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ReSource Hosts Sustainable Art Show

Fort Collins, CO - ReSource Fort Collins is hosting a collection of over one dozen sustainable works of art from Northern Colorado artists. The sustainable artwork has been created using 100% reclaimed materials. These creative pieces can be bid upon by silent auction throughout the month of September, proceeds benefiting the local waste recovery program. The sustainable artwork is on display at the ReSource yard at 1501 N. College Street, Fort Collins through the end of September, as well as appearing under the ReSource tent at the New Belgium Brewing Tour de Fat and Rocky Mountain Sustainable Living Fair.

"Producing art from salvaged and resourced materials is not only environmentally sensitive and sustainable, it is also educational." says ReSource Assistant Manager, Erik Hofseth, who organized the event, "Sustainable art helps people to see the value of what some would consider worthless. These works of art are visionary and can really change the way you look at the world."

The ReSource program is a building material resale facility, open to the public seven days a week. A Fort Collins mainstay providing sustainable green materials for homeowners for home improvement projects and artists with project materials, the ReSource yard has diverted over 3 million pounds of material from Larimer County landfills since 2006. The public can also donate reusable building materials to the program in exchange for a tax-deductible donation receipt.

"These art pieces were made of locally reclaimed materials by the hands of local artists. You can't build a much stronger sustainable community than that." says Spenser Villwock, Deputy Director of the Center for ReSource Conservation, a 30-year old non-profit environmental organization based in Boulder, Colorado which oversees the ReSource program.

Sustainability is what the program preaches and practices. ReSource Fort Collins offers education on construction and demolition material reuse; and promotes deconstruction as a cost-effective and environmentally viable alternative to traditional building demolition.

As a business that cares about its greenhouse gas emissions impact and ways to save money, ReSource has been a Climate Wise Program partner since 2007. Climate Wise is a city sponsored

voluntary greenhouse gas reduction program for business that promotes operational efficiency as a way to reduce environmental impacts and lower costs.

Resource fills an essential role in Fort Collins' overall recycling and waste diversion initiatives by providing a destination for reusable building materials. In addition to this art show, the program frequently hosts other community events to raise awareness of the environmentally sustainable and economic benefits of building material salvaging for projects both creative and functional.

To learn more about the ReSource Sustainable Art Show, make a tax-deduction donation or learn more about sustainable building materials available for your projects, call 970-498-9663, or visit www.resourceyard.org

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