

# PUBLIC ART & PLACEMAKING



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# ARTS IN DOVER

- 2018 Adopted Public Art in CBD & Gateway Districts
- 2020 Culture and Recreation Master Plan Chapter
- Arts Commission
- Dover 400
- ArtBeat
- Survey



PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Parks and playgrounds are widely used and a significant part of Dover's recreation system. There are two not less, four pocket parks, six neighborhood parks, thirteen community parks, three elementary school playgrounds, and the middle and high school athletic fields. Many of these are within walking distance from a large portion of the City. The new playground at Henry Law Park is a good example of this as it has proved to be a fantastic resource. It has become a popular destination for both residents and visitors.



Results from the outreach process suggest that the City's parks and playgrounds may be used more often if the following elements were introduced or enhanced: improved lighting, increases in safety and maintenance inspections, inclusion of multi-generational equipment (e.g. expression swings, musical instruments, outdoor adult fitness park), additional seating choices, more shade options (natural or man-made), and alternatives to woodchips for ground surfacing.

PARK AMENITIES

Throughout the engagement process, there were several opportunities for participants to provide feedback on the types of park amenities they would like to see. The following is a consolidated list of some of the top park amenities that were identified:

- Bathrooms
- Splash pads
- Lighting
- Rock-climbing options
- Downtown dog park
- Public art
- Hammocks and adult-sized swings
- Kayak rentals
- Signage
- Cross-country ski trails and rentals
- Indoor pickleball
- Music offerings

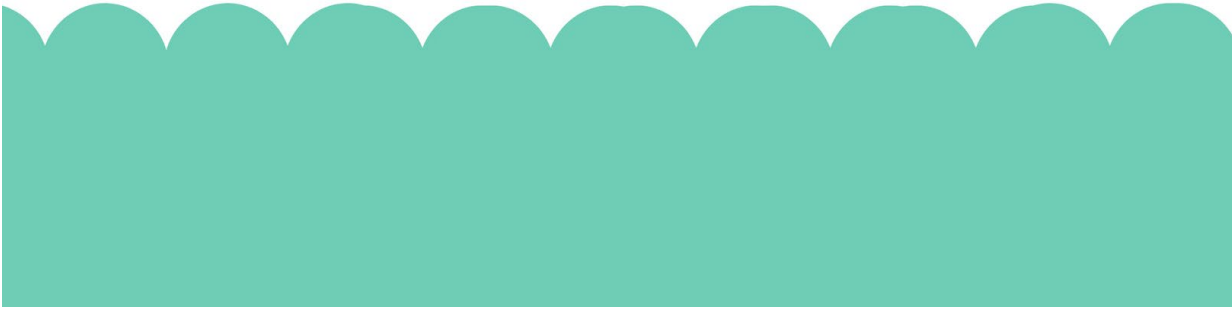
A family-friendly water park and an outdoor skating rink were two of the highest ranked priorities that went above and beyond incremental park amenity improvements and would require a substantial city investment.



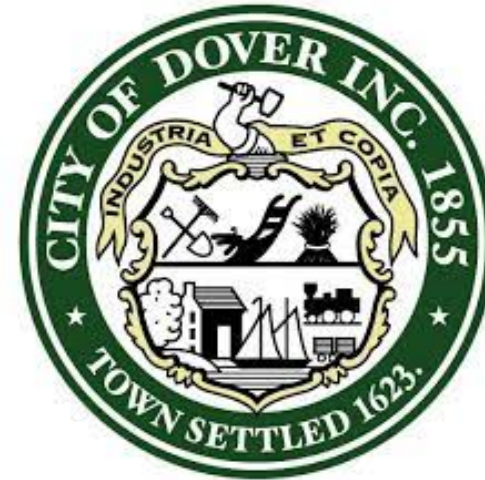
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# DOVER WAYFINDING



# PARTNERSHIPS



Remember Art is more than just physical murals and sculptures



# EXISTING ART ON THE DOVER COMMUNITY TRAIL





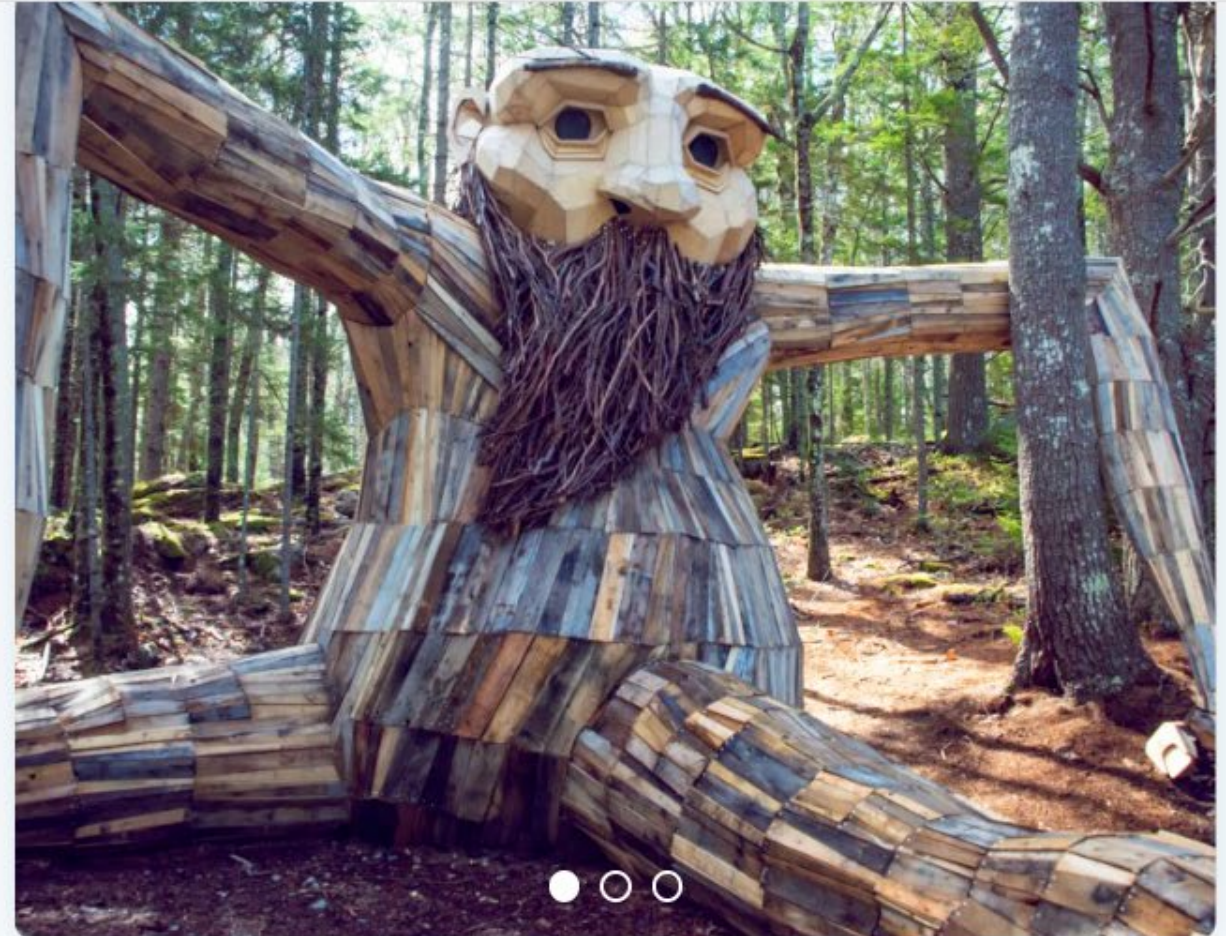
# OTHER IDEAS FOR ART

# GUARDIANS OF THE SEEDS

Guardians of the Seeds by Thomas Dambo

Go all-in on an experience that will stick with you for the rest of your life. Join us during the regular season as we focus on Maine's woods, from their history to their sustainability. Danish artist Thomas Dambo's magical, mysterious, and mammoth recycled-wood troll sculptures will anchor our efforts. Our trolls will help you discover new ways to lose—and find—yourself in our forests.

Hidden throughout our native, natural wooded areas, these giant trolls wait to be unearthed. They're friendly, but their message is something you'll want





# BUG HOTELS



# TIRE SCULPTURES





# COMING UP...

- Dover400 on Wayfinding Signs
- Dover400 painted crosswalks
- Public art added to Fourth Street Trailhead



### Sidewalk Chalk Photo Shoot Ideas for Kids







Great Googly-Moogly: Get a FREE STENCIL with any order of Rainworks Invisible Spray! Dismiss



# VOYAGE MARK II COMING TO DOVER

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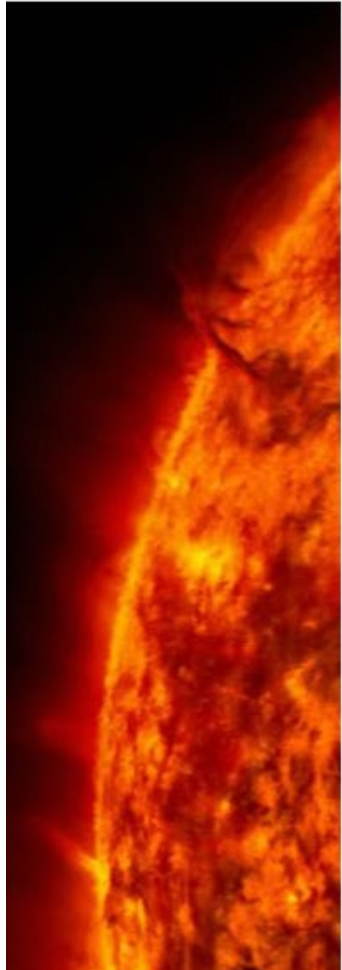
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## Voyage Mark II



on a college campus - inner solar system near the science building





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The Dover Arts Commission hopes to install a unique historical marker on the maintenance hole cover in front of where Mirage Studios was founded and where the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles were first created at 28 Union St. The house was demolished earlier this decade. *Courtesy/City Of Dover*





# DOVER 400 & WATERFRONT



## Identified Locations for Public Art

1. Gateway to Park
2. Art in Water
3. Overlook Pocket Park (Paving or Sculpture Element)
4. Retaining Wall
5. Historic Stone Wall
6. Nature Walk
7. Boat Storage Building
8. Pavilion
9. City Building on River Street



# RESOURCES

- NH State Council on the Arts
- Americans for the Arts
- OUR TOWN Grant
- NNECAPA Session October 2022
- LISC Creative Placemaking webinars
- National Endowment for the Arts
- Placemaking Certificate
- Bloomberg Asphalt Grants



**THANK YOU!**

# ANNUAL EXCELLENCE AWARD AND RECOGNITIONS

IN MEMORIUM



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