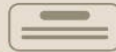
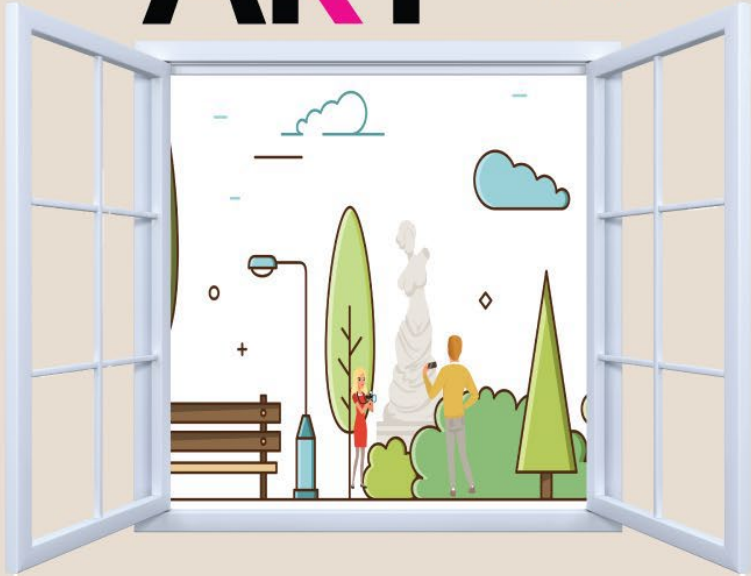


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PUBLIC PLACES

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June 23, 2026

OUR PURPOSE

Through the Art in Public Places fund, we advise on the acquisition, installation, maintenance, and deaccessioning of some of the County-owned artwork which is supported by allocations from capital improvement and road project budgets.

To achieve this goal we have been developing a formalized process that documents the input from the public, County employees and artists.

Activities & Accomplishments

- Completed installation of the Leisure Lagoon artwork by Amanda Jaffee and celebrated with a ribbon-cutting event.
- Received a donation of “Lungi Kam XII”, a mixed-media work by Catherine Eaton Skinner, now displayed on upper level of Mesa Public Library.



Activities & Accomplishments



- Launched a public art questionnaire and are using community feedback to guide future acquisitions and potential deaccessions.

- Installed “Raven Dialogues, Friendly Advice” by Star York at the Nature Center , unveiled during Earth Day 2026.

- Completed and installed “Los Alamos Heritage Gate” by Brenden Lanicek at Betty Ehart Senior Center, recognized during the LARSO annual meeting in May 2026.



Activities & Accomplishments



- Deaccessioned the “Aquatic Figures” mural at the Aquatic Center.



- Deaccessioned “Split Infinity” at Mesa Public Library and are replacing it with “Blooming Lily 3 Medium”.

Activities & Accomplishments



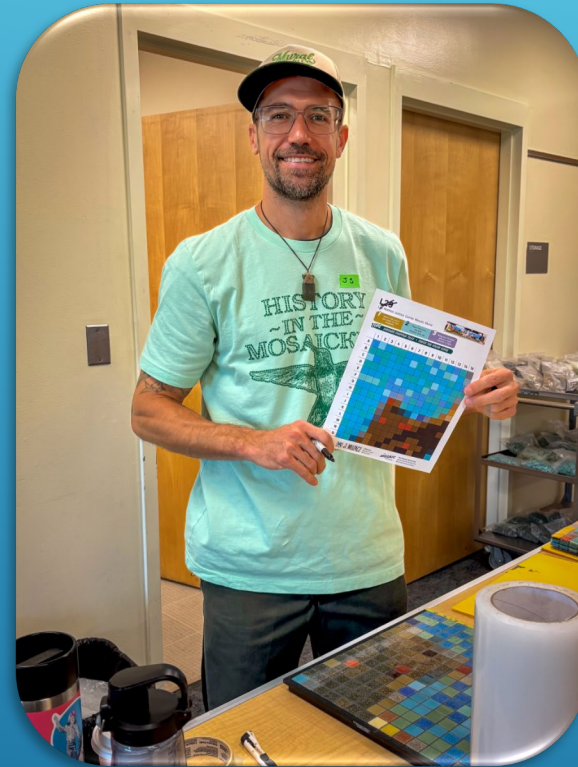
“Tranquility” is being considered for deaccession due to the cost of maintenance.



“Dino World” also under consideration, although we are having trouble contacting the artist for feedback on the final disposition.

Activities & Accomplishments

Hosted community mosaic workshops for Justice Center wall artwork with artist J Muzacz and his team on June 5-7.



Activities & Accomplishments

Held ribbon-cutting to celebrate the completed mural on June 13.



New Board Members

One board position remains open with no applicants under consideration. Current county rules and board composition precludes applicants who are registered Democrats.

In Progress Items

- Homesteaders Art Project Working Group: After identifying limited interest in Barranca Mesa, we are working with PIO on revised concept near the homesteader signs.
- Police Station Art Working Group: Collaborating with the artist to refine the lion concept using community feedback.
- Fire Station #4 Working Group: Received presentation from architect and project manager; discussed project and vision with new Fire Chief Erik Litzenberg; working on theme using community input.
- Strategic Plan Working Group: Updating and improving deaccession procedures within policy documents.
- Deaccession & Relocation Working Group: Discussing potential deaccession of “Dino World” and “Tranquility”.

Challenges and Lessons Learned

- Cancelled the Semi-Quincentennial Art Competition at Step-Up Gallery.
- Formed working groups to better define projects and ensure collaboration with community partners throughout the planning process.
- Developed formal process for acquisition, transitioning from concept to installation. Intent is to provide a budgeting and historical record for future boards.
- Developing a formal deaccession plan.

