



"Floral Tangles" was created by artist Durga Ekambaram. She was unfortunately unavailable for the photo session. The three other artists who created pieces for the Mountair Sreetscape, left to right, Vita Rice, Kaylee Rakowski and Cara Jean Hall, pose in front of "Floral Tangles" with Mayor Jeff Silvestrini.



NEWS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public Meetings

Mt Olympus

Community Council

Mon., 8/5/24, 6pm

Churchill Jr. High

3450 E Oakview Dr

Millcreek Community

Millcreek's Utility Box Art

MILLCREEK. One of the earliest requests the City Council heard from residents after incorporation was to develop a linear park along the east side of Highland Drive between 3010 and 3115 South. What was being used as a "used car parking lot," with grass and bushes that caught on fire a couple of times every summer is now a beautiful linear park—the Mountair

Council

Tues., 8/6/24, 6:30pm
Granite Credit Union
Adventure Hub
1354 E Chambers Ave

Canyon Rim Citizens Association

Wed., 8/7/24, 7pm
Granite Credit Union
Adventure Hub
1354 E Chambers Ave

Historic Preservation Commission

Thurs., 8/8/24, 5pm
City Hall, 2nd floor
1330 E Chambers Ave

Streetscape—with benches, lighting, and a pleasant walking path.

As part of the improvements, the city buried the overhead powerlines that distracted from the area. Once the power lines were buried, it was time to deal with the large, ugly, green utility boxes that are required to be installed when power lines are buried.

Thanks in part to a grant from the [Utah Division of Arts and Museums](#), those previously ugly boxes now provide visitors strolling along the walkway the enjoyment of beautiful art produced by local Millcreek artists.

Thanks are also in order to the Millcreek Arts Council, which assisted with a call for artists and then selected the art for the boxes.

The artwork of four artists now adorns four of the utility boxes. We appreciate the artistic skills of **Durgha Ekambaram**, **Cara Jean Hall**, **Vita Rice**, and **Kaylee Rakowski**. They have helped beautify Millcreek one utility box at a time. We encourage all residents and visitors to meander along the Mountain Streetscape and enjoy their beautiful art.

Floral Tangles (pictured above) was created by **Durga Ekambaram**.

Ekambaram is a multi-media artist who tells us that she loves expressing her aesthetic tendencies and ethnic background through her art. Exploring new mediums is a liberating process, and she particularly enjoys creating art with different textures using materials like clay, mirrors, and paper.



Ekambaram's art has been displayed at several venues in Salt Lake, including the Children's Museum, main street (BLOCKS), Utah Cultural Celebration Center, Rose Wagner, Millcreek Library, and South Jordan City Hall. She has also performed at the Utah Arts Festival, demonstrating a unique painting technique known as upside-down painting.



Duck Butts was created by **Cara Jean Hall**.

Hall's figurative works are highly narrative and combine realistic painting techniques with surrealistic subject matter. They explore the human experience and have covered topics such as mental health, the plight of women, and musical performance.

Her abstract nature works sample colors and compositions from nature and present them with planned composition, hard lines, basic shapes as well as happenstance, organic forms, and painterly strokes. They are typically large scale and very colorful.

Hall's work can be found at Salt Lake Community College, Park City, Daybreak, Millcreek, and The University of Utah. She spent the first 15 years of her adult life raising a family then later received her BA from the University of Houston. She resides in Millcreek where she works in public art and studio painting.

Dreamscape was created by **Vita Rice**.

Rice is a Utah based painter who creates idyllic and ethereal dreamscapes meant to entrance the viewer and instill a sense of invigoration.



Deeply philosophical and metaphysical at its roots, Rice's work utilizes intricate brushwork and vivid colorways to explore concepts around eternity, spirit, chaos theory, environmentalism, and principles of energetics.

You can find more of her work at vitarising.com



Mountain Scene was created by **Kaylee Rakowski**.

Rakowski is a "down to earth" self taught artist. She specializes in wet on wet nature oil paintings.

In Rakowski's earlier years, she was an amateur photographer, a coach, an outdoor enthusiast, and professional athlete. She also enjoys swimming, running, hiking, climbing and musical arts. Her heart always remains true to the sights and sounds of nature.

Following an injury from the trail in early 2021, Rakowski found solace in an old television show, a classic Oil Painter we all know and love. He conveyed a graceful and peaceful style of painting nature scenes which allowed imagination to run wild. This inspired Rakowski to begin painting.

While in recovery, unable to walk, and having zero knowledge about painting, Rakowski taught herself how to use oils on canvas to travel to places she was unable to see. Now, she uses a modified style and technique of some of the greatest wet on wet oil landscape and floral artists: Bob Ross, Bill Alexander, and Lowell Speers.

Presently, Rakowski is actively filming tutorials for her Youtube channel [@kaylerakowskiart](https://www.youtube.com/@kaylerakowskiart), where she shares her passion for wet on wet nature oil painting. She also paints live while selling her work at art festivals and national street fairs, completing a painting in under 3 hours.

Follow her Instagram [@kaylerakowskiart](https://www.instagram.com/kaylerakowskiart) to keep up to date on her schedule of where she will be live painting next, or displaying more than 60 original paintings for sale in her booth. She is looking forward to meeting you!

Hit and Run Suspect Caught

MILLCREEK. Thanks to excellent work by the Unified Police Department, a suspect has been arrested in connection with the hit and run pedestrian fatality that occurred this past week at approximately 3000 S on 2300 E. The UPD wants to thank the people who provided information that helped them to solve this crime.

Three Big Ideas for Millcreek on 801 Day

MILLCREEK. The 801 Day celebration took place yesterday at Millcreek's own [Second Summit Cider Company](#). Sponsored by [City Cast Salt Lake](#) and Second Summit Cider Company, free pickleball, live music, and pear rhubarb cider were enjoyed by all.

City Cast interviewed Mayor Silvestrini for their podcast. [CLICK HERE](#) to listen and hear about Three Big Ideas for the 801 looking into Millcreek's future. The mayor also reads his proclamation that declared August 1, 2024 as "801 Day in Millcreek." (A full copy of the proclamation can be found in last week's newsletter [HERE](#).)

EVENTS

TONIGHT

In Celebration of Utah Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Pacific Islander Skate Night 2024

Millcreek Common

1354 E CHAMBERS AVE

Friday, Aug 2, 2024

6pm - 10pm



Islander
Food
Trucks

Live Music &
Cultural
Performances

Roller
Skating
Free Admission
(\$5 Skate Rentals)

Visit
MillcreekCommon.org
for more info



TOMORROW

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MORE THAN ROLLING

August 3rd
3PM-7PM

BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND COME ALONG WITH US

Free tickets available now

Join the party on Discord

Millcreek Common
 1354 East Chambers Avenue
 Millcreek, UT 84106

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Get FREE Tickets Here

TUESDAY



Night Out Against Crime & Rolling Car Show

Tuesday, August 6 at Big Cottonwood Park from 5-8 PM

Night Out Against Crime is part of a national campaign that takes place annually on the first Tuesday in August. The event enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement to promote positive police-community partnerships.

Enjoy the festival at the **Big Cottonwood Park**, then see classic cars hit-the-

road at 6:30pm for a short parade throughout the neighborhood.

Do you have a car and want to join the fun? Register at
[VentureOut.org/rollingcarshow](https://ventureout.org/rollingcarshow)



1330

DESIGN
COLLECTIVE

AT MILLCREEK COMMON

AUG 1 – SEPT 2
OPEN DAILY
11:00 AM–9:00 PM

**New at the Public Market throughout August...
1330 Design Collective**

Set yourself up in style with bespoke clothing and accessories from Utah artisans. Each local designer offers one-of-a-kind collections that upcycle resources into high-fashion statements. Special workshops, giveaways, and fashion experiences every week. Check the schedule at MillcreekCommon.org.

EVERY WEDNESDAY



Millcreek Farmers Market

Join us at Millcreek Common every Wednesday from 5-8 PM through September for local produce, farm goods, artisan food, handmade crafts, and more! SNAP benefits accepted.

EVERY THURSDAY



EVERY THURSDAY

5 - 8 PM

Food Trucks to Enjoy on August 8th

Fatty Tuna Food

Wings on Wheels

Mamas Mobile Toasted Cheeser

Green Chile House
Happy Tummie



COMMUNITY CHOICE AWARDS



HAVE A FAVORITE MILLCREEK BUSINESS?

VOTE BY AUGUST 31



ARTS COUNCIL

TONIGHT



JOIN US **AND** **SUPPORT LOCAL ARTISTS**



Friday, Aug 2nd
6p-6:45p
Millcreek Library
2266 Evergreen Ave
Light refreshments served

Artwork:
Mary Phillips
Music:
Annie & Dan Eastmond
Harvest Home

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Mary Phillips



This month's artist is Mary Phillips. While she taught art in education, she was drawn to painting but didn't pursue it. When Covid drove all of us inside, she dug her canvases, acrylic paints and brushes out of the closet. She started to have lunch, catch up on family news and paint for hours with her brother Paul every Monday afternoon. To Mary, being together sharing the creative process of painting is incredible. Mary carries that over to teaching friends to paint and find their visual voices.



Harvest Home



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Harvest Home, Annie and Dan Eastmond, will provide celtic background music for the Millcreek Art Opening.

They are performance Storytellers, often weaving music into their tales. Between them they play 6 different instruments (guitar, mandolin, concertina, fiddle, banjo, pennywhistle) and sing.

HarvestHomeMusic.com



GETTING VISUAL AT THE LIBRARY INFORMATION

MONDAY

JOIN THE MILLCREEK
ARTS COUNCIL'S
SUMMER JAM
CONCERT SERIES
**ONLY TWO WEEKS
LEFT**

MONDAY, AUGUST 5TH, AT 7
PM AT CANYON RIM PARK.



A large, colorful promotional graphic for the Millcreek Summer Jam Concert Series. The top section features a shield-shaped badge with 'FREE AUG 5TH' and 'SHOW STARTS AT 7 PM'. The background is filled with illustrations of musical instruments. The text 'MILLCREEK SUMMER JAM CONCERT SERIES' is prominently displayed in the center, with 'MILLCREEK ARTS COUNCIL.ORG' below it. The bottom section features the name 'THE TRASHMOON COLLECTIVE' in large, stylized, outlined letters. To the left of this name is a circular logo with the text 'BLUEGRASS, OLD TIME, AND ROOTS'. At the bottom, there are logos for 'MILLCREEK ARTS COUNCIL', 'ZAP IS YOU SALT LAKE COUNTY', 'MILLCREEK ARTS & MUSEUMS', and 'U FIRST CREDIT UNION'. The address 'CANYON RIM PARK 3100 GRACE STREET MILLCREEK UT' is written at the very bottom.

THE TRASHMOON COLLECTIVE - check it out!

VOLUNTEER

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!



2 MUSIC STAGES
70 ART VENDORS
FOOD, COMMUNITY & FUN!

MUSIC, ART & COMMUNITY!
WE WILL FEED YOU, GIVE YOU
A T-SHIRT & INTRODUCE
YOU TO NEW FRIENDS!
THIS WILL BE FUN!



FREE TO THE PUBLIC

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

GREETING GUESTS
HANDING OUT MAPS
HELPING ARTISTS WITH BREAKS
ASSISTING PERFORMERS WITH GEAR
HELPING YOUNG ARTISTS IN THE KID ZONE
AND ASSISTING THE MUSIC DIRECTOR
(2 HOUR SHIFTS)

FIRST 30 PEOPLE TO SIGN UP GET A FREE PASS
TO SKATE OR CLIMB AT MILLCREEK COMMON!

VOLUNTEER

Questions?
Call, text or email
Heidi
801.520.2120
hello@millcreekartscouncil.org



for more info & to apply:
millcreekartscouncil.org

THANK YOU!

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION & APPLICATION



Try New Produce- Leave Your Extras

Is your garden overflowing with fruits & vegetables? Bring any extras to the library to share with others. Or come pick up some produce. A table will be set up inside the library by the checkout desk.

Saturdays | 10am-6pm | July-Sept



The County Library | Millcreek

2266 E Evergreen Ave
Millcreek, Utah 84109 | 801.943.4636
thecountylibrary.org



PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE BIG COTTONWOOD REGIONAL PARK

Includes the following
areas:

- **Creekside**
- **Hillview Basin**
- **Holladay Lions**
- **Larry H. Miller
Softball Complex**

DATE: Thursday, August 8

TIME: 5 pm–7 pm

PLACE: Holladay Lions Rec Center
1661 East Murray-Holladay Road

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West Nile Virus Detected in Multiple “Mosquito Pools” in Salt Lake County

Health officials urge residents to take precautions to avoid illness

SALT LAKE COUNTY—The Salt Lake County Health Department (SLCoHD) announced today that West Nile virus (WNV) has been detected in multiple “mosquito pools” within Salt Lake County boundaries. “Mosquito pool” is the term used for a group of mosquitoes caught and tested out of a single trap; it is not related to swimming pools or pools of water.

The mosquito pools testing positive so far this season are in western Salt Lake City and along the Draper/Riverton border, but SLCoHD and the county’s three mosquito abatement districts expect additional mosquito pools to test positive in coming days and weeks. Because mosquitoes can travel several miles, everyone in the region—regardless of their exact location—should take precautions against mosquito bites to avoid exposure to the virus.

“There will be a growing number of mosquitoes carrying the disease,” said Andrea Price, SLCoHD epidemiologist, “so it is now especially important that Utahns protect themselves from mosquito bites, particularly in the hours from dusk to dawn.”

Although only some mosquitoes carry WNV, there is no way for residents to tell

which mosquitoes may be infected so it is important to minimize all exposure opportunities during mosquito season (which will continue until the first hard freeze):

- Use an EPA-registered mosquito repellent with DEET, permethrin, picaridin, IR3535 or oil of lemon eucalyptus; follow package directions about application.
- After dusk, wear long sleeves and pants
- Drain standing water in yards (old tires, potted plant trays, pet dishes, toys, buckets, etc.).
- Keep roof gutters clear of debris.
- Clean and stock garden ponds with mosquito-eating fish or mosquito dunks.
- Ensure door and window screens are in good condition so mosquitoes cannot get inside.
- Keep weeds and tall grass cut short; adult mosquitoes look for these shady places to rest during the hot daylight hours.

WNV can cause mild to severe illness and many people may not even know they have been infected. It is estimated that less than 1% of people infected with WNV will develop the neuroinvasive form of the disease, which can result in debilitating long-term complications or death. Symptoms of WNV infection appear within 2 to 14 days of a mosquito bite and include fever, headache and body aches. More severe infections may include high fever, neck stiffness, disorientation, coma, tremors and muscle weakness or convulsions.

People over age 50 and people with weakened immune systems are at the highest risk of illness due to WNV, but anyone can become ill from the bite of an infected mosquito. WNV is not transmissible from person to person.

There is no specific treatment for WNV infection other than to treat symptoms. If you think you have WNV infection, contact your health care provider.

WNV was first detected in the U.S. in 1999 and in Utah in 2003. Last year, public health officials confirmed that eight people in the state contracted the virus; five of those resulted in the neuroinvasive form of the disease and one person died. Because only 20–30% of infected people will have any symptoms at all—and many of those will notice only minor, flu-like symptoms—it's likely that infection with WNV is more prevalent than the reported case numbers indicate.



Join the Millcreek Team!!

We have a job opening for a full time Code Compliance Inspector - see information [HERE](#).

MILLCREEK MAKES THE NEWS

MILLCREEK. A group of gymnasts, dressed in red, white and blue, gathered at the Gymnastics Training Center in Millcreek to watch the Olympic gymnasts. Check out the KSL story [HERE](#).

Even though [Log Haven Restaurant](#), located in Mill Creek Canyon, is technically outside our city boundaries, we are thrilled to congratulate them on receiving a \$50,000 grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Log Haven joins 50 other historic eateries in receiving this grant to help them "rejuvenate, innovate, and expand their businesses, ensuring their cherished legacies endure". You can view information on the award on [The National Trust for Historic Preservation](#) website.

Interesting Flashback: [Log Haven](#)'s cabin was built by coal and steel baron L.F. Rains in 1920 as an anniversary gift for his wife. He shipped the logs from Oregon and hired Swedish woodworkers to build the house. It became a restaurant and event center in the 1950s. The same family has owned it since the 1990s.



Meetings with the Mayor

Fridays from 2-4pm have been set aside for citizens to meet with Mayor Jeff Silvestrini. Call 801-214-2700 to schedule a slot.

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