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## Art Rhodes and VECA unveil public art piece

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The public art class at Rhodes College taught by professor Ben Butler took on a project this semester of creating and installing an original piece of art on the west end of Memphis' Vollintine and Evergreen Greenline.

Students submitted sketches and proposals to the Greenline committee, and the committee narrowed down the submissions to five and then the winning proposal.

On April 30, Rhodes and neighbors of the Vollintine Evergreen Community Association unveiled the sculpture outdoors, on the corner of North Parkway and Watkins. The event included barbecue and ice cream, as well as live music by the Magic Kids.

Students of the public art class have kept a blog about the project at [thebigkids.tumblr.com](http://thebigkids.tumblr.com). The project was supported by funds from Rhodes' Center for Outreach in the Development of the Arts.

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