Connecting our community through art
“The City of Kirkland strongly values the integration of diverse art, culture and heritage to enrich the quality of daily life and enrich a dynamic community. Between 2010 and 2020, Kirkland will greatly strengthen the aesthetics and economy of our lakeside community by becoming a notable arts destination.”
2012 KCAC Achievements
- Renamed the Cultural Arts Commission and charged with focusing on the selection of the City’s public art collection
- Commission funded eight events and programs (via 4Culture)
- Collaborated with Summerfest to incorporate Shakespeare in the Park and youth art programs

2013 KCAC Achievements
- Commission consulted on public art projects including Bank of America, Transit Center Sculpture, King County Pump Station, and the Kirkland Public Safety Building
- Provided funding to ten art and cultural events (via 4Culture)
- Commission helped to populated the STQRY mobile app with Kirkland’s Public Art
- Participated in the Creative Vitality Index to understand the economic impact of artists and art organization on the eastside and within Kirkland

2014 KCAC Achievements
- Provided funding to eight art and cultural events (via 4Culture)
- Preliminary strategy for art activation for the Cross Kirkland Corridor
- Celebrated the public art opening at the King County Pump Station and Kirkland Justice Center
- Participated in the process and recommended remaining art at the Kirkland Justice Center
- Encouraged and supported Art in Private Development at Imagine Housing and Nytec
- Recommended Park Lane Outdoor Sculpture Garden

2015 KCAC Achievements
- Provided funding to six art organizations throughout the year (via 4Culture) including KAST, Summerfest, KPC, Studio East, KTUB, and KAC
- Produced and participated with Art Activities at Kirkland Summerfest along with supporting YAE
- Retooled organizational bylaws
- Revamped Public art tour so be self guided and be more detailed
- Hosted Kalakala anniversary party and began Kalakala project planning
- Retained Berger Partnership to work with CAC and community to develop the CKC Art Integration Plan
- Incorporated an Artist in Residence Program for City Hall remodel plans
- Celebrated installation of Crane in its Vigilance
- Cross Kirkland Corridor Art Integration Plan

2016 KCAC Achievements
- Updated the Public Art Policy
- Funded one art organization (TeenTix) and one art event (17th annual American Impressionist Society Show) via 4Culture
- Presented the Arts Fund Economic Impact Study of the Arts to the Planning and Economic Development Committee of City Council
- Produced and participated with Art Activities at Kirkland Summerfest along with supporting YAE
- Created and Artist in Residence
- Supported AIS show and Partnered with Kirkland Art Walks to reenergize
- Completed CKC Art Integration Plan
- Presented Arts Award at Kirkland Chamber of Commerce
- Capital improvement projects
  - Sidewalk art concept
  - Community outreach for 100th Roadway redesign
  - City Hall Remodel 1% for public art project
  - Participated in 100th Roadway redesign preliminaries
- 3 sculptures sold at Park Lane Outdoor Sculpture Gallery
- Installed The Spikes

Looking Forward
More projects are in process or on the way!
Thank you
Speaking of rusty pieces...