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The Boardman Arts Park: Imagination Space Updates and a Holiday Gift Opportunity The Boardman Arts Park, Where Community and Creativity Meet

The First Step of the Boardman Arts Park's Imagination Park is complete...with infrastructure now underway!

The Boardman Arts Park is thrilled to announce two exciting new installations at their Imagination Space. These works mark the initial stage of the Imagination Space, and infrastructure is now underway, with water, lighting, and concrete for the planned stage and park entry being introduced over the next few months. The Boardman Arts Park is also offering a special opportunity to gift a piece of the Park this holiday season.

Buckethead is a whimsical character sculpture created by artist Steven Bush. Bush, a third generation iron worker, is the owner of smARTworks in Blacklick, Ohio, as well as an instructor at the Columbus College of Art and Design. Buckethead is a kinetic piece and children are encouraged to touch and interact with the piece when the Imagination Park is paved and open for exploration.

Visitors entering the Imagination Space at Winter Street are welcomed by an impressively massive new entrance, inspired by the Boardman Arts Park's skyward hands and stars logo, and created by steel sculptor Todd Timler of Columbus, Ohio. The steel gate is the bridge between the historic Northwest Neighborhood of Delaware and the Imagination Space.

The community is invited to be a part of the Imagination Spaces by helping the Boardman Arts Park "Pave the Way" to connect all the new art pieces. The first 100 engraved pavers purchased will be installed at our new Winter St entrance. All proceeds will be used on the grounds of the Imagination Space including the paver paths, tree planters, seating walls and additional art. Consider giving this as a gift to a loved one, in memory of someone, to advertise your company, and in celebration or support of the park. A replica brick can also be made as a gift or souvenir.

Information on purchasing pavers can be found on the home page of the Boardman Arts Park's website: <u>https://boardmanartspark.org/</u>. To follow the progress of the Imagination Space, check out the Boardman Arts Park on social media: facebook.com/boardmanartspark and Instagram.com/boardmanartspark. The Imagination Space development has been made possible in large part due to contributions from Ohio Arts Council, USA Today, Delaware Eagles, Delaware Kiwanis, Trucco Construction, Wanner Metal Worx, Hamilton Parker, Ryan's Landscaping, and our generous community.

The Boardman Arts Park is located at 154 W William St, Delaware, OH 43015 and open to the public, sunup to sundown.