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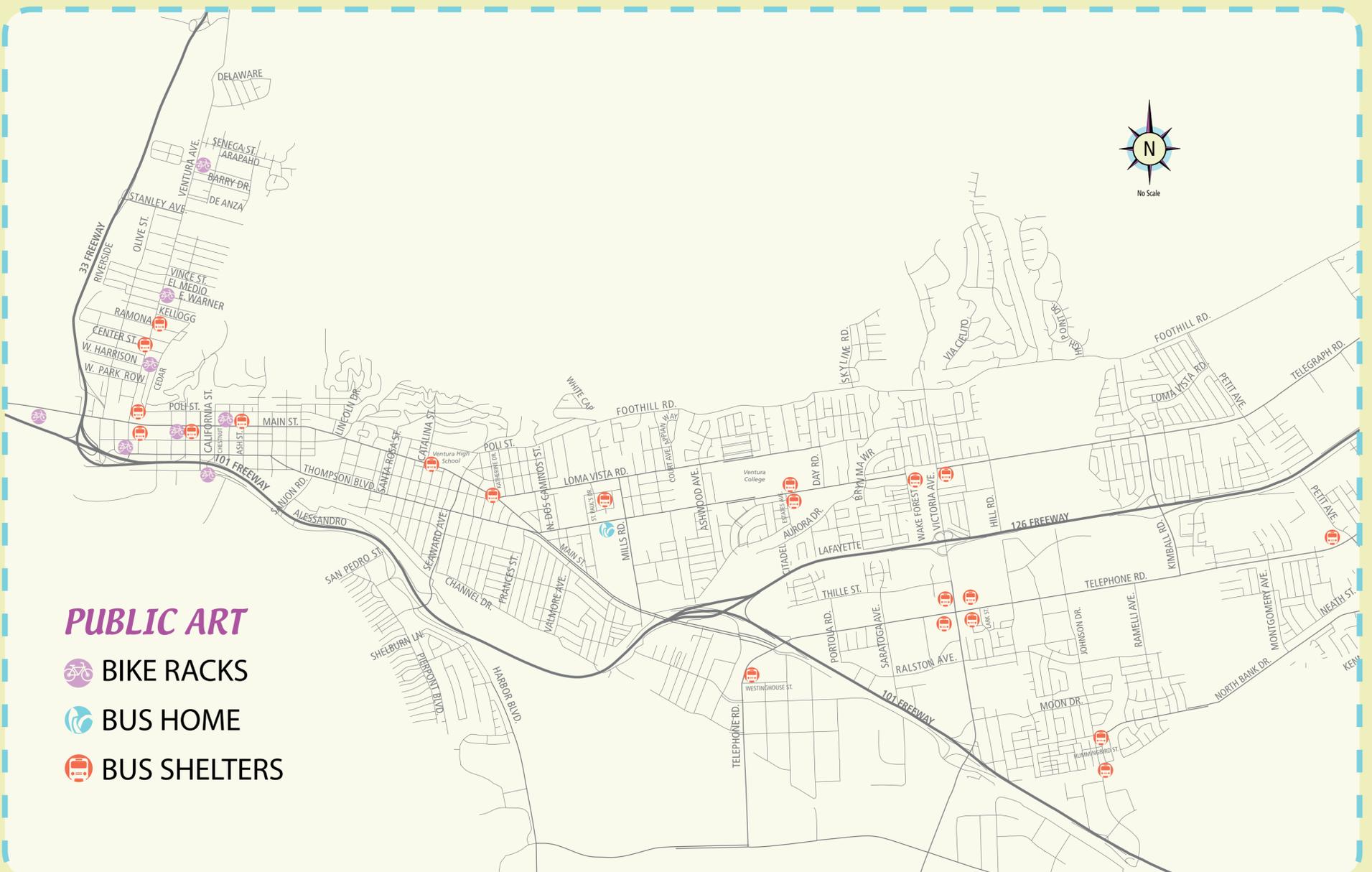
PUBLIC ART THAT REALLY MOVES YOU

Providing the public immediate access to high quality works of art throughout its transit system is key to building Ventura's civic pride and community identity.

ART IN TRANSIT: Ventura's Public Art Program, Bus Shelter Murals & Bike Racks

Whether it's the world-famous "Bus Home" bus transfer center by Dennis Oppenheim, sculptures along the Ventura River Trail and other "ride by" visual arts galleries at the Community Memorial Hospital Coastal Community Cancer Center, the "Tortilla Flats" underpass, or the nationally recognized art sculptures and murals for the Art-in-Transit "Bike Racks" and Bus Shelter "Streetscape Mural Project," the City of Ventura

Public Art Program has commissioned over 50 artworks "in the open air" throughout our community by locally and nationally recognized professional artists and students that really move our residents and visitors – whether they travel by car, bicycle, bus or on foot. Visit our site(s) at www.cityofventura.net/cs/arts/public-art/projects.



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DONNA GRANATA

Bus-Home Dennis Oppenheim

Mills & Telegraph Roads at Pacific View Mall

Ventura's critically acclaimed bus transfer center completed in 2002 by internationally renowned artist Dennis Oppenheim depicts through spiraling shaped steel forms a bus magically changing into a home to celebrate the experience of using public transit and "showing a flow and connection

between where you came from and where you are going." Bus-Home is included in Amy Dempsey's "Destination Art," a critical guide to the world's two hundred most important modern environmental works, site-specific installations, architecture, and sculpture parks designed for the international art tourist.

Bus Shelter Public Art Streetscape Murals Installed in 2007

→ **The Emerging Heart Series – Gerald Zwiers**
Main St. at Katherine Dr.

Fish Stixs – Michael Zelcer
Telephone Rd. at Petit Ave.

Ventura Eye Chart – Stephen Schafer
Thompson Blvd. at Oak St.

Winter Sunset from My Porch – Joanne Kegel
Wake Forest Ave. at Telephone Rd.

In Direction – James Cox
Ventura Ave at Main St.

**Rhythmic Destinations
Buena High School Students**
Telephone Rd. at Victoria Ave.

Unsame – James Cox
Telephone Rd. at Victoria Ave.

Surf's Up – Michael Zelcer
Telephone Rd. at Estates Ave.

Doors of Ventura – Tobie Roach
Ventura Ave. at Warner St.

Surfers Point – Terence Ulrich
Main St. at Ash St.

Roads of Ventura – Tobie Roach
Main St. at Catalina St.

**Under the Ventura Sun
Cabrillo Middle School Students**
Ventura Ave. at Ramona St.

Epoch – Christopher McMakin
Ventura Ave at Main St.

The Language of Caring – Gerald Zwiers
Telephone Rd. at Ventura Ave.

Kali Yuga – Christopher McMakin
Ventura Ave. at Center St.

**I Know, Do You?
VCRA Ventura County Rainbow Alliance**
Victoria Ave. at Telephone Rd.

Vistas Hermosas – Aaron Benner
Telephone Rd. at Westinghouse St.



Joanne Kegel



Aaron Women Benner



Ventura County Rainbow Alliance



Cabrillo Middle School



Steven Schafer



James Michael Cox



Christopher Thor McMakin



Michael Zelcer



Gerald Zwiers



Tobie Roach



Terence Ulrich



Buena High School

Bike Tree

John Suttman

101 S. California St.
at Visitors Bureau

"It would be gratifying to add something useful to my community, something that many people might enjoy and something that supports a mode of transportation and lifestyle I believe in."



The Bike Rack

John Suttman

4200 Olivas Park Dr.
at Olivas Adobe

"My Intention is to create functional things that look attractive. This is my alternative version of a functional Bike Rack."



Get it in Gear!

Douglas Lochner

432 N Ventura Ave.
at Bell Arts Factory

"Bike sprocket large sculptures are fabricated to mimic an oversized bike sprocket half buried in the ground."



Them Bones!

Douglas Lochner

Figueroa St.
at Surfers' Point

"My approach is to create a timeless design with a distinctive narrative that works with the space to create a true sense of 'place.'"



Dragonfly

LT Mustardseed

Promenade
at Ventura Pier

"Bike racks particularly spark my interest because bikes are essential and a powerful tool for change."



Ocean

LT Mustardseed

175 S. Ventura Ave.
at WAV

"My design embraces the ocean and the tranquility of California's coast with a whimsical flair."



A Large Bowl of Berries

Petrina JM Sharp

Ventura Ave.
NB at N. Warner St.

"Berries have been a part of this community for along time and I wanted to do something that shows appreciation for the agricultural aspect of our pleasant little seaside town."



Love House Dahlia Farm

Caroline Allen

Ventura Ave.
SB at Berry St.

"I've tried to capture the sense of wild flamboyance I see in the dahlias," writes the artist in describing her subjects from this local flower grower. "I'm interested in the drama of bright and dark, life moving joyfully before the backdrop of death. To me they suggest human figures in the dramatic poses of the renaissance and mannerist periods, enticing the eye to move around the composition."



Four by Four

Mary Holmes & Laurel Huggins

Loma Vista Dr.

WB at Saint Paul's Dr.

The artists have depicted notable Ventura historical figures:

1. Chief Raphael Solares or Samala, the last Chumash antap or native spiritual leader
2. Father Junipero Serra, San Buenaventura Mission and California's first missions founder
3. Commissioner Thomas R. Bard who helped form Ventura County
4. Ventura author/philanthropist Mary Osborne, a tireless advocate for women surfers worldwide



Local Fauna

Shirin Anderson

Johnson Dr.

SB at Hummingbird

The artist's close-up portraits of Ventura's resident and migratory wild animals aim to express "a bond between us and them" and the hope "that we can both coexist."



Plein Air Painters

Susan Seaberry

Telephone Rd.
WB at Victoria Ave.

"We are given the opportunity to promote environmental awareness through art" in this celebration of "the beautiful Ventura landscape and the many local artists who choose to paint it. Ventura is a gift to artists who, in turn, hope to give back to the community."

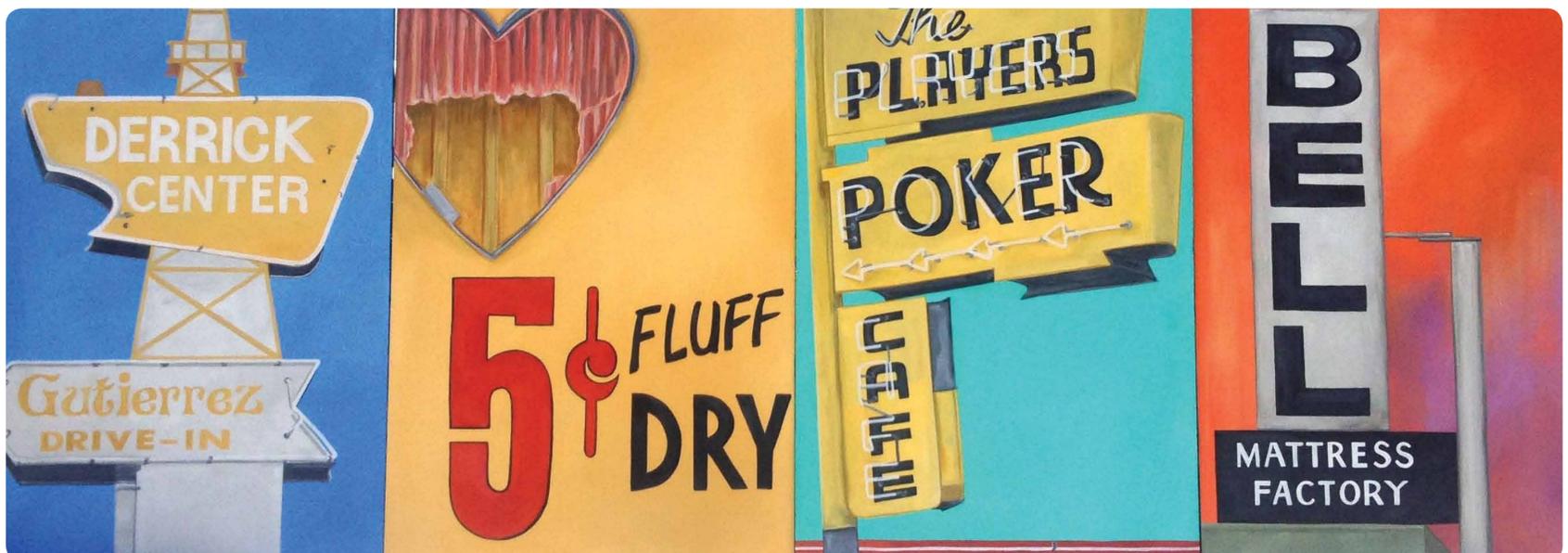


Signs of the Avenue

MB Hanrahan

Telegraph Rd.
EB at Estates Ave.

"The design is inspired from my continuing photographic documentation of Ventura Avenue images. I believe in the charm and vibrancy of the Ventura Avenue area and feel these paintings will impact our community by sharing a bit of Avenue history with the rest of our city and perhaps raise consciousness of what is lost in the name of 'progress' and gentrification."



Snap Shot Memories

Cabrillo Middle
School Students

Johnson Dr.

NB at Northbank Dr.

Students researched and explored Ventura and its history to create "a bulletin board of memorabilia" reflecting life in our city.

Cabrillo Middle School Teacher Teri Willison

Artists:

Joel Mayorga

Emily Schoutan

Jordan Ferguson

Lexi Woodward

Christina Schaefer

Marin McGee

Bella Bobrow

Lauren Whitley



Bikerfly Tyson Cline

Chestnut St.

at Main St.

"The bikerfly utilizes reclaimed steel bicycle frames to create a space frame in which whole bicycles can be placed. The ultimate profile is reminiscent of Ventura's Monarch butterflies."

