

Off The Court – Footwear Design, Style, and Cultural Expression at Providence Recreation Centers

Exhibition on View: October 21, 2021 – January 19, 2022

Exhibition Statement:

Providence Recreation Centers are celebrated for their fantastic sports programs. Youth of all ages, 5-18, participate in basketball, football, dodgeball, and boxing, but sports aren't the only activities taking place at the Recs. Rec youth are always exploring design, art-making, and other creative pursuits right alongside the court. This exhibition showcases work made during the summer of 2021 at seven different Rec Centers in the City. In collaboration with the staff at the Partnership for Providence Parks, RISD Museum artist/educators visited the Centers and worked with young artists to design shoes that represent their personal style. While some artists took their work home, others shared one shoe with RISD and one with the Rec Center where it was created. You might say these match pairs straddle the entire City. Our display of RISD's collection at City Hall celebrates the creativity and artistry of young people in Providence and highlights the excellence of our Rec Center staff and their collaborators.

For the opening of the exhibition, the Partnership has curated interactive stenciling by Levi G. Kase outside of City Hall.

P3 Artist Bio:

Levi Kase grew up biking and walking on the streets of Providence. As he navigated childhood, he thought about how cool it would be to turn the city's streets into a board game. "I thought it would be so much more fun to hop, skip, jump, spin, and run to and from school and afterschool activities!" Stenciled, painted sneakers leading the public from the street to the gallery show "Off The Court-Footwear Design, Style and Cultural Expression at Providence Recreation Centers" at City Hall, is but one example of Levi's continued use of imagination and creativity to invite the people of Providence to experience and participate in art.



Batastini Recreation Center

**Dominic Antonelli
Jalayah Burgos
Cayden Cameron
Cardane Cecilio
Jomani Gibbs
Terae'-Michelle Harris
Terelle Harris
Roman Joseph
Taavi Long**

**Isaiah Mckinney
Madison Rathbone
Janice Ray
Jahyrah Silva
Alexander Stenberg-
Garcia
Jake Temporal
Jaydasyn Villa
Jordan Walker**



John Rollins Recreation Center

Jose Allen
Darius Almeida
Semirah Baker
Keyled Baptista
Sierra Belle
Jazzmene Botelho
Jamal Davis
Sydney Davis
Nehemiah Jacob

Andrew Kwizera
Zariah Rodriguez
Leonardo Tavares
Justin Tuyizere
Yahir Villatora
Amahri Walker

Neutaconkanut Recreation Center

**Jayden Burgos
Jordi Burgos
William Cuadrado
Janahia Fernandez
Jhonatan Fernandez
Miguel López
Sherwyn Martinez**



Rogers Recreation Center

Brielle Anokye
Brooklyn Anokye
Keimoni Briggs
Jahvonte Carty
William Ceballos
Savannah Cooper
Tori Cooper
Maiya Holland



Davey Lopes Recreation Center

Amari Adams
Symphony Bland
Zhy'Aierah Brown
Jacelyn Dailey-
Robinson
Ka'dyn Dale
Kevin Dale
Jarilyn Delgado
Juniel Delgado

Amari Delves
Rayneil Dicent
Raynelly Dicent
Arianna Irons-Dale
Ky'Lee Johnson
Liam Lindsey
Romney Lorenzo
Amirah Parker
Mekhai Peoples

Nazir Peoples
Nevaeh Perez
Aurora Potter
Cherish Richardson
Chrishan Richardson
Khimani Richardson
Ma'khi Richardson
Yadiel Roman
Armani Russell

Zyaire Russell
Johnathan Thomas
Nylah Threats
Angelina Torres
De'rron Washington
J.T West
Justice West
Jasper Williams



West End Recreation Center

Janae Addison
 Lionel Bolay
 Prince Brown
 Isaiah Crowell
 Gia DeSilva McKinney
 Tia DeSilva McKinney
 Taralee Garcia
 Ky'Ashia Grier
 Vyncent Grier

Kyra Hadden
 Giovanna Johnson
 Za'Kyiah Judd
 Kaiden
 Ziyonna Lovett
 Charles Mitchell
 Amias Northup-Reed
 Armand Northup-Reed

Sariel Perez
 Chyna Perkins
 Kayvion Perreault
 Emelie Regalado
 Jo-Liyah Rezendes
 Rayelle Robinson
 Rodney Robinson
 Ahmari Smith
 Z'Yian Smith

NI'Yonna Stephens
 Nevaeh Stephens-LeBron
 Ton'Nisha Terry