

13th Street



Imagine If There Really Were Dragons...

Artist: Kent Kraber

This towering art work captures the viewer's imagination, inviting them to remember storybook tales of kingdoms, knights and dragons. The artist used copper to create this sculpture and his dragon is depicted as a caretaker rather than a fearsome, menacing creature.

Map Location: #5



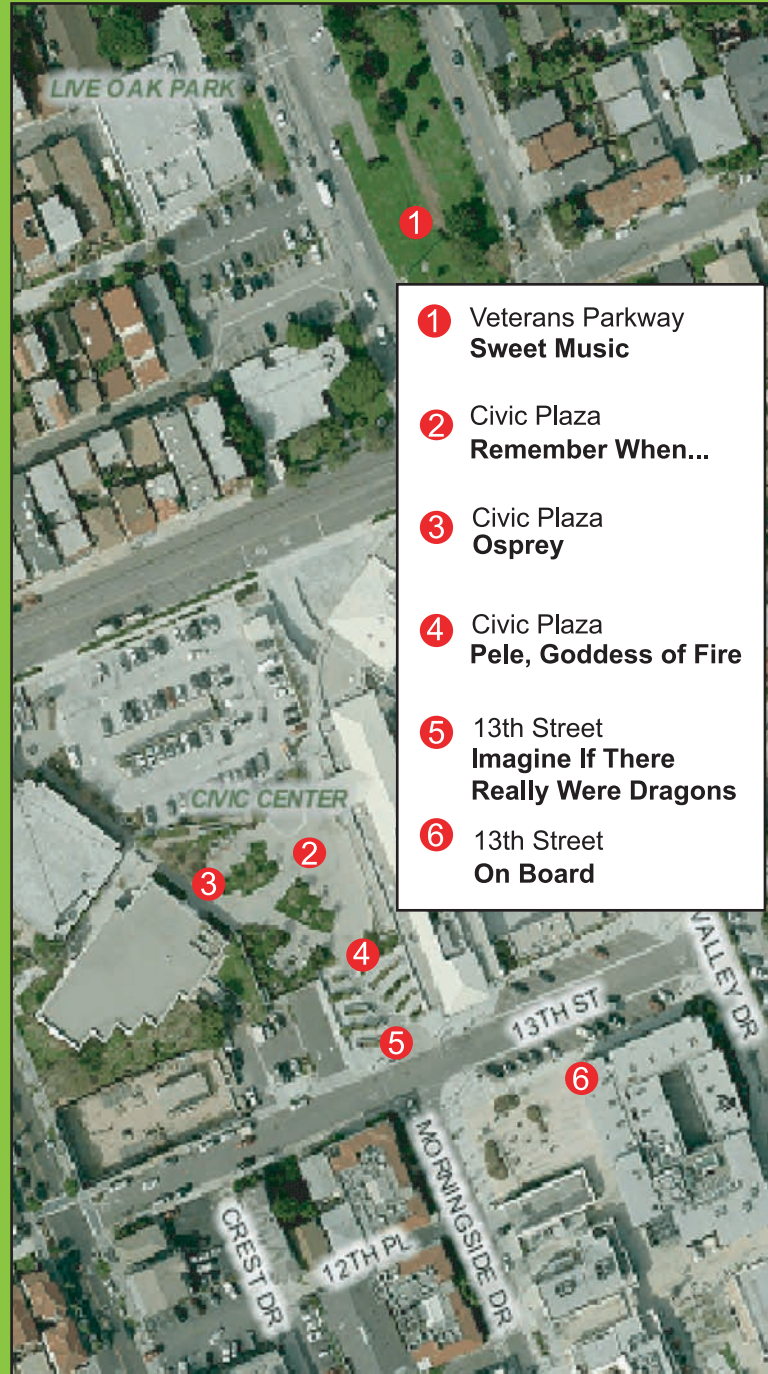
On Board

Artist: David Thefeld

In this fun and entertaining artwork, three spotted whimsical reptiles frolic on a game board that swirls to the sky. The gray and ivory checker board starts out narrow and widens as it reaches the sculpture's peak. Made from steel, foam and concrete, this 17-foot tall kinetic sculpture can be spun by turning the lavender wheel at the bottom, inside the base.

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City of Manhattan Beach
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Cultural Arts Division

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About the Sculpture Garden Program

2010 celebrates the Sculpture Garden Program's second temporary one-year exhibition with five sculptures installed in the Civic Center. The sixth sculpture in the Civic Plaza, Kent Kraber's Remember When..., was purchased by City Council as a permanent addition to the Sculpture Garden.

The City Council's directive to initiate the Sculpture Garden Program has brought art into the community's daily life. The City's vision for the Sculpture Garden is to enhance the community setting by displaying a variety of inspiring artworks. The sculptures will attract viewers and invite dialogue while offering an opportunity to gain understanding and awareness of the visual arts through open access and educational material.

The Cultural Arts Commission serves as an advisory committee and implements programs approved by Council. The Commission is committed to offering local students the opportunity to experience and expand their understanding of the visual arts by offering tours to the local schools. Increasingly, cities are discovering the power of art in creating opportunities for cultural tourism, economic development and image building. Cultural and artistic resources enhance the quality of life for individuals living in, working in, and visiting the City.

The Sculpture Garden Program is supported through the Public Art Trust Fund through an historic dedicated 1% development fee and does not impact the general fund.

A sincere thanks to the City Council for their continued support and to the Cultural Arts Commission for their dedication in bringing this public art program to fruition.

Veterans Parkway

Sweet Music

Artist: Amos Robinson

On bended knee, the musician serenades his graceful partner, who responds with a joyous dance. While love makes the world go 'round, it is the wind that sets this kinetic piece in motion and the sun and sky that enliven its reflective polished surfaces. The guitarist, the dancer and the parasol spin independently – creating an ever-changing sculpture designed to entertain and inspire.

Map location: #1



Osprey

Artist: Maria De Castro

The artist has always admired the graceful osprey that is often seen along the coastline. This sculpture is a composite form that features a female figure with an osprey head and in her hands she holds a fish. She stands erect wearing a kelp skirt and a headdress that represents the sun; she is made of ceramic, metal, wood and glass mosaic pieces.

Map Location: #3

Civic Plaza

Remember When...

Artist: Kent Kraber

This sculpture recalls the time of clear water and kelp beds abundant with large fish and sea creatures. It's created from steel and copper and features an array of sheepshead, garibaldi, kelp bass, octopus and yellowtail. Kent Kraber's sculpture was purchased by City Council as a permanent addition to the Sculpture Garden.

Map location: #2



Pele Goddess of Fire

Artist: Frank Mando

While traveling in Hawaii, the artist found inspiration in the stories of the mythological fire goddess Pele, whose home is thought to be on the slopes of Mauna Loa on the big island of Hawaii. The sculpture represents the inherent danger, beauty and volatile power that fire brings. Made of steel and aluminum, the sculpture also pays tribute to those who were affected by the firestorms in San Diego County. Map Location: #4