

Art Advisory BPAC Report
June 16, 2023
Submitted by Tom Sale, Art Council Advisory Chair

- A new display area for Gary Burkins wood sculpture was created in the Baker building from previous storage space.
- Red Chair Lecture in March with guest artist Gary Burkins shared his personal experience of being mentored by Charlie Boren and how it has influenced his life.
- We are pleased with the continued interest of in person and through social media with Saturday morning sketch group.
- Planning in process of offering 2-3 public art classes each First Saturday beginning in September. (Pending payment method discussions.)
- Tom Sale created 4 coloring pages related to Russell Farm that was used by Capital One Bank to enlarge and create an adult coloring station for its employees at its N. Dallas Campus. Capital One Bank is donating \$1,000 to our garage remodeling project at Russell Farm.
- We are closing in on our \$15K fundraising plan for garage remodeling project.
- We have made a good relationship with Triangle Nonprofit Publishing out of Bedford who has visited the farm several times and created a "zine" based on one of our Saturday themes. They plan on participating in outdoor events at the farm bringing a tent that can be set up as various things, including a temporary kid reading library.
- We currently have art exhibition in the Baker Building Gallery from artist Tiny Irizarry and Maria Villa (Both regular Saturday sketch group artists). August exhibition will be UNT Special Collections, are loaning Russell Farm a collection of historic Texas cattle brands and Texas Photographs that will be on display Aug through the fall.