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[Duluth, MN] The City of Duluth, through the Imagine Canal Park initiative, will unveil three art pop-ups in Canal Park on May 15, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. These unique art installations will highlight local artists and will be displayed on utility cabinets. Adding art to Canal Park was one of the most common suggestions from the Imagine Canal Park community events held in late 2017 and throughout 2018.

Sarah Agaton Howes, Angel Sarkela-Saur, and Adam Swanson were selected as the three finalists from a pool of fourteen submissions. The submission requirements included criteria pertaining to proximity and subject matter: artists needed to live within 25-miles of Duluth and to propose positive and original high-quality artwork that would enliven the community while reflecting the theme of “the waterfront.” All submissions were judged by a panel.

Imagine Canal Park’s mission is to use data collection and pop-up projects to test initiatives, programming, and design changes that bring together residents from different backgrounds and socioeconomic levels, creating opportunities that grow social capital and build connections to Lake Superior and each other. Imagine Canal Park is funded through the Knight Foundation’s Knight Cities Challenge.

The utility box art will be displayed from May 15th throughout the summer months. This pilot project aligns with policies and strategies in the Imagine Duluth 2035 comprehensive plan update for placemaking, public art, and urban design.

To learn more about Imagine Canal Park, go to <http://www.imagineduluth.com/canalpark2/>

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