

UTILITY BOX STORIES Public Art Exhibit

Dear Friends of heritage and culture,

I am proud to present UTILITY BOX STORIES at four corners (total five boxes) around Chinatown Calgary.

With a fleeting 10+°C on Monday making it possible for art wrap installation, the last two signal box artwork were completed yesterday afternoon.

All four signal box locations explore Time in different ways; from traditional Chinese calligraphy with historical photos of Chinatown, and the history shared by Tsùt'ínà artist about his ancestral grandfather Chief Bull Head and Fort Calgary, to stylised tigers inspired by the colours of Cantonese opera, to age-old medicinal remedies that have survived many generations, to contemporary Canto phraseology and street calligraphy.

For your artwalk:

Historical photos of Chinese YMCA and Mission (2 sides of box)
seth cardinal dodginghorse's *truth before reconciliation* (2 sides of box)
installed November 22, 2021 at Centre Street S. & 2nd Avenue SE
<https://twitter.com/CtownT2G/status/1463003562766594055>
<https://www.instagram.com/p/CWmtS52rwQr/>

Janice Wu's *Time to Heal*
installed November 22, 2021 at 3rd Avenue & 1st Street SE (across from Far East Shopping Centre)
https://www.instagram.com/p/CWm_lCrrvnm/
<https://www.instagram.com/p/CWpEB7tJ7LY/>

Lo S.T. [read LOST] 得閒飲茶 *Duck, Hen, Yam, Cha*
installed November 4, 2021 at Riverfront Avenue SE and 1st Street SE
Lots of hidden gems through the QR code leading to this website <https://evelyn244.wixsite.com/dhyc/cha>; including a glossary with audio tracks to learn Canto *and* music or video links that provide context for the phrase.
<https://twitter.com/CtownT2G/status/1462835491246526466>
<https://www.instagram.com/p/CWlfwQcPY9J/>

Wil Yee's *Time and Tigers*
installed 2nd weekend of October 2020 at Centre Street S. & 3rd Avenue SE
(across from Silver Dragon Restaurant)
<https://twitter.com/CtownT2G/status/1316438986978721792>
<https://www.instagram.com/p/CGGsvZIB7e0/>
<https://www.avenuecalgary.com/neighbourhood-gems-ballot#/gallery/273490710/?group=371696>
<http://calgarychinatowndevelopmentfoundation.com/2020/10/08/update-two-new-chinatown-murals-on-utility-boxes/>

The project is also on Mural Routes:

<https://muralroutes.ca/mural/time-and-tigers/>
<https://muralroutes.ca/mural/%e5%be%97%e9%96%92%e9%a3%b2%e8%8c%b6-duck-hen-yam-cha/>

And here, City of Calgary engage webpage for “Rename James Short Park”

<https://engage.calgary.ca/renameJSP/story/2553/536> and
http://www.fm947.com/hot_topics_detail.php?i=2598

And that completes the artwalk circuit. Enjoy!