Mural Artists
Kiessence Bassett, CARE art gallery trainee
Jamila Batchelder, community volunteer
Alexis Dove, CARE art gallery trainee
Kaitlyn Farmer, CARE trainee at Resident Arts
Sydney Gilbreth, CARE art gallery trainee
Rebecca Gray, CARE art gallery trainee
Bethanie Irons, CARE art gallery coordinator
Rachel Jeffries, CARE art gallery trainee
Emily Konrad, CARE art gallery trainee
Adeline Kraus, CARE art gallery trainee
Madeleine LeMieux, Resident Arts director
Emily Lloyd, CARE art gallery trainee
Hope Lloyd, CARE art gallery trainee
Jacob Lopez, CARE trainee at Resident Arts
Zack Roberts, CARE art gallery trainee
Joel Scott, CARE art gallery trainee
Lisa Simms, CARE art gallery assistant coordinator
Jazzymn Sims, CARE art gallery trainee
Orlando Smith, Jr., CARE trainee at Resident Arts
Zeke Stokes, CARE trainee at Resident Arts
Alison Thompson, CARE art gallery trainee
Pearl Van Etten, CARE trainee at Resident Arts
And many other community volunteers

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“Make A Brighter Future”

Tuesday, August 1, 2017
At 5:15 p.m.

Special Thanks
The Citizens of Columbia
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Columbia City Council
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Deputy City Manager JJ Muagrove
Parks and Recreation Commission
Jamila Batchelder
Mary Beth Brown
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Resident Arts
Taco Bell #456
This project is the second annual mural commissioned by the Columbia Parks and Recreation’s Career Awareness Related Experience (CARE) art gallery under the supervision of Resident Arts director, Madeleine LeMieux. This mural’s message is that we must learn from history to make a brighter future for ourselves and our community.

Underpass tunnel walls are often the target of graffiti artists, including those near Flat Branch Park. Research on graffiti prevention indicates that murals act as a deterrent for graffiti and creates a more inviting atmosphere for park and trail users. It is our hope that more murals will be painted on other underpasses in future years.

The CARE art gallery serves as a visual arts work site for the CARE program. Each summer, 15 creative youth are given the opportunity to work as paid artists for eight weeks. Art gallery trainees work with and learn from professional artists. The art gallery is funded in part by the Missouri Arts Council and the City’s Office of Cultural Affairs.

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Opening ~ Ron Schmidt, Supervisor, CARE Program
Remarks ~ Jamila Batchelder, Former Coordinator, CARE Art Gallery
Remarks ~ Bethanie Irons, Coordinator, CARE Art Gallery
Remarks ~ Madeleine LeMieux, Director, Resident Arts
Remarks ~ Ward 1 Councilman Clyde Ruffin
Conclusion ~ Ron Schmidt

Meet the Teen Artists and Unveiling

City Council
Brian Treece, Mayor
Clyde Ruffin
Michael Trapp
Karl Skala
Ian Thomas
Matt Pitzer
Betsy Peters

Mike Matthes, City Manager
JJ Musgrove, Deputy City Manager
Mike Griggs, Parks and Recreation Director

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Marin Blevins, Sue Davis, Daniel Devine, Linda Hutton, Meredith Donaldson, Ted Farnen, and Chad Henry