



Art in Action Debuts New Art Lesson at Yarn-Bombed Community Event in Redwood City, CA

Menlo Park, CA, September 17, 2018--[Art in Action](#), a nonprofit organization that empowers students through arts education, will debut a new visual art lesson at "Yarn-Bombed Wish Trees," a community event taking place on Sunday, September 30 from 1 to 3 pm. at Courthouse Square on Hamilton and Broadway Streets in Redwood City, CA. The event commemorates Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

The new art lesson, inspired by artist Yoko Ono's Wish Trees and in partnership with [Kids & Art Foundation](#), gives children with cancer and their families the opportunity to communicate desires, emotions, and hope creatively through art. Research has shown that art has the power to help heal people who are dealing with sickness and trauma.

For the event, [Redwood City Parks, Recreation and Community Services](#) and [CityTrees Redwood City](#) have provided four maple trees on Hamilton Street. Additionally, [Kaiser Permanente](#) has provided two trees for the Kaiser campus in Redwood City. The trees will be decorated (yarn bombed) with brightly colored yarn that has been knitted, crocheted, or woven into strips and then carefully wrapped around the trunk and branches of the tree. During the event, participants will write wishes on tags and illustrate the wishes by creating a collage of images on the reverse side. The finished tags will be tied to the branches of the tree using yarn. Imagine the positive, healing power of these community wish trees, especially for those facing illness, adversity or trauma.

To donate yarn, yarnworks, or wishes, or for more information, contact Mara Grimes, mara@artinaction.org, 650-566-8339, ext. 210.

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I wish for PEACE!

I wish nobody was ever hungry

I wish there were no guns

I wish we were all friends

I wish for happiness

I wish that everyone is loved

I wish we were always safe

I wish we can all get together



Yarn Bombed Wish Trees

Sept. 30 1-3pm
Courthouse Square
Redwood City, CA

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