



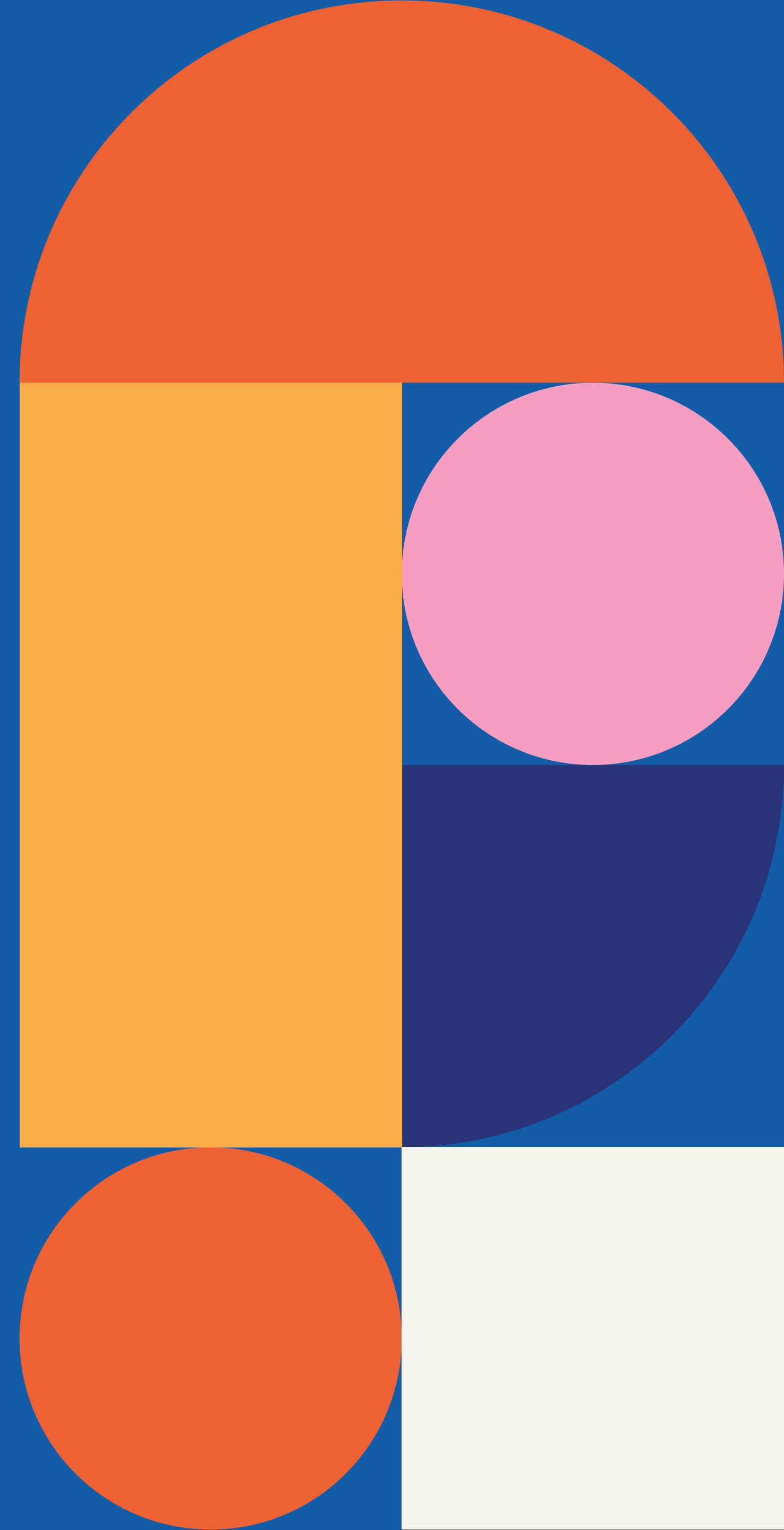
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Civic Art Program

# 2024 Annual Report

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## Definitions

### City Departments

- CFE** Houston First
- GSD** General Services Department
- HAS** Houston Airport System
- HFD** Houston Fire Department
- HPD** Houston Police Department
- HPL** Houston Public Library
- HPW** Houston Public Works
- HPARD** Houston Parks and Recreation Department
- Legal** Legal Department
- MOCA** Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs
- PMD** Parking Management Division
- SWMD** Solid Waste Management Department

# Introduction

The Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs (MOCA) is a division of the Mayor's Office which advances the Mayor's cultural priorities through the City's programs, partnerships, and communications. MOCA is the point of contact for many of the City's cultural initiatives and implements strategies that support the City's Arts and Cultural Plan, which was developed in coordination with the City's first General Plan.

In addition to managing the commissioning and conservation of permanent artworks through the City of Houston's Civic Art Program, MOCA facilitates the placement of temporary art, artworks gifted to the City's Civic Art Collection, community murals, and special projects which touch neighborhoods across the city. MOCA upholds the values established and described in the Cultural Plan to foster an environment in which art and culture flourish for the sharing and benefit of all residents of and visitors to Houston.

This annual report sets out the prior fiscal year's Civic Art Program-related activities and funding information. Budgets referenced in the project summaries are for the entire term of the project and often encompass more than one fiscal year.

The Civic Art Program is just one way the City of Houston invests in the cultural development of its communities.



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# Civic Art Program Overview

As part of the City's capital asset investment program, the City of Houston's Civic Art Program, managed by MOCA, produces and conserves permanent visual artworks for placement in public and civic spaces, city-wide.

Houston's Civic Art Ordinance appropriates 1.75 percent of design and construction costs on qualifying City Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) projects. The CIP is an annually updated five-year plan addressing the infrastructure needs of the City of Houston.

The primary objective of the program is to enhance the environment through the inclusion of artist-designed features and artwork in municipal facilities, supporting the City's commitment to neighborhood enhancement and to improving the overall quality of life and community well-being in Houston neighborhoods. As artworks are acquired and accessioned into the Civic Art Collection, they, together boost Houston's image as a vibrant and culturally rich metropolis, both nationally and internationally.

Civic Art projects include paintings, murals, prints, drawings, photographs, videos, films, decorations, stained glass, statues, sculptures, monuments, fountains, arches, or other structures of permanent character located on City property.

Civic Art projects are generated through the CIP by nearly every City department, typically as part of the construction of new facilities and major expansion. Civic Art funds are appropriated by City Council for eligible projects and only apply to capital projects for which funds are assigned.

The City's Civic Art Collection currently holds 838 accessioned works of art. The Collection grew by 30 works of art in FY24 through the installation of site-specific permanent commissions in Houston communities and both of Houston's airports and the installation of portable works at City Hall.

## CITY OF HOUSTON'S CIVIC ART COLLECTION

**838** works of art



**Jamal Cyrus and Charisse Pearlina Weston**, *The Meditative Space*, 2023  
The African American Library at The Gregory School, District C

Photographer: Alex Barber

# FY24 Activity Report

In Fiscal Year 2024 (FY24), MOCA authorized funds to initiate **11** new Civic Art projects. Work continued for **35** ongoing projects from previous fiscal years, for a total of **46** active projects. **15** active projects were closed out as complete in FY24, and **31** projects are still ongoing.

Civic Art projects in FY24 included work on **26** active projects for new artworks, **Five** of which were closed out as complete, and **21** of which are ongoing. **Three** of the ongoing projects for new artwork were initiated in FY24; **18** were initiated in FY23 or earlier.

**Ten** conservation projects were active in FY24, **seven** of which were closed out as complete, and **three** of which are still ongoing. Of all conservation projects active in FY24, **four** were initiated in FY24, and **six** were initiated in FY23 or earlier.

**Ten** collection management projects and projects for other services were active in FY24, **three** of which were closed out as complete, and **seven** are still ongoing. **Three** of the active projects for collection management were initiated in FY24; **seven** were initiated in FY23 or earlier.

The total amount of Civic Art funds authorized for projects active in FY24 was **\$10,171,008.50** which includes **\$1,335,449.60** in funds authorized for projects initiated in FY24 in addition to the **\$8,835,558.89**, authorized for projects started in previous fiscal years.

For projects taking place during FY24, Civic Art funds in the amount of **\$1,764,337.40**, were paid in fees for artists and conservators for work on new art acquisitions and conservation projects through Houston Arts Alliance.

Project management for delivery of these projects and was carried out under contract by Houston Arts Alliance (HAA), to whom **\$208,493.95**, was paid for administrative services.

In total, during FY24, Civic Art funds in the amount of **\$1,972,831.35** was expended by the City of Houston for project costs and fees for active Civic Art Program projects.

## FY24 PROJECTS SUMMARY

- 11** new projects
- 35** ongoing projects
- 46** active projects



**Nancy Newberry**, "Flag 0700", 2022  
City Hall Basement, District I

Photographer: Alex Barber

# Active Projects & Projects per Department

## Active Projects Table 1

The summary of activity is as follows:

Project Type	FY23	FY24
New Artwork Commissions/Acquisition	33	26
Conservation	18	10
Collection Management	7	10
<b>Total</b>	58	46

The **46** active projects include Civic Art activities within **seven** City departments or department divisions and **four** city council districts (B, C, H, and I). **Four** collection management projects are city-wide, and some affect various council districts.

The **two** commission projects at the North Belt Safety Complex merge the activity of **two** departments: HPD + HFD.

## Active Projects Per City Departments Table 2

The breakdown of new and ongoing activity by department is as follows:

Department	FY23	FY24
GSD	5	5
HAS	27	27
HFD	1	1
HHD	3	0
HPARD	3	0
HPD	3	1
HPD + HFD	2	2
HPL	7	4
PWE	1	2
HHD / HPL / HPARD	3	0
HHD / HPL / HPARD / GSD	1	0
MOCA	2	4
<b>Total Active Projects</b>	58	46

# Funds in Service

## Department Funding Pool Balances

Funds in Service is the percentage of available funding allocated to and reserved for Civic Art projects through Letters of Authorization (LOAs). Funds for Civic Art Program activity is calculated as a percentage of total available funds per department funding pool.

Available Funds are equal to the End of Year (EOY) Balance for FY23 plus funds newly appropriated in FY24, as well as the return of unused funds from projects completed or closed out during the fiscal year.

Funds in Service Table 3						
Department	FY23 EOY Balance	Added Funds	Available Funds	Activities	FY24 EOY Balance	% In Service
General Government (GG)	\$15,598	\$0	\$15,598	\$0	\$15,598	0%
Houston Airports (HAS)	\$4,873,746	\$130,174	\$5,003,920	\$(1,131,564)	\$3,872,356	23%
Houston Fire Dept. (HFD)	\$602,021	\$0	\$602,021	\$0	\$602,021	0%
Houston Health Dept. (HHD)	\$530,742	\$313,087	\$843,829	\$0	\$843,829	0%
Houston Parks & Rec Dept. (HPARD)	\$194,237	\$19,143	\$213,380	\$0	\$213,380	0%
Houston Police Dept. (HPD)	\$32,569	\$874,128	\$906,697	\$0	\$906,697	0%
Houston Public Library (HPL)	\$311,269	\$18,762	\$330,031	\$(2,070)	\$327,961	1%
Houston Public Works (HPW)	\$51,353	\$0	\$51,353	\$0	\$51,353	0%
Solid Waste Management Dept. (SWMD)	\$185,941	\$0	\$185,941	\$0	\$185,941	0%
Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund	\$574,871	\$0	\$574,871	\$(127,446)	\$447,425	22%
Other (4039)	\$290,179	\$10,929	\$301,108	\$0	\$301,108	0%
Other (1800)	\$23,447	\$0	\$23,447	\$0	\$23,447	0%
Other (1850)	\$101,324	\$26,000	\$127,324	\$(97,897)	\$29,427	77%
Special Revenue (2310)	\$8,215	\$0	\$8,215	\$0	\$8,215	0%
Special Revenue (2425)	\$8,988	\$0	\$8,988	\$0	\$8,988	0%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$7,804,499</b>	<b>\$1,392,223</b>	<b>\$9,196,722</b>	<b>\$(1,358,977)</b>	<b>\$7,837,745</b>	<b>15%</b>

# New Artwork Commissions & Acquisitions

FY24 saw **26** projects active for new artworks in **three** districts: B, C, and I. **Four** of the projects were initiated in FY24. Among all active projects in FY24, **five** were closed out within the fiscal year and 21 are ongoing.

In total, the city has allocated **\$9,083,228.40** for these projects, the earliest of which began in FY20; of these funds, **\$830,005.32** was authorized for new commission and acquisition projects initiated in FY24

**Commission & Acquisition Projects** Table 4

LOA #	LOA Date	Initiated	Project Type	Department	District	Project Name	Authorized Funds	FY24 EOFY Status
LOA 002	9/5/2019	FY20	New Artwork Commission	HPL	C	Barbara Jordan Commemoration Monument	\$282,500.00	Closed Out
LOA No. 20R4	4/20/2020	FY20	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B + I	New Art Aquisitions (Commissions)	\$1,821,000.00	Closed Out
LOA 0010R1	1/4/2021	FY21	New Artwork Commission	HPW	C	Municipal Workers Memorial	\$220,000.00	Ongoing
LOA 0012	3/8/2021	FY21	New Artwork Commission	HPL	C	Barbara Bush Literary Plaza	\$33,705.38	Closed Out
LOA No. 35A	8/19/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP MLIT A - N.D. 1 - 6 (Gates)	\$71,415.93	Ongoing
LOA 0016	8/25/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HPD + HFD	B	North Belt Safety Complex	\$48,000.00	Ongoing
LOA No. 45A	12/27/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP D1-D3 (Departures Hall)	\$73,893.81	Ongoing
LOA No. 46A	12/28/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP D5 (Departures Garage Wall)	\$52,123.89	Ongoing
LOA No. 48A	12/30/2021	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP A2 (Arrivals Garage Wall)	\$52,123.89	Ongoing
LOA 0022	1/24/2022	FY22	New Artwork Acquisition	GSD	C	City Hall Basement Portable Works	\$105,000.00	Closed Out
LOA No. 36AR1	3/11/2022	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP MLIT B - N.D. 8 (Hold Room)	\$48,008.85	Ongoing



**Commission & Acquisition Projects** Table 4 (Continued)

LOA No. 37AR1	3/11/2022	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP MLIT C - N.D. 9 (The Knuckle)	\$71,017.70	Ongoing
LOA No. 49AR1	3/11/2022	FY22	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP A3 (Arrivals Interior Elevator Wall)	\$29,115.04	Ongoing
LOA No. 35B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP MLIT A - N.D. 1 - 6 (Gates)	\$828,584.07	Ongoing
LOA No. 36B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP MLIT B - N.D. 8 (Hold Room)	\$451,991.15	Ongoing
LOA No. 37BR1	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP MLIT C - N.D. 9 (The Knuckle)	\$1,030,000.00	Ongoing
LOA No. 45B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP D1-D3 (Departures Hall)	\$926,106.19	Ongoing
LOA No. 46B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP D5 (Departures Garage Wall)	\$647,876.11	Ongoing
LOA No. 48B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP A2 (Arrivals Garage Wall)	\$647,876.11	Ongoing
LOA No. 49B	7/22/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	ITRP ICP A3 (Arrivals Interior Elevator Wall)	\$170,884.96	Ongoing
LOA 0029	9/7/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HPD + HFD	B	North Belt Safety Complex (Design + Install)	\$538,000.00	Ongoing
LOA 0031	9/26/2022	FY23	New Artwork Commission	HPL	C	New Montrose Library / Montrose Collective	\$104,000.00	Ongoing
LOA 0041	7/18/2023	FY24	New Artwork Commission	HPL	C	Gregory School Plaques / Concrete Reimbursement	\$2,070.00	Closed Out
LOA No. 55	8/14/2023	FY24	New Artwork Commission	HAS	B	12 New Vitres for Portable Works at IAH	\$197,935.32	Ongoing
LOA No 56	8/15/2023	FY24	New Artwork Acquisition	HAS	B	3D Portable Works	\$262,500.00	Ongoing
LOA No. 57R1	9/19/2023	FY24	New Artwork Acquisition	HAS	B	2D Portable Works	\$367,500.00	Ongoing

# Conservation Projects

FY24 saw **ten** conservation projects active in **four** districts: B, C, H, and I. Among these projects, **seven** were completed within the fiscal year, **12** of those closed out, and **three** are still ongoing. Of all conservation projects active in FY24, **four** were initiated in FY24, and **six** were initiated in FY23 or before.

In total, the city has allocated **\$629,100.09** for these projects, the earliest of which began in FY21; of these funds, **\$377,057.78** was authorized for new commission and acquisition projects initiated in FY24.

**Conservation Projects** Table 5

LOA #	LOA Date	Initiated	Project Type	Department	District	Project Name	Authorized Funds	FY24 EOFY Status
LOA No. 32R1	6/21/2021	FY21	Conservation	HAS	B	Beakdwork by Hirschfield	\$55,035.25	Closed Out
LOA 0021	1/19/2022	FY22	Conservation	GSD	H	Allen Bros Conservation + Plaque	\$13,773.74	Closed Out
LOA 0026	6/6/2022	FY22	Conservation	GSD	C	Mayoral Portraits	\$22,368.75	Closed Out
LOA 0027	8/19/2022	FY23	Conservation	HFD	I	Appreci8 Conservation	\$13,442.50	Closed Out
LOA 0035	1/26/2023	FY23	Conservation	HPD	C	HPD Officers Memorial Restoration	\$44,533.41	Closed Out
LOA No. 53	3/17/2023	FY23	Conservation	HAS	B	Mickey Leland conservation	\$102,888.66	Ongoing
LOA 0040	7/14/2023	FY24	Conservation	HPW	C	Down Periscope Conservation	\$7,446.30	Initiated/Closed Out
LOA No. 54	7/27/2023	FY24	Conservation	HAS	B	Relocation of Beadwork at IAH	\$337,788.98	Initiated/Ongoing
LOA No. 59	10/10/2023	FY24	Conservation	HAS	B	Perpetual Celebration Tapestry Conservation	\$13,502.50	Initiated/Closed Out
LOA No. 60	10/10/2023	FY24	Conservation	HAS	B	Pentaplexity conservation	\$18,320.00	Initiated/Ongoing

# Collection Management Projects

FY22 saw **ten** projects active for collection management and other services. **Three** of these projects were initiated in FY24, while **seven** were ongoing from previous fiscal years.

Combined, a total of **\$458,680.00** of Civic Art funds has been authorized for these projects, **\$128,386.50** of which was authorized in FY24.

Collection Management Projects Table 6								
LOA #	LOA Date	Initiated	Project Type	Department	District	Project Name	Authorized Funds	FY24 EOFY Status
LOA 004	1/15/2020	FY20	Collection Management	GSD	Various	Civic Art Collection Managment	\$19,140.00	Ongoing
LOA No. 22	5/5/2020	FY20	Collection Management	HAS	B + I	Collection Managment + Other Services	\$28,380.00	Ongoing
LOA 0011	5/10/2021	FY21	Collection Management	GSD	Various	Collection Management - Additional Scope	\$39,792.50	Closed Out
LOA No. 34	6/23/2021	FY21	Collection Management	HAS	B + I	Exhibition & Display (2)	\$77,000.00	Ongoing
LOA No. 52	8/19/2022	FY23	Collection Management	HAS	B + I	HAS Plaques (600)	\$14,302.00	Closed Out
LOA 0036	3/9/2023	FY23	Collection Management	MOCA	ALL	Gifts and Deaccessions Recommendations	\$14,300.00	Ongoing
LOA 0038	5/24/2023	FY23	Collection Management	MOCA	ALL	Appraisals for the Civic Art Collection	\$137,379.00	Ongoing
LOA No. 58	10/10/2023	FY24	Collection Management	HAS	B + I	Collection Photograph - IAH and HOU	\$30,489.25	Initiated/Closed Out
LOA 0042	11/1/2023	FY24	Collection Management	MOCA	All	Collection Photography	\$19,473.00	Initiated/Ongoing
LOA 0043	11/29/2023	FY24	Other Services	MOCA	All	Collection Website Development	\$78,424.25	Initiated/Ongoing

# Temporary Art

Each fiscal year MOCA works with City of Houston departments to authorize the installation of non-permanent artworks on City of Houston property. Temporary Art Permits, issued by Houston Public Works, are approved through an inter-departmental a process which begins with artwork proposal submissions to MOCA.

In FY24 **two** permits for temporary artworks were issued for limited-term placement on City property in **two** Council Districts (C and G); in total, permits issued during FY24 allowed for the placement of **20** temporary artworks across the City of Houston.

**Temporary Art Projects** Table 7

Project Type	Artworks Installed	District	Requested by	Permitting Dept.	Location
True North 2023	10	C	Redbud Projects	HPARD	Heights Boulevard
New Artwork Commission	10	G	Redbud Projects	HPARD	Richmond Avenue



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