

The West Chicago Cultural Arts Commission is comprised of volunteers appointed by the mayor. Commissioners seek to enrich the lives of all West Chicago residents through the support of cultural arts activities. The Commission sponsors art shows, special events and workshops. The Commission is also in the process of completing a Public Art Master Plan. Please see the City of West Chicago's website for more information about the Plan at www.westchicago.org.



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West Chicago's Public Art tells the community's many stories, serves to document the past and present, and creates a sense of place that is uniquely West Chicago.

Explore More Public Art in West Chicago

in this together (2013), Anni Holm
103 W. Washington

Downtown Street Banner Display
Annually May-August

Signa Rotae (2016), Buddy Plumlee
Sesquicentennial Park
475 Main Street

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Public Art Dedication for

loveevenmore

by Matthew Hoffman

August 8, 2018 5:00 p.m.

West Chicago Public Library

118 West Washington Street

West Chicago, Illinois 60185

Program

loveevenmore by Matthew Hoffman

Welcome: Mayor Ruben Pineda

Supporting the Arts: Ben Weseloh - Director, West Chicago Public Library

Introduction: Sara Phalen - Director, West Chicago City Museum

About the Art: Matthew Hoffman, Artist

Unveiling of *loveevenmore* followed by refreshments

Acknowledgements

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Special thanks to members of the West Chicago Cultural Arts Commission for accomplishing their mission through this project of enriching the lives of all who live, work and visit in West Chicago.

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"This beautiful work of art conveys a timeless message that is especially needed in our world today. It challenges and inspires us to keep an open heart and mind. It provides the community with a work of art that is visually striking and unique, and one that represents the values of our community."

~ Mayor Ruben Pineda

Matthew Hoffman is a Chicago based artist & designer whose public works have been exhibited internationally. His ideas and work have been included in Good, the New York Times Magazine, and Ready Made. He has been published in books by Gestalten, Droog, and Taschen, and was featured in a segment on the Oprah network.

Matthew has created large scale public installations for the City of Chicago, Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway Conservancy, Albright Knox Gallery, as well as companies like Apple, Facebook, Zappos, & Cards Against Humanity. There are close to 30 outdoor installations currently up in the Chicagoland area.

Matthew is the Custodian of You Are Beautiful, a project to better the world in little ways. The message has reached every corner of the globe, with over 4 million stickers shared by the community. The hope is for us to share uplifting thoughts with each other.



you are
beautiful



Photo courtesy of Matthew Hoffman

Outside of large public works, YAB is a small but mighty team that creates art and design edition objects to interact with your daily life.

In the Spring of 2018, Matthew opened the first flagship You Are Beautiful Headquarters (YAB HQ) at 3368 N Elston, Chicago IL, 60618. For more information, visit www.heyitsmatthew.com.

"The Library is pleased to have Matthew Hoffman's loveevenmore sculpture placed on Library property," said Executive Director Ben Weseloh. "This thought provoking phrase in artistic form placed in a highly visible location has the potential to make community residents reflect on what the world, and specifically West Chicago, could be if we would all love even more. The Library is excited to be a part of this project." ~ Ben Weseloh

