Public Art in Old Town North

ARTIST-DESIGNED

STORMWATER COVERS













Matt Long

Yoshiko Ratliff

Dana Ann Scheurer

Installed Fall 2023

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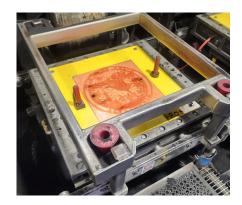
About the Project: A total of 30 artist-designed stormwater covers were installed in Old Town North with a focus on North Fairfax Street and nearby intersections. The six final designs were completed by 3 artists (Matt Long, Yoshiko Ratliff, and Dana Ann Scheurer) with each artist creating two designs. The artists were selected through an open call to artists living and working in Virginia, Maryland, and DC. The stormwater covers were installed in Fall 2023.

North Fairfax Street is planned as an Art Corridor in the Old Town North Small Area Plan, and the public art project is intended to further the arts vision for the area.

The project was funded and managed by the City of Alexandria's Public Art Program within the Office of the Arts, which is a Division of the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Activities. The project was also supported by a volunteer public art task force, which included members of the Alexandria Commission for the Arts, the Old Town North Alliance, and Transportation and Environmental Services.



















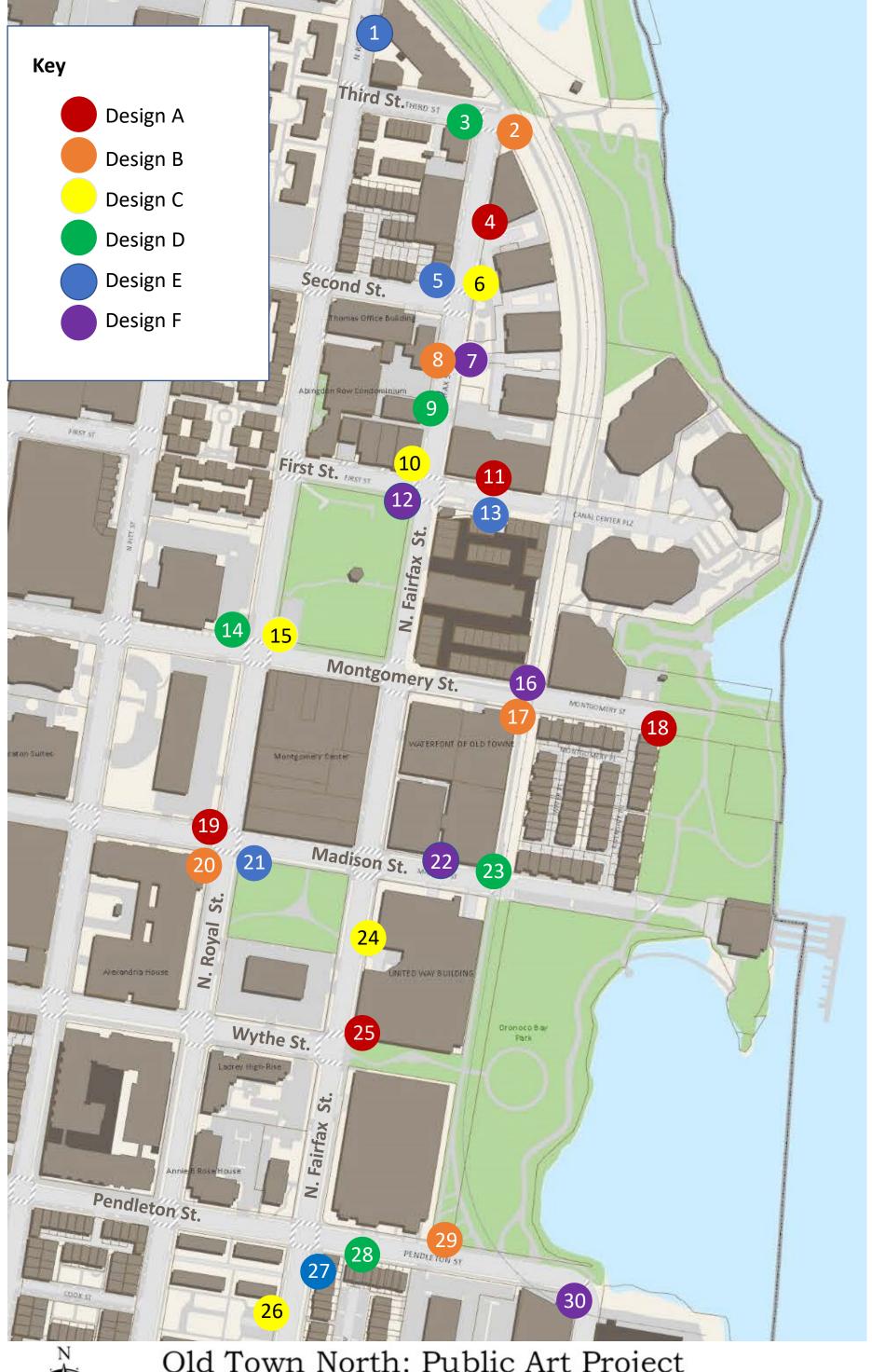
Fabrication: Custom stormwater covers were fabricated in the United States by Iron Age Design at their foundry. After the artists created their designs, 3-D patterns are made, followed by sand molds, and then the covers were cast in iron.

Community Celebration: A community celebration and reception with the artists was held on November 4, 2023, at Montgomery Park. Maps of the stormwater cover locations and stickers with the artists' designs were given away at the event.



Pictured (Left to Right): Yoshiko Ratfiff, Matt Long, Dana Ann Scheurer, Carolyn Griffin, Ryan Whitaker, Agnès Artemel, and Gayle Converse.







Old Town North: Public Art Project Artist-Designed Stormwater Cover Map

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