



Thumb Coast Storm Drain Art Project

Public Art With An Environmental Message



Grace Mason

The Art

Artists created designs reflecting messages of keeping our water clean, like "Only rain in the drain", "Be the solution to pollution", and "We're all downstream" to highlight storm drains across the watershed.

The Artists

Dozens of artists ages 6 - 76 years old brought their designs to life around the Blue Water Area. Mentor artists were paired with youth to create career exposure and civic engagement opportunities.



Megan Strachan



Josie Dimick

The Locations

Murals were painted on 24 storm drains in St. Clair, Port Huron, and Marine City, at highly visible locations near the St. Clair River. Can you find them all? Download our storm drain mural maps at scrivier.org/StormDrainProject.

Why Storm Drains?



Maxie Masters

Murals painted near storm drains bring awareness to the connectivity between storm drains and our rivers. A painted storm drain reminds us that what goes into the drain ends up in our rivers. When people make the storm drain-river connection, they are less likely to dump pollutants into storm drains and more likely to help keep them clean. Through art blended with education we can create positive change to improve waterways, protect fish and wildlife, and provide safe drinking water.

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Amanda Watson

More Murals!



Leslie Cieplechowicz

We are looking for more downtown businesses, neighborhoods and schools who would like to sponsor a storm drain mural near them or in your community. Email info@scriver.org or visit www.scriver.org/StormDrainProject