

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Aaron Seagraves, Public Art Administrator

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SUBJECT: 2012 Golden Paintbrush Awards

The Ann Arbor Public Art Commission will present three Golden Paintbrush Awards on June 4, 2012 at the City Council Meeting. The annual Golden Paintbrush Awards honor individuals, businesses, and organizations in the community that have contributed to outstanding public art projects in the city. The awards are in recognition of public art works that add interest to our cityscape, beautify the community and create a sense of place. The three awardees this year are;

Jim Cogswell will be awarded for his large-scale work, the "Enchanted Beanstalk," at the C. S. Mott Children's Hospital. The monumental piece features imagery cut from vinyl affixed to 660 windows and upon eight stories of the hospital.

David Zinn is being recognized for his engaging chalk drawings on city sidewalks. The drawings feature a unique use of perspective and repeating characters with a lot of humor.

Margaret Parker is being recognized for her instrumental role in advancing public art in the city and service with the Ann Arbor Public Art Commission.