

Public Art Series Introduction

Public art helps to decorate and enhance the aesthetic quality of a built environment. This series includes photos of several different pieces of public art. While viewing these photos you may choose to consider how the following keywords apply to each photo. Then, consider how these keywords may apply to similar, present and future public art forms within your community.

Public Art Definition:

The erection, construction, alteration, operation, or maintenance of buildings, power plants or substations, water treatment plants or pumping stations, sewage disposal or pumping plants, and other similar public service structures by a public utility, by a railroad, whether publicly or privately owned, or by a municipal or other governmental agency, including the furnishing of electrical, gas, rail or passenger bus transport, communication, public water, and sewerage services.
(Escondido, California)

Keywords:

abstract art, aesthetic beauty, aesthetic beauty and charm, character, color, conversation pieces, culture, gathering place or meeting point, graffiti, historic advertisements, historic education, historic events, historic figure, identity, interactive art, landmark, politics, public attention, sense of place, social interaction, social issues, unique, urban art