



MCKINNEY BLACK HISTORY MONTH

ART EXHIBIT

February 3, 2023

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ANCESTORS...

Heading EAST

East McKinney Redevelopment and Preservation projects will protect and redevelop the city east of Highway 5 with new public facilities and infrastructure improvements.

10 3-5 \$50M

projects and studies planned

year development timeline

bond approved to fund new city hall

MOBILITY AND ALIGNMENT STUDY AND NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION STUDY AREA

Upcoming studies in this area will determine what roads could connect to others and how to protect existing neighborhoods.



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History of East McKinney
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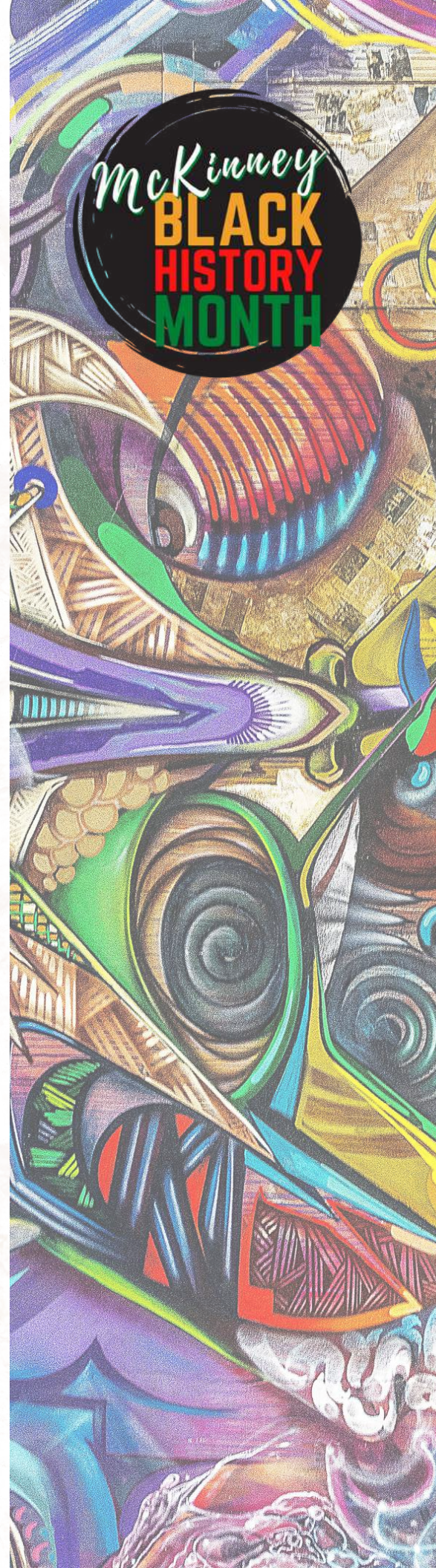
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Art Viewing

**Announcement
of Winners**

**Award
Presentations**

**Artists Panel
Discussion**



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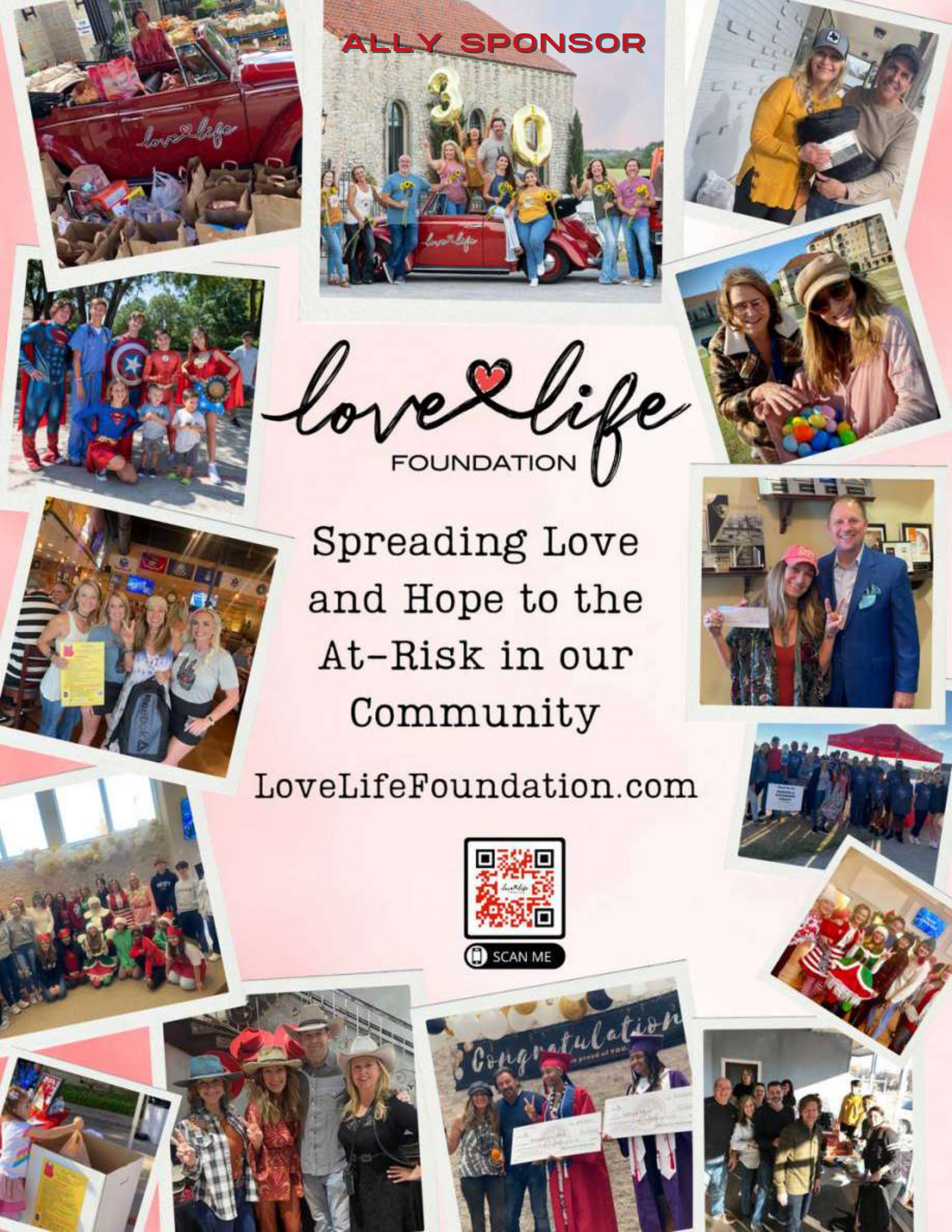
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PARTICIPATING ARTISTS



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Tyler Woodruff - "*Della-Mae*"

Shayna Sutton - "*Saartjie*" & "*Dahomey*" & "*Makeda*"

Juametta Terrell - "*Eastside McKinneyopoly: A Black History of East McKinney*"

Ebony Lewins - "*The Wise One*"

Demetri Cotton - "*Homage: To the Black Townships Destroyed By Hate*" & "*Quiet Strength, Ms. Opal Lee, the Grandmother of Juneteenth*" & "*Tulsa*"

Jessica Bell - "*Don't Shoot*" & "*Wealth*" & "*Series #3*"

Imani Black - "*Skyline Silhouette 1*" & "*Skyline Silhouette 2*"

Nicholas E. Gully - "*Harmony, Black Male*" & "*Surrender Or*"



PARTICIPATING ARTISTS



Gerald Bell - *"By Any Means Necessary" & "Opal Lee Cakes (Better Than Sara Lee Cakes)"*

Emilie Akua Opoku - *"Ama Martha Gambrah" & "Maame Serwah"*

Guinn Powell - *"Pocket Fulla Posies"*

Leslie Montena - *"Gems of Golden Soul" & "Progression of Seven Jewels of Golden Soul"*

Stephen Adkins - *"Sacred Milky Way"*

Deyjah Stewart - *"Curious Memories"*

Trey Wilder - *"Gesture"*

U Crosby - *"Karo" & "Support"*

Letora Fortune Anderson - *"Billie Holiday" & "Tuskegee Airmen" & "Jackie Robinson"*

Michael E. Johnson - *"Most of My Heroes" & "The Catch - Dez Bryant" & "Juneteenth - Celebrate Freedom"*

Simillolu Fadel - *"Connection" & "Solitude"*



CELEBRATING AFRICAN-AMERICAN ARTISTS

Black American artists have played an essential role in conveying American visual culture for centuries. Often mirroring their personal history and family traditions in their creativity, these artists have affected a wide range of American art over time.

Unfortunately, throughout history, artists of color have not received the recognition they deserve from audiences and art critics for their prolific portfolios, artistic experience, and contributions to the arts. Though their acceptance has for too long been denied, contemporary audiences are now becoming more accepting of diversity in the arts, prompting museums, libraries, and art shows like ours to emphasize works by artists from multiethnic and culturally diverse backgrounds.

Fortunately, contemporary audiences are becoming more accepting of diversity in the arts, prompting museums, libraries, and art exhibits to increase exposure.

For centuries, BIPOC artists have served as some of our most accurate historians. The experiences of Black Americans throughout history are preserved in their artwork. We honor the many generations of un-named, unseen, and unappreciated black artists by supporting their legacies as represented in the talented pieces featured in this year's McKinney Black History Month Art Exhibit.





McKinney Black History Month Art Show 2023

Made possible with the support of our community .

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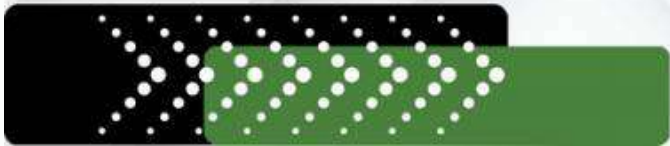
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