

Art Lifts Us Up: A Community of Kites

IMAGINE countless kites in the sky, handmade by our COMMUNITY, flying together from the ceiling of the ice rink at the Corning Civic Center Plaza as a central ART INSTALLATION to anchor our event:

imagine! *Public Art in the Plaza*

September 2 - 5 in the Corning Civic Plaza.

A public art park demonstration event to lift the spirits of our Community out of COVID times and imagine the Corning Civic Center Plaza as a future Public Arts Park!

You can be a part of the art!

On the back of this paper are instructions on how to make your own kite to be included in the installation. Your kite is artwork and does not need to be able to fly. We will display it, as though flying!

When you are done drop your kite off at one of these two locations by August 19th!:

Location 1: At the IMAGINE! stand at the Corning Farmers Market!

Location 2: The ARTS Council of the Southern Finger Lakes:
79 W Market St, Corning, NY 14830

Location 3:

Southeast Steuben County Library, Creation Station
300 Nasser Civic Center Plaza,
Corning, NY

If you have any questions, please contact meghan@earts.org

INSTRUCTIONS ON BUILDING YOUR KITE!

Your kite should be a visual representation of the hope you feel on this side of the pandemic.

You are encouraged to be as creative and colorful as you wish in your kite decoration.

Build your kite from 3 components:

Spine, cross spar, and sail. The spine and cross spar can be wood, aluminum, fiberglass or carbon fiber, any material that is light, yet strong enough to maintain the kite's shape. The sail can be any lightweight cloth on which you will paint, screenprint, or sew the design of your choice.

Structure sizes:

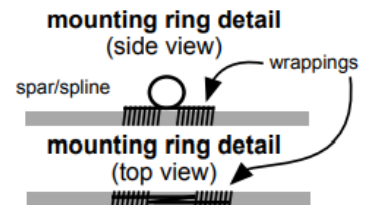
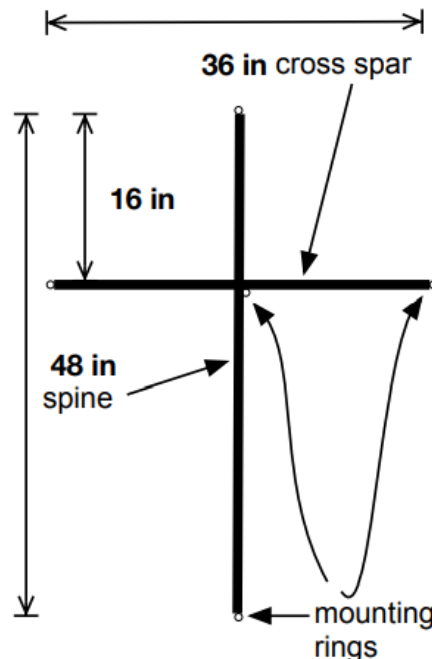
- The spine should be 48" in length
- The cross spar should be 36" in length
- The cross spar should be located 16" from the top of the spine.
- There should be a solid loop at both ends of the spine and the cross spar, and one where the spine and spar cross to fasten your kite to the display. This can be fashioned from picture hanging/tie wire, wrapped around, twisted into a loop, and wrapped around the other side to secure it tightly.

Fabric sail:

- Use any sturdy, relatively lightweight fabric material you wish, any color and/or pattern. (no paper)
- Fabric sail must be securely fastened to the spine
- Decorate the sail as you wish with paint, fabric markers, etc. DO NOT GLUE, APPLIQUE, OR BEDAZZLE THE SAIL WITH ANYTHING THAT COULD FALL OFF.

Maximum weight:

For a successful and safe display of kites, overall weight is critical. Your kite must weigh less than 3 pounds. Kites that do not meet safety specifications (must weigh less than maximum for size, no attachments that might fall off, insufficient mounting points) will not be used as part of the installation.



Note: The loop in the mounting ring should be 1/2" diameter, the feet should extend at least 2 inches for securely wrapping to spar and spine

DEADLINE TO TURN IN KITES IS AUGUST 19th!