsored by many Santa Barbara organizations. This sculpture was one of nine installed on State Street in 2006.
- B. **Whale Watch**, Scott Peterson, work in progress, Stone Sculpture. You can look for whales while standing on this stone sculpture.
- C. **Wind-A-Ma-Jig**, George Rhoads, 1989, Kinetic Sculpture. This kinetic sculpture moves by the power of the wind and makes sounds as it moves.
- D. **Sun Compass**, Michael McMillen, 1996, Copper and Stone Sculpture.
- E. **Lightning Gate**, Michael McMillen, 1990, Steel Sculpture.
- F. **Gaia**, Bailey Oakes, 1991, Wooden Sculpture.
- G. **Maritime Cultures**, Betsy Gallery and Mary Price, 2007, Mosaic Tile Mural. The Maritime Cultures mosaic was begun at Art from Scrap as a community participation piece. Mary Price designed it from images from local maritime cultures. Artist Betsy Gallery cut the pieces. Through a grant from the William T. Colville Foundation, the mural was finished by Betsy Gallery and teens from El Puente School.
- H. **Ethel and Harry**, Dan Chrynk, 1995, Mosaic Tile Sculpture. These two lizards are named in honor of the artist's parents. They are on private property and can be seen from a county park.
- I. **Seaweed Paving Stones**, Santa Barbara County Parks staff, 2009, Cement. Parks employees collected seaweed from the beach and placed it on the drying cement.

Dictionary

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Kinetic Art

Noun. An art form, such as art sculpture, made up of parts that move.

Media (from Wikipedia)

Noun. In the arts, a medium (plural: media) is a material used by an artist to create a work of art.

Mosaic

Noun. A picture or decorative design made by setting small colored pieces of stone, tile, or glass into a surface.

Mural

Noun. A very large work of art that could be made of paint, enlarged photographs, or tiles, on a wall or ceiling.

Public Art

Noun. Works of art in any media that have been planned and made to be placed in public places, often outside where people can see them.

Sculpture

Noun. The art of carving wood, chiseling stone, casting or welding metal, molding clay or wax into three-dimensional shapes, such as statues.

Art Word Search

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