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Local Nonprofit Sponsors Sculpture Project at Humboldt School

Using recycled materials and concrete, students at Humboldt Park K-8 Charter School worked with two professional artists to create a permanent sculpture project to be displayed in the school's front garden.

Humboldt was selected to be part of a visual arts residency program sponsored by Artists Working in Education. During the 2009-2010 school year AWE will sponsor a total of 18 visual art residencies in collaboration with professional artists in Milwaukee schools.

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The Humboldt project, “A Circle of Friends,” reflects the school’s belief in environmentalism and their multi-cultural community. Students of this diverse school speak at least 18 different languages.

During the project students learned how to make concrete molds by mixing and pouring the concrete while learning the value of working together as a team. The work of art is a collaboration among the kindergarten, third and fifth grade students and professional artists Valaria Tatera and Kathleen Waugus, sponsored by AWE. The painted concrete forms will be placed in the front garden spaces of the school’s building. Students will celebrate the completion of their project during the school’s Winter Fun Night on Thurs., Dec. 3.

Artists Working in Education, Inc., founded in 1998, is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide youth in the Milwaukee area with arts enrichment programs to enhance human potential, advance learning and cultivate community. AWE’s two main initiatives are the School Studio, an artist-in-residence program designed to advance learning through the arts; and the Truck Studio, a mobile outreach program providing free art experiences for children in low income Milwaukee neighborhoods.

Note: This event is only open to the school community, if media is interested in attending, please contact the school for details.

Humboldt Park School Project Dedication Details:

Thursday, December 3, 2009 - 4:30-6:30 p.m. during Winter Fun Night

At Humboldt Park School, 3230 S. Adams St., Milwaukee.

For more information, please visit www.awe-inc.org or call 414-933-3877.

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