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Artist Laura Kimpton’s DREAM Sculpture Launches Public Art Program in Arlington, Texas



Image courtesy of Downtown Arlington Management Corporation

ARLINGTON, TX—*DREAM*, a 54-foot long metal sculpture by artist Laura Kimpton, was recently unveiled in Arlington, Texas. Acquired by the Downtown Arlington Management Corporation, the sculpture is the first piece in the city’s new public art program. Temporarily located at 200 W. Abram Street, *DREAM* will eventually be moved to the Dream Park in downtown Arlington.

“*DREAM* is a perfect fit for our public art program,” said Downtown Arlington Management Corporation (DAMC) President Tony Rutigliano. “Originally shown at Burning Man, the sculpture captures the essence of our city’s identity - *Arlington, The American Dream City*. I’m certain that *DREAM* will enhance the visual identity of Arlington in a way that will be inspiring and enduring.”

DREAM is the seventh word in Kimpton’s Big Word Series and her first word sculpture installation in Texas. The letters are manufactured from heavy sheet-metal steel with cutouts of flying birds to create movement and make it lighter and more accessible to

transport. Each letter is 12 feet tall by 8 to 10 feet wide and weighs between 1,000 and 1,500 pounds. At night, DREAM is programmed to light up from within in various colors controlled through LED lights. They can also be lit by external, up lights, which can also alter in color, making the installation flexible for different occasions and constantly changing.

About Laura Kimpton

Kimpton is a California-based, American contemporary artist whose work consists of painting, mixed-media installations and sculpture. Her creativity stems from a desire to question traditional views on social interaction, therefore invoking through her art a reaction and discussion from her viewers that ultimately complete her projects.

Kimpton is known for her Big Words series that have been unveiled at the annual Burning Man Festival located in the Black Rock Desert of Nevada. The series includes words such as *Mom*, *Love*, *Ego*, *Oink* and *Believe*. Kimpton is always exploring new mediums in her search for invigorating means of communication.

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About The Downtown Arlington Management Corporation

The Downtown Arlington Management Corporation is a private, non-profit community development organization whose purpose is to forge alliances between property owners, business interests, residents and the City of Arlington to improve and enhance the economic vitality and overall environment of Downtown Arlington.

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