

## Paws of Hope — Young Artists Bring Public Art to Animal Care Centers

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On July 28th, artists Ed and Bernie Massey unveiled their latest work under the Portraits of Hope banner, at the County's Agoura Animal Care Center.

The new project brings public art to seven of Los Angeles County's Animal Care Centers — highlighting LA's rich artistic tradition while also underscoring the need for permanent homes for the County's dogs, cats, and other pets.

By making the Animal Care Centers in Downey, Carson, Baldwin Park, Castaic, Palmdale, Lancaster, and Agoura Hills more visually inviting, the hope is that individuals will be encouraged to visit and rescue a pet of their own.

The Massey brothers teamed up with nearly 900 Angelenos including local foster youth and patients at the Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center to make this project a reality.

This latest endeavor is one of many spearheaded by Ed and Bernie Massey's non-profit, Portraits of Hope. Since 1995, they've fused art and concern for social issues to create public art, civic education for students, community engagement, creative therapy for hospitalized children, and teamwork.

Previous projects include transforming over 150 County lifeguard towers into colorful spaces and filling the lake in MacArthur Park with thousands of brightly-colored spheres.

To learn more about Portraits of Hope and their projects, and to get involved, **click here**.











