

UTILITY BOX ART PROGRAM DESIGNS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025**1. Artist:** Craig Barker**Short Bio:**

Craig “Skibs” Barker grew up in Southern California during the early 80’s and the explosions of both punk rock and surfing culture. With a healthy dose of punk flyers, album covers, and surfing magazines buzzing through his head, Craig began making flyers and t-shirts for his friends and his own punk bands. Fast-forward to today; Craig’s most recent paintings infuse his long-standing love for painting and rendering the human female figure with his punk fueled graphic design. Mixing different approaches, techniques, and mediums, he creates a sense of memory, personal history, and appreciation for the female form. Combining elements of pop culture, literary censorship, and a positive mental attitude, he creates layered scenes of voyeuristic mischief. Craig’s work explores the junctions between past and present, memory and imagination, fantasy and reality, while creating a dialog between image and viewer.

Website: <http://www.skibsart.com/>

Additional Information: Box #4 – Victoria St & Pomona Ave.

Artwork: Mesa Girls Are the Cutest in the Land

Original Medium: Mixed Media



2. **Artist:** Harlow Brezeale

Short Bio:

Harlow is a 9th-grade artist attending Newport Harbor High School who dedicates much of her free time creating detailed artwork based on her culture and personal interests. As a Pacific Islander, Harlowe loves incorporating the ocean in many of her works. Harlowe is excited to share her artwork with her community as she continues her creative endeavors.

Website: N/A

Additional Information: Box #98 – Fairview Rd. & Paularino Ave.

Artwork: An Ocean of Adventures

Original Medium: Watercolor



3. **Artist:** Karin Gallo

Short Bio:

Her artistic journey is profoundly shaped by her family—a lineage of remarkable women who ignited her passion for art. Traveling the world with her father further enriched her artistic perspective, allowing her to explore museums and exhibitions that deepened her appreciation for creativity. It was only a few years ago, after enduring a significant loss, that she embarked on a transformative journey of self-discovery. Through the healing power of art, she found solace and inspiration, allowing her to piece together her identity and rediscover her true essence. Her work became a visual testament to her innermost thoughts and the resilience of the human spirit. Now, as a fearless Chilean single mother of two living in California, she embraces her past while forging her own path as an artist. Despite life's challenges, she chooses happiness and gratitude at every turn. Her art is a joyful rebellion, aiming to unveil an unseen universe brimming with optimism and light. Through vibrant colors and dynamic forms, she expresses feelings of freedom and joy, bringing fresh energy to the everyday world. With a strong social conscience, she seeks to inspire others by showcasing the beauty and resilience inherent in the human experience. Through her creations, she invites viewers to join her in celebrating life's complexities and triumphs, reflecting a spirit that thrives on hope and creativity.

Website: <https://www.karingalloart.com/>

Additional Information: Box #113 – Harbor Blvd & Date Place

Artwork: Summer

Original Medium: Acrylic on canvas



4. **Artist:** Oshianna Garcia

Short Bio:

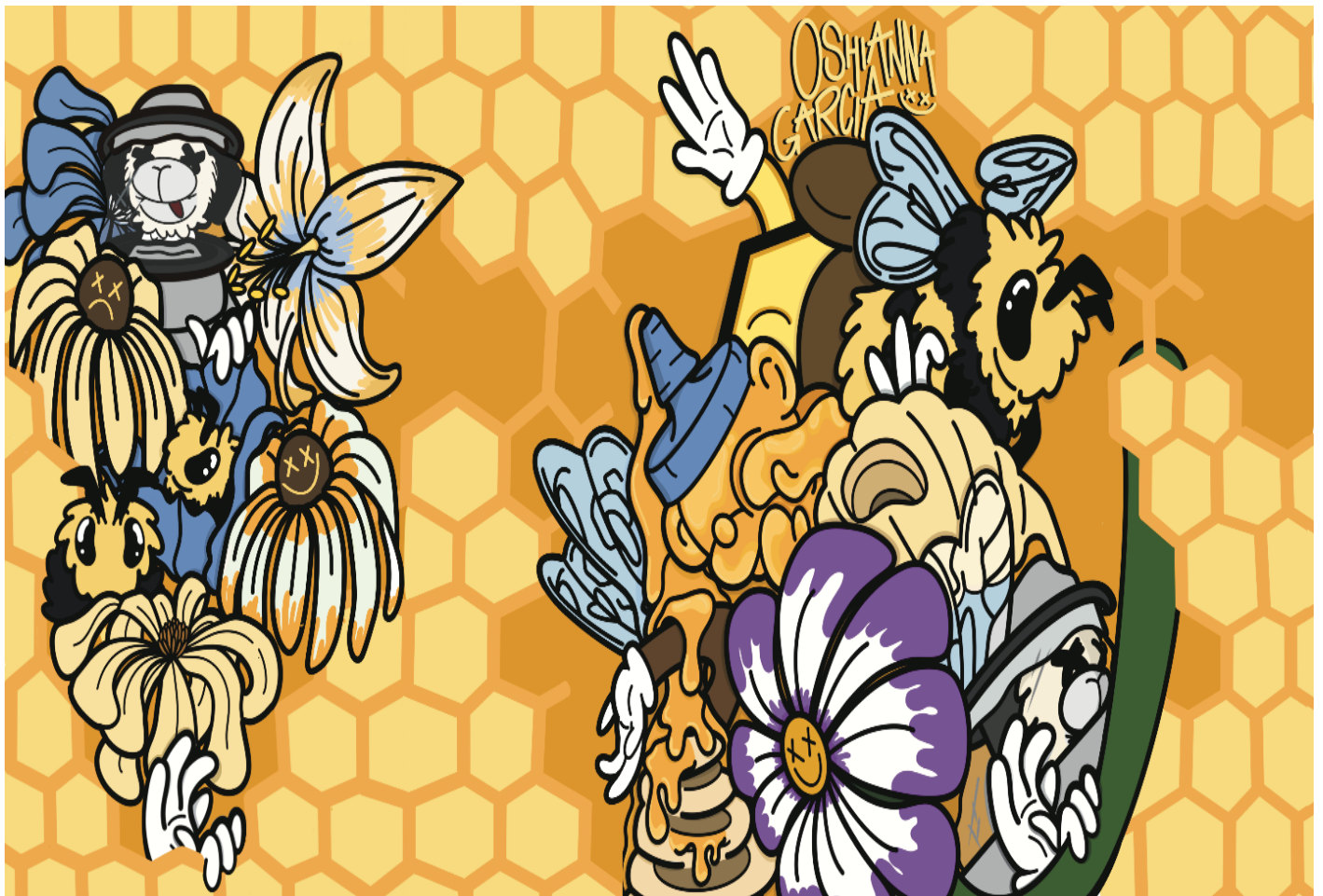
Oshianna Garcia is a self-taught artist from Huntington Beach, CA. She is an emerging artist and her work is displayed at the Hugo Rivera Gallery in Laguna Beach, CA. Oshianna's art is chaotic, colorful, and eye catching. Her art is a reflection of her experiences in life. Throughout her childhood and adolescence she was experiencing constant stress to the point where her health and mental wellbeing became more complicated. She's an only child who had to grow up fairly quickly. She always has felt alone in the world, and found a group of friends that have become more like family than her most of actual blood relatives. Something that keeps her going is finding the little things in life that bring her joy. She showcases the constant pressure and stress in her art by having her rubber hose characters intertwined and pressed against glass, or in this case, a utility box. While using bright colors to show the beauty amongst the turmoil.

Website: <https://dirtydawgzstudio.com/>

Additional Information: Box #109 – Hotel Way & Bristol St

Artwork: Honey Havoc

Original Medium: Digital Art



5. **Artist:** Toni Haas

Short Bio:

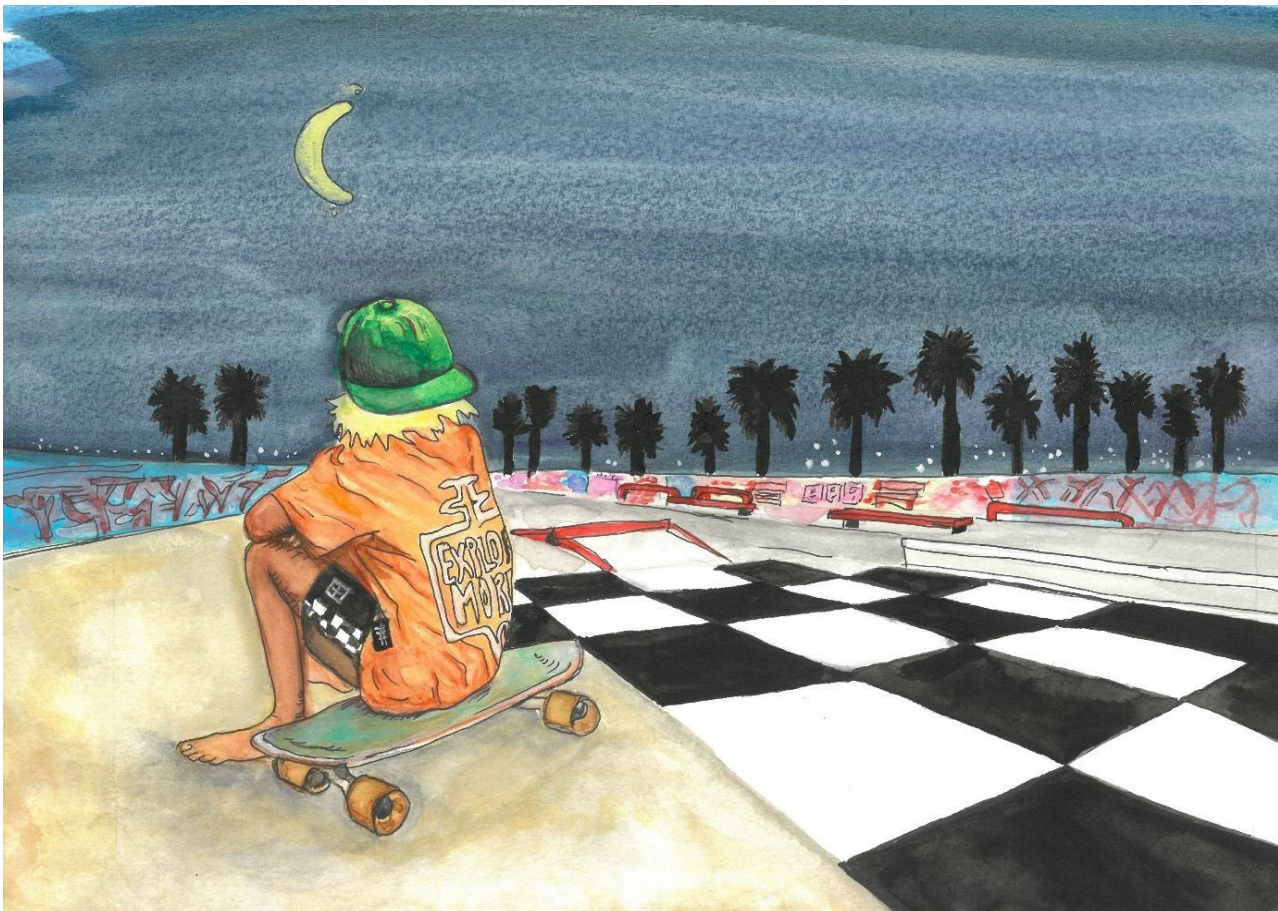
Toni Haas, a fifth-generation Southern Californian, beautifully intertwines her love for art and her deep roots in Huntington Beach within her work. Growing up in the San Bernardino Mountains and having spent numerous summers in Huntington Beach before making it her home in the late 80's, Toni's connection with the locale shines brightly in her narratives. Today, Toni cherishes moments with her grandchildren. For Toni, life is about family, nature, and making unforgettable memories.

Website: <http://www.goodnightsurfcity.com/>

Additional Information: Box #83 – Sunflower Ave & S. Plaza Dr

Artwork: Pacific Sunset Pier

Original Medium: Watercolors and technical pens



6. Artist: Bud Herrera

Short Bio:

Bud “Thirds Realm” Herrera was born in 1985 in East Los Angeles, California. He grew up drawing as early as the age of 5. His work continued to progress and evolve at the age of 11 he ventured into the art of graff. Graffiti art became his motivation in creating and gave him the confidence to paint larger works. In addition, it taught him perspective, color theory and further developed his artistic skills, which later translated into his work with acrylics. He is currently based out of Santa Ana. He has been awarded several grants from the city of Santa Ana’s Art and Culture Office. As well as been featured on the centerfold of Premiere OC guide to Visual Art October 2020 edition. The growing popularity and demand for “Thirds Realms” artwork has gained the recognition of many and can be found in a variety of private collections throughout Los Angeles, Ventura, Orange County and Mexico City. His work is influenced by nature, philosophy, symbolism, culture and organic elements. He occupies walls in public areas where people of diverse cultures and backgrounds can have access to free public art on their daily commutes. His objective is to continue create quality art, while sparking awareness and amplifying diversity in our community one wall at a time.

Website: <https://the3realm.wixsite.com/thirdsrealm/murals>

Additional Information: Box #11 – E. 17th St & Westminster Ave

Artwork: Costa Mesa Splash

Original Medium: Digital Art



7. **Artist:** Bob Hogue

Short Bio:

Painting found Bob after his recent retirement and selling his business of 35 years. With golf fading in his rear-view mirror, painting became his new priority. While on vacation he took an acrylic art class. This minor event sent him on a path that he never envisioned to be in his future. After painting on his own with little training, he started taking classes and experimenting with anything art related. The rest of the story is one more example of a path that was to become his destiny in the art field. He is now committed to bringing his imagination and creativity to life on paper and canvas. He explores a number of genres combining the effects of color and textures ranging from abstract and representational to mixed media and collage. He is an active member of the Orange County Fine Arts Association and exhibits frequently throughout Orange County.

Website: www.bobhogueart.net

Additional Information: Box #16 – W 19th St & Anaheim Ave

Artwork: Linked In

Original Medium: Acrylic on canvas



8. Artist: Lisa Korrine Kelsen

Short Bio:

Lisa Korrine is a Southern California native, currently residing in the vibrant community of Newport Beach. As a self-taught artist, she has been passionately creating art since her youth, exploring a multidisciplinary approach that encompasses her skills as an oil painter, graphic artist, and digital illustrator. Lisa received her training at Session College of Professional Design in Tempe, Arizona, where she honed her artistic abilities and developed a unique style that blends traditional and contemporary techniques. Her innovative and intuitive style is characterized by a deep connection to her inner self and the world around her. Lisa Korrine approaches each canvas with a sense of exploration and spontaneity, allowing her emotions and instincts to guide her artistic process. This intuitive methodology enables her to create visual narratives that resonate on a profound level, often revealing insights and truths that might not be immediately apparent. By embracing the unpredictable nature of her creativity, she invites an organic flow of ideas and imagery, resulting in works that are both personal and universal. In Lisa Korrine's art, each piece serves as a vessel—an intentional conduit for conveying deeper meanings and emotions. These vessels are infused with layers of symbolism and color, designed to transport viewers into the realms of their own contemplation and introspection. In addition to her artistic pursuits, Lisa Korrine is a medical professional who now dedicates herself full-time to her art. She is also an avid movie buff and theater enthusiast, finding joy in the storytelling that both mediums provide. In her free time, Lisa Korrine enjoys exploring new cuisines, beachcombing, and discovering local and exotic locations with her family and friends. Proudly, Lisa Korrine's legacy includes her three artistic and altruistic children, who have each carved their own paths as professional creatives.

Website: <https://lisakorrineart-selahartisan.godaddysites.com/>

Additional Information: Box #33 – Baker St & Fairview Rd

Artwork: Crowned with Glory

Original Medium: Oil on canvas



9. **Artist:** Kate Snow

Short Bio:

Kate Snow is a Southern California-based watercolor artist and large scale muralist. She specializes in photorealistic, highly-detailed watercolor pieces for gallery curations and private collectors. Her work has been featured at Gallery 1988, Spoke Art, Pow! Wow!, and Bergamot Station in Santa Monica. Her paintings have been published in Evolve Magazine and My Neighbor Hayao: Art Inspired by the Films of Miyazaki. Kate also works with city governments, communities, and private citizens to produce commissioned murals and public art pieces for cities all over Southern California.

Website: <https://www.katesnowart.com/>

Additional Information: Box #84 – Sunflower Ave & Park Center Dr

Artwork: We Love Costa Mesa

Original Medium: Digital Art



10. Artist: JJ Swartz

Short Bio:

JJ's art is rooted in capturing both the beauty and chaos of everyday life, drawing from personal experiences, nature, and the unique culture of the West Coast. Whether were carving out intricate details for a print, layering colors on canvas, or sketching ideas for a new zine, or just coming up with storylines, JJ's goal is always to evoke emotion and spark a connection with those who view or collect our work.

Website: <http://www.bloodrainbow.art/>

Additional Information: Box #123 – Randolph Ave. & Baker St.

Artwork: North South East West Angel

Original Medium: Digital Art



11. Artist: Alba Torres

Short Bio:

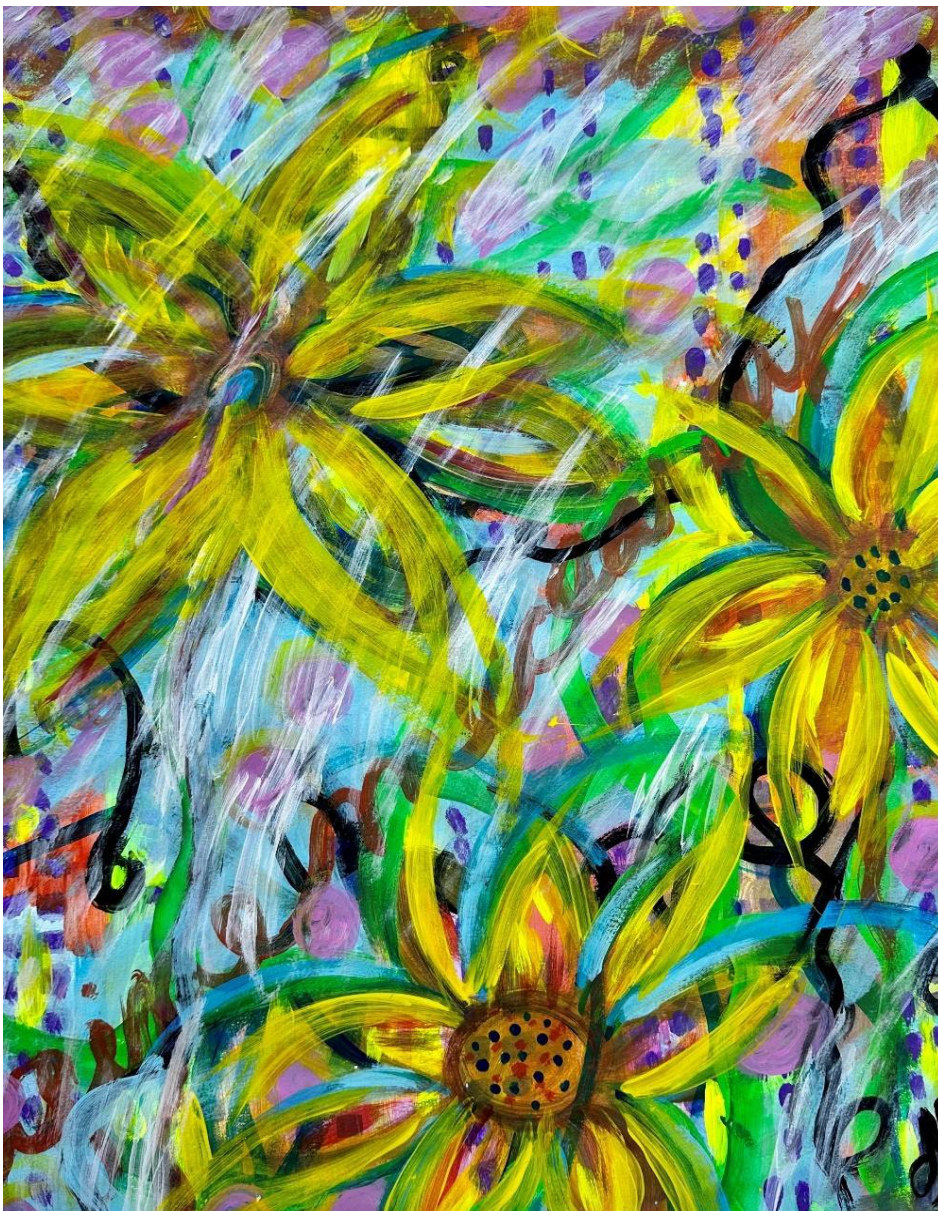
Alba is a Southern California native, who learned art by following mentors online beginning in 2022. She began her journey using art as a method, in exploration, for her own personal healing. Her work is vibrant, and mainly uses acrylic paints on canvas. She has showcased her work at Costa Mesa's ARTventure, and has displayed her art at the Laguna Art Museum.

Website: www.msalbaart.com

Additional Information: Box #40 – Placentia Ave & Fairview Park

Artwork: Transformational Blooms

Original Medium: Tempera paint on Mixed Media paper



12. Artist: Lorena Tuinenburg

Short Bio:

Lorena Tuinenburg is a self-taught multi-media and mixed media artist. A wife and mother of two boys, she was born in Argentina, and has been residing in SoCal since 1981. Her work is predominantly inspired by nature and she loves to experiment with new art supplies and different styles of art.

Website: <https://southmeetsnorth.store/index.php?CFID=a4a23555-4e59-4c73-94ad-a27e61f7abb2&CFTOKEN=0>

Additional Information: Box #89 – Anton Blvd & Park Center Dr

Artwork: Ocean's Ballet

Original Medium: Acrylic on canvas

