



Communities Creating Their Own Public Art

A truly collaborative project is in progress under the direction of COMPAS artist [Mica Lee Anders](#), who is working with three Greater Twin Cities United Way organizational partners and their communities to create large scale multi-media pieces for their sites. Volunteers are learning and creating. The one of a kind pieces will beautify *Amherst Wilder, Pillsbury United Communities:Oak Park Community Center* and *RISE, Inc.* for years to come with artwork they personally had a hand in creating.



Interested in creating one of these masterpieces? Click [here](#).

Volunteers are still needed at the following locations and dates:

Rise, Inc.:

- Monday, November 7th: Three Shifts: 12- 1:15, 1:30 - 3:00 and 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Amherst H. Wilder Foundation - Community Center for Aging:

- Thursday, November 3rd: 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

- Wednesday November 16th: 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

**pictures provided by Oak Park Community Center & Rise, Inc.*

Creative Conversations

Artist Spotlight: Eloquent Educator, Kyle "Guante" Tran Myhre

"This isn't a very dramatic story, but I think it's an important story for students to hear: first, you don't have to be a certain type of outgoing, energetic person to be a performance artist. Second, a lot of this work is more about relationships than natural talent. Finally, and kind of combining those two impulses, spoken word is very much about building community and telling our stories. There's power in that, more power than just going up on stage and getting high scores from the judges."



How does an introvert perform for a living? [Find out](#) in Guante's complete interview.

Art Supply Giveaway Winner Announced!

Congrats to **Emily Isenberg-Jones** from **Laura MacArthur Elementary School** with Duluth Public Schools for winning the 2nd Annual COMPAS Art Supply giveaway! Each year the stash gets better and better! Look for our giveaway again early next fall.



Come See Us - Art Educators of MN Conference!

If you're attending the [conference](#) on November 4th check out **Arts + STEM = Powerful Learning!** program presented by COMPAS Arts Innovation Director Betsy Mowry Voss and COMPAS Artist [Gita Ghei](#) from 12:45pm-1:45pm in Courtyard 1 at the DoubleTree Hotel & Suites in Minneapolis. Learn about all the impactful ways STEM can be taught through the arts!

It's Almost That Time of Year Again...



Join us for COMPAS' celebration and reading of our 37th anthology of student writing, *A Bird That Swims & Flies*. Each composition in the Anthology was created by a Minnesota student during an artistic residency with a COMPAS writer, songwriter or spoken word artist.

Saturday, December 10th, 2016 at 1pm
Saint Paul's Landmark Center - First Floor Cortile

Want more details? Click [here](#).



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