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Artist Selected for 4th and Edmond Traffic Box

ST. JOSEPH, MO- Json Myers has been selected as the artist for the 4th and Edmond Street Traffic Box Art Project.

The Allied Arts Council and community members reviewed many applications and decided Myers' design was the best fit for the traffic box. A graduate from the Kansas City Art Institute, he has focused studies on engineering, sculpture, permaculture and super adobe building, and has created art for galleries, museums and public art.

Myers' design focuses on birds and architecture. Myers said he likes to leave his piece as a canvas from which other people take their experiences.

"I hope it means the world to someone," Myers said. "I'm a big fan of the extremes, with connections and emotion."

Teresa Fankhauser, executive director of the Allied Arts Council, is excited for Myers to add to the Downtown traffic box art.

"This traffic box is one block from the 229 exit, a major entry point to Downtown St. Joseph, and it's the perfect place to show off the talent of one of our local artists," Fankhauser said.

The goal of Allied Arts Council's Traffic Box Project in partnership with the City of St. Joseph is to create and paint art on traffic signal boxes and turn street corners into pieces of art. The artist plans to have it completed by Thursday, Nov. 1.

Myers said one of his favorite aspects of art is the connection it can have.

"If someone finds something in your art, you're providing a kind of connection they may not have access to," Myers said. "You're telling them it's okay; your weirdness is okay."

The Allied Arts Council was organized in 1963 to provide service to St. Joseph area arts organizations, artists, and the general public. The Council has since grown into a federation of sixteen arts agencies and now produces community arts programs, raises funds, promotes public awareness, and provides service and support to its member agencies. The Allied Arts Council seeks to make St. Joseph a better place to live through the arts, and its mission is to provide leadership and support for the arts and to its member organizations.

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