

SOUTHSIDE'S FLAGS

SSFA unveiled Southside Elementary School's first Free Little Art Galleries otherwise known as FLAG. The Free Little Art Gallery is a concept born out of the Little Free Library movement, inviting communities to create and share small works of art with one another. Students are encouraged to leave something, take something, or both! The exhibits will be ever-changing as artists of all ages and abilities contribute to the revolving gallery space.

President Hilary Yunis and Southside parent Kassandra Devlin were instrumental in bringing the FLAG concept to Southside. *"Art is for everyone young and old. That's a big reason why I volunteer for SSFA, because along with providing students with a Performing Arts teacher, the SSFA works to make sure all the arts are accessible as possible. This FLAG is a playful extension of that mission and I hope it inspires families of our community to create, view, and value artwork in new ways, and more often."* ~ Hilary

After launching the FLAG last May, we have encouraged everyone to participate by giving free art supplies to students throughout the school year. Whether you are a professional artist, a dabbler, a doodler, or a finger-painter, SSFA encourages you to share your work with others. The only requirement is that each piece be no more than eight inches tall to fit the gallery space.

The FLAG 's are a piece of artwork in themselves. Created by parent volunteers Robert Hynds and Eric Fenton, the FLAG's are miniature galleries made out of wood and PVC. They include a drop box to leave your art and an accessible door to select a piece to take home. You'll often see miniature observers bringing to life a scenario often seen in a real art gallery.

Always accessible, the Southside's FLAGs are located on the east side of the Main office inside the metal fence and a second location on the northeast side in the courtyard. The hashtag #SouthsideFLAG is being used to foster a sense of community and to share artwork with people who can't visit in person. Follow along on Instagram to see what's new and be inspired by other artists @ssfa_southside_foundation.

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Artwork by Mrs. DeNegriz and Mrs. Regan's 5th grade class in honor of Veterans Day.



GO GOLD Artwork by Southside Students



Artwork by Ezra (5th grade)



Artwork by Mrs. Hasbrooks 2nd grade class titled "GRATITUDE" & Fashion Show by Paloma Tucker titled "The House of Paloma"