



LEWISVILLE

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CITY OF LEWISVILLE

ARTIST MICROGRANTS

2019-PRESENT

A Midsummer Night's Dream, 2019

Play
Emmalyn Miron

The play was performed at Hedrick House in Lewisville in October 2019. The artist's goal was to "produce a progressive and interactive production that leaves audience members with a sense of love and understanding of Shakespeare, theatre and the arts in the City of Lewisville,". The Show opened inside the house and the audience followed the actors out to the garden for the remainder. The show included a cast of 19 and a crew of 6, with an audience of about 200.





Marco's Big Move, 2019

Illustrations for a children's book
Morgan McGrath

Marco's Big Move, a children's book, was produced by the City of Lewisville as part of the Lewisville 2025 vision plan. A copy of the book was sent to every resident of Lewisville and Castle Hills. The story followed Marco and his family as they explored their new hometown of Lewisville, while learning about the nine Big Moves of the Lewisville 2025 vision plan. The artist produced 17 individual illustrations for the book.



Valor and Sacrifice, 2019

Sculpture/Art Installation

Jen Rose

Originally created as a temporary public art installation tied to *The Wall That Heals* travelling exhibition, which made a stop in Lewisville in May 2019, *Valor and Sacrifice* was an installation of hundreds of red ceramic poppies. The red poppy was adopted as a symbol for veterans after World War One. It has since become a universal symbol for veterans of any war. These poppies were created by the community with the help and vision of the artist.





Art Like a Child, 2019

Visual Art Exhibition and Public Workshop
Yoonsoo Nam

This exhibition included colorful paintings produced by the artist, and was held at The Drawing Room in Old Town. The artist’s goal was to fill the viewer with “love, joy and peace,”. The artist also held workshops which challenged people of all ages to create their own works of art and “experience freedom to open their creativity inside out and create something beautiful without fear, like a child,”.





Immortalizing the Brave: Beyond the Badge, 2019

Drawing, Photography and Sculpture
Nicole Franczvai, Kira Hayes, Eric
Champion and LHS students

Lewisville High School invited city of Lewisville firemen and police officers into the classroom to be part of an ongoing study by art students. Officers modeled for drawing, photography, and sculpture classes. LHS art teacher, Nicole Franczvai said, “Placing officers in front of high school students isn’t directly about the experience of art and making – it’s about fostering connections that go beyond traditional norms.” Select pieces from the project went on to be temporarily displayed at Lewisville Public Library.





Texas Petals Twist, 2019

Mural

Gloria Stephanie Montellano

Depicting large scale but realistic representations of native Texas flowers such as Bluebonnets and the Monarch Butterfly, this mural is set on an abstract background representing rain washing down around the flowers and insects. The artist said her intention with the mural was “... to not only share my craft but also decorate a part of Lewisville in which I live,”.





Gentle Waves, 2020

Mural

David Bearden

For this mural project, both sides of the half-pipe ramp at Railroad Park Skate Park were painted. The purpose was to beautify the park by adding color to the gray concrete and black metal.

***Due to vandalism, this mural was removed in the fall of 2022.**



Answer: Me: This:, 2020

Visual Art Exhibition
Jamie Gardner

Through recurring imagery of flora, animals, and the human figure, artist Jamie Gardner's "Answer: Me: This:" exhibition explored themes of healing and growth and the process of emotional, spiritual, and psychological transformation.



The Veteran River Table, 2021

Visual Art / Decorative Arts

Maithen Elizabeth Fluhrer

The purpose of this custom piece of art was to raise awareness of the veterans from all military branches in and around Denton County. One of the defining characteristics was the many challenge coins that have been incorporated into the table. Challenge coins are given as tokens of recognition or to enhance morale among service members in all branches of the military. They have been a large part of military lore for years. Many veterans have massive collections of coins from their years of service.



LLELA Murals, 2022

The LLELA murals were created by local college student-artists, and celebrate the flora, fauna, wildlife, and activities at Lewisville Lake Environmental Learning Area (LLELA).

“Each piece captures a different aspect of the mission, vision, and culture that we aim for at LLELA,” said Preserve & Greenbelt Manager Chris Chastain. “You can see elements of our educational, recreational, and restoration efforts in the beautiful depictions that now grace the walls of our buildings.”



Eternal Sustentation, 2022

Mural (part of the LLELA mural series)

Jessica Green

“Eternal Sustentation” portrays the interconnecting web of flora and fauna that LLELA aims to preserve and restore, while also depicting the diversity of the prairie, forest, and wetland habitats that produce an abundance of wildlife. The concept for the design reflects the UNT research office’s function as the center of all research and restoration activities at LLELA. The imagery depicts the movement of this research through a gear and pulley system that contrasts the roles of technology within nature.



The Heartbeat of LLELA, 2022

Mural (part of the LLELA mural series)

Kendra Brown and Juan Ramos

Two UNT CVAD students were selected to paint a mural that spans across three exterior walls of the Lewisville Staff Office at LLELA. The artists collaborated on the design and worked together to execute the murals, which use vibrant colors to depict naturalistic scenes of everyday activities at LLELA. The murals highlight the flora and fauna located at LLELA and promote the various activities visitors can engage in – camping, fishing, bird watching, and more. The murals also highlight the important roles the staff play in maintaining the nature reserve and helping the Lewisville community.



Stefon Eustache: Live at Lewisville Grand Theater, 2023

Musical Performance Stefon Eustache

In March 2023, singer/songwriter Stefon Eustache performed at the Lewisville Grand Theatre. Stefon assembled a showcase of talent from all over Texas and had collaborations and performances with each artist. Every artist that was featured in the line up is independent and composes, writes, records and produces their own music to some capacity.



Saucsey Thoughts Podcast, 2023

Poetry Performance
Samba Sey

In July 2023, poet Samba Sey performed his podcast, Saucsey Thoughts, live at the Lewisville Grand Theatre. Through his performance, Samba hoped to bring more awareness to “visual and verbal arts”. Samba believes that “words, rhymes, action” can express “the love of mankind” and ultimately “uplift humanity.”



From Shame to Grace, 2023

Performance Art
Lauren Luong

In August 2023, Lauren Luong and a group of 16 dancers, artists and singers took the stage at Lewisville Grand Theater for a performance that they hoped would bring awareness to mental health issues and available resources for those in need of assistance. The performance illustrated how shame manifests, turns into an obstacle, and can be overcome. The show had five acts that included various forms of artistic expression- dance, music, poetry, singing, performance art and live painting.



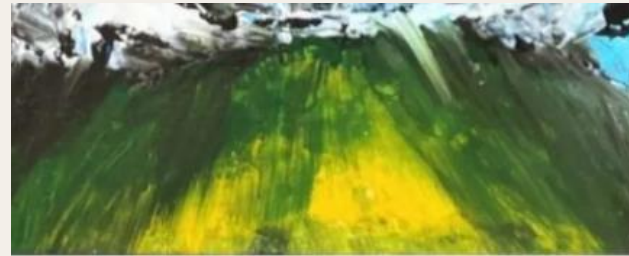


VIBGYOR, 2023

Visual Art Exhibition

Jyoti Tyagi

Visual Artist, Jyoti Tyagi, brought her solo exhibition, VIBGYOR, to Lewisville Grand Theater in October 2023. VIBGYOR stands for violet, indigo, blue, green, yellow, orange, and red. It is a mnemonic used to remember the order of seven colors in the spectrum of white light. “Just like the white light which is a mixture of different colors, VIBGYOR, my solo show, is a mixture of colors in the spectrum of different styles of works namely, Contemporary Abstract, Modern, Minimalism & Folk Art on different surfaces namely, canvas, paper and clay.”



Older Than Dirt And the Gap Between, 2023

Visual Art Exhibition
Marianna Seaton

In December 2023, North Texas abstract artist Marianna Seaton (along with fellow artist Jim Wilson) held her exhibition at Lewisville Grand Theater. The title of the show came from a memory Seaton had of her father. “In his 80’s he would often say that he felt ‘older than dirt.’ Now 62 years old, I consider the multiple meanings that could be extrapolated from the idea of being older than dirt.” The show contemplated this idea through paintings, drawings, collages and sculptures.

