BEYOND WALLS
Creative Placemaking
Arts and Culture: Successful Economic Engine

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Increased walkability
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#Lynn Loves
This Lynn nonprofit is known for its murals. Now, it’s making hand washing stations

The nonprofit Beyond Walls is producing hand-washing stations to complement Lynn’s embrace of outdoor dining

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Lynn Vocational Technical Institute students Thomas Miles and Arthene Morales, both 18, constructed one of Beyond Walls’ architecturally pleasing wash stations.  

LYNN — In a downtown punctuated by giant murals from artists around the world, it’s easy to overlook the sleek, stainless steel hand-washing stations that have been popping up near social service agencies, shelters, and outdoor restaurant spaces.

But to Beyond Walls, the Lynn nonprofit behind both the colorful outdoor paintings and the more functional sanitary installations, both are examples of design with a purpose: bringing people back into downtowns whose economies are in desperate need of business.

Since pitch, Beyond Walls has made a name for itself helping communities to organize and commission public art projects by well-known creators — first in Lynn and recently in Cambridge, Beverly, and Peabody. But the COVID-19 pandemic has made such efforts difficult. So Beyond Walls is looking for a new style that can help: walkable, accessible, cost-effective, durable, and complete with educational signs that explain their purpose and evolution.
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When COVID-19 forced us to stay apart, Lynn’s students came together to express their unique experiences in 2020, their fears and frustrations, and their gratitude for heroes at home.

Thank you to Lynn’s youth for offering your visual artwork, spoken words and written stories with our community, and for telling your truths.
TRUTH BE TOLD - 2021 CULMINATION
2020 IMPACT

1,500+ face masks distributed to Lynn youth

30 WaSH handwashing stations installed

261' FoLD outdoor dining installed

200+ youth stories submitted for Truth Be Told
AWARDS

2021: AIA Regional & Urban Design Award
2020: AIA Film Challenge Finalist - WaSH
2019: Boston Society of Architects, Honor Award for Excellence
2019: Rudy Bruner Award for Urban Excellence
2019: AIA Emerging Professionals Exhibit: Design for Equity
2019: LIT Lighting Design Awards, Honorable Mention
2018: Gateway Cities Innovation Award Winner
2018: HUBweek Art Award: ‘Most Impactful Public Art’
IMMEDIATE PROGRAM FOCUS

Artwork + Educational Resource + Mural Tour
Taking the Classroom To the Streets
Taking the Classroom to the Streets uses large-scale works of public art as the foundation for an innovative, cross-curricular educational experience for youth.
TAking the Classroom to the Streets Impact

2,000+ youth experienced a mural tour

12 lesson plans built

750 students utilized the CTTS resource this summer

21+ countries represented in our street art

51 teachers engaged with the CTTS resource
Thank you

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