

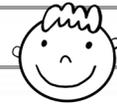
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AN EAST END ARTS STUDY GUIDE FOR KIDS AND KIDS AT HEART



Tour #1
Danforth

ABOUT LOCAL DISCOVERIES:

- ➔ **WHAT?** Three exciting public art tours through east Toronto as part of ArtworxTO. You can walk, cycle or take public transit through the tours.
- ➔ **WHEN?** Launching September 22, 2021 for the Year of Public Art!
- ➔ **WHY?** To help you get moving, get outside, and get inspired! Go enjoy the incredible variety of street art in east Toronto and find new favourites.
- ➔ **HOW?** On foot, on TTC, or on your bike and check out the new Danforth bike lanes as part of #DestinationDanforth. Bring your smartphone!
- ➔ **WHO?** You! And your family or friends!
- ➔ **Where?** Tour #1, the Danforth Love Tour, goes along Danforth Avenue between Broadview Avenue and Main Street.



THE EAST END BACK IN TIME...

Once upon a time the city of Toronto stopped at the east end. There were farms, estates, dairies, golf courses, stables and the Grand Trunk Railway. In fact, one of the reasons that East Toronto exists is because a community was built to house the railway workers. Imagine, there was no bridge across the Don River! Then in 1915 the Bloor Viaduct (an impressive bridge officially called the Prince Edward Viaduct and designed by Edmund W. Burke) was built across the Don River Valley taking four years to complete. Today we don't live on farmland anymore! Broadview Avenue and Danforth Avenue are seen as a gateway into the thriving eastern part of the city. The popular Bloor Viaduct is 26 metres wide and 494 meters long and carries five lanes of busy traffic on the top deck plus two-way subway train traffic on the lower deck.



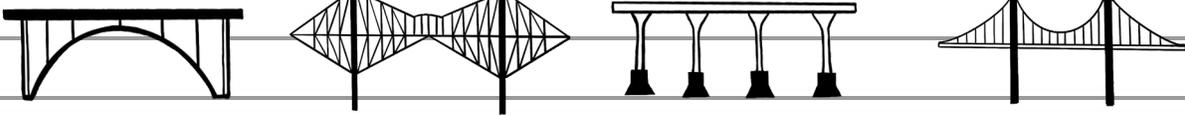
The Bloor Viaduct being built in 1918 (from Toronto Archives).

Draw an imaginary bridge! What does it connect?

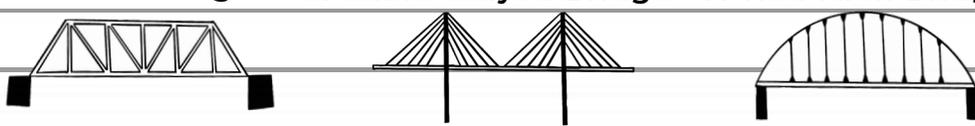


 **FUN FACT:** There are 7 different types of Bridges!

1. Arch Bridge 2. Cantilever Bridge 3. Beam Bridge 4. Suspension Bridge



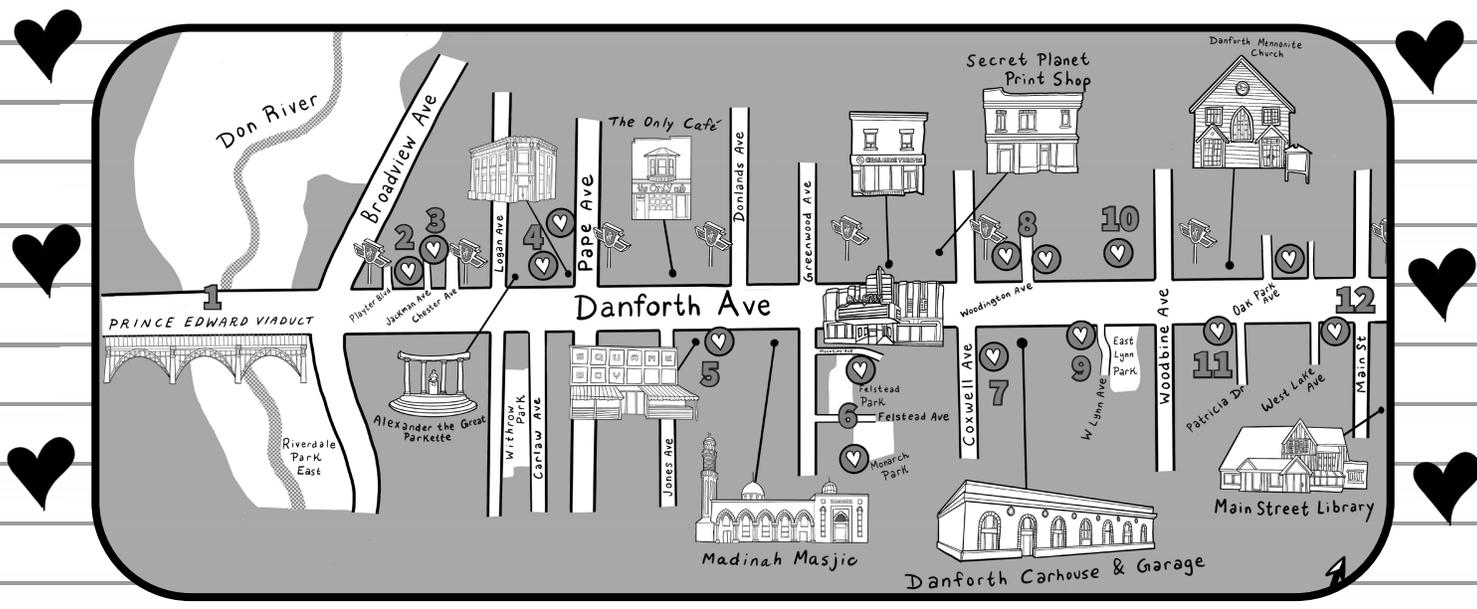
5. Truss Bridge 6. Cable-Stayed Bridge 7. Tied-Arch Bridge



Do you know what kind of bridge the The Bloor Viaduct on page 1 is? (Answer on page 7)

LOCAL DISCOVERIES TOUR #1: DANFORTH LOVE

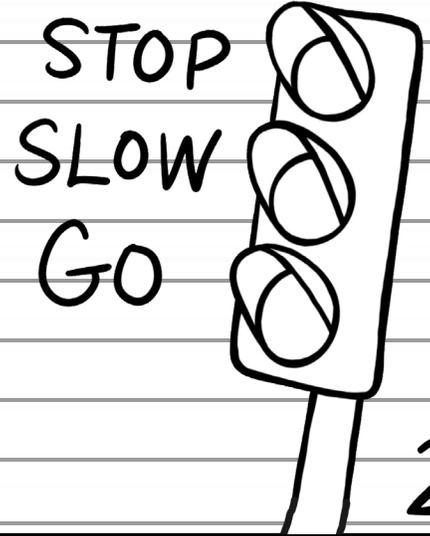
East End Arts is thrilled to present a series of walking and bike tours celebrating the vibrant street art in the neighbourhoods we love! Tour #1, Danforth Love, starts at Broadview and Danforth Avenue and travels east!



STREET SAFETY TIPS!

Before you head out on your tour, here are some good tips to keep in mind:

1. Stop at the curb or edge of the road before crossing, and never run into the street
2. Look and listen for traffic to the left, then to the right and then to the left again
3. Cross at the street corner at a light or at a cross walk (wait for cars to fully stop before you walk! Try to make eye contact with the driver)
4. Always watch out for bikes travelling in bike lanes
5. Never go between parked cars to cross the street





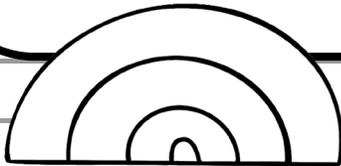
THE PUBLIC ART TO FIND:

This is like a scavenger hunt! Find the selected works on pages 3-6 of this workbook as you're exploring Tour #1!

FIND:
Neighbourhood Love,
by Monica Wickeler
2020

This mural is about motion and sending LOVE to local stores and storekeepers. Meet your friends and come back out into the community! Can you identify your home or your favourite places on the map?

What is your favorite street? Map it out here. Include everything - the shops, houses, street signs, trees:



STAY STRONG

FUN FACT: The chalk drawing STAY STRONG is based on a sidewalk drawing by a kid! Find the Stay Strong tattoo on a person in this mural!

Did you find this public art?

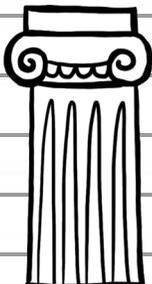
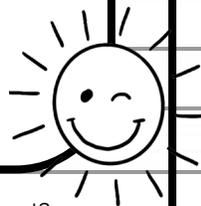
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FIND:
Colours of the Danforth,
by PoserABM
2020

This piece celebrates all the light and energy of the Danforth. Which buildings do you recognize from the neighbourhood shown in this mural? Night time magic! What colour is the light coming out of the buildings? What does it make you think of? A speedy road? A beam of light? People rushing in or out?

Fill this section with night colours:

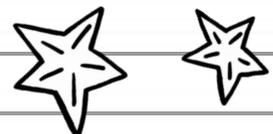
Fill this section with day colours:



FUN FACT: The columns in front of the historic Church of the Holy Name (beside Poser's mural) are a **hybrid** or composite of Ionic and Corinthian styles of columns (see ArtSkool Issue #1 to learn more!) and it was designed by architect Arthur W. Holmes to **resemble** the Basilica di Santa Maria Maggiore in Rome, Italy.

Did you find this public art?

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"Now I will do nothing but listen. I hear all sounds running together, combined, fused, or following, sounds of the city, and sounds out of the city - sounds of the day and night..." - Walt Whitman, poet.

FIND:
Giants of the Danforth,
by Elicser Elliott, with Spyone,
Flips, Maysr & Sight
2020

Elicser hangs out in the neighbourhood of his murals, watching the people who call the place home and **elevating** their small moments into larger than life, colourful celebrations of life. This work reflects diversity and our close connection to where we live.

This box is your home. Add windows and faces. Make them all different. What connects the people in the windows? Is it LOVE?



Did you find this public art?

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FIND - BONUS MURAL!
"2020-1955",
by Elicser Elliott, Spyone, Sight & Nick
Sweetman,
2020

The colours of the street are contrasted with the black and white and gray realities that are too often the case in our world on this mural at the back of 975 Danforth. This work challenges us to remember that "the enemy of justice is ignorance allied with power".



"Open minds operate best, Critical thinking over tests, Wisdom can't be memorized, Educate! Agitate! Organize!"
- A is for Activism!
Innosanto Nagara

Did you find this public art?

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FIND:
Coxwell Mosaic Mural:
Pods through Time,
by Cristina Delago,
2016

The Coxwell Laneway Mosaic Mural is a community art project. It was created with the help of youth and **emerging** artists and community volunteers. The mural aims to celebrate the life and spirit of the **collective** community.

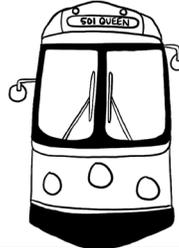
Can you find a bee in this mural?



Can you find books in this mural?



Can you find the TTC in this mural?



Can you find love in this mural?



Did you find this public art?

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SAFETY TIP! Be mindful that some of these mosaics are situated at the rear of a parking lot, consider observing from the sidewalk!

FIND:
Butterfly Laneway,
by Nick Sweetman + Others
2019

This is a collection of murals that celebrate butterflies and pollinators. Nick Sweetman organized this event, and it was funded by the David Suzuki Foundation in honour of National Pollinator Week.

When you find the laneway, can you see a painted garage with the words **METAMORPHOSIS?** And a wall with the words **WHO ARE YOU?**

Think about changes in nature and changes in neighbourhoods. Have you ever moved your home? Have you experienced any **BIG** changes in your life?

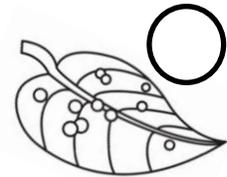
Tip: How to strengthen your **Resilience!**

1. **Tune in to how you feel**
2. **Take your time and pay attention**
3. **Look after yourself**
4. **Be a good friend by listening and being kind**
5. **Set goals**

A great example of metamorphosis is a caterpillar transforming into a butterfly. Can you put the life cycle of a butterfly in order? Write numbers 1-4 in the circles to determine the correct order.



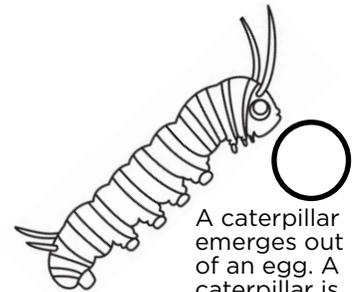
A beautiful adult butterfly emerges and is ready!



A female butterfly lays an egg on leaves or plant stems.



Once it has eaten enough and is fully grown, the caterpillar becomes a pupa, which is also called a chrysalis.



A caterpillar emerges out of an egg. A caterpillar is the larva of a butterfly.

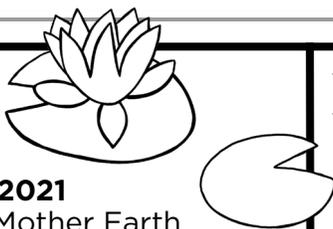
METAMORPHOSIS

Did you find this public art?

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FIND:
Mother,
by Kizmet
Coming Oct 2021

A picture of Mother Earth. Pachamama is the goddess of earth and time, planting and harvesting. A symbol of gratitude, resilience, hope. Birth is represented by water, Life is represented by lily pads and lotus flowers and the Heavens are represented by the stars.



You are truly a gift to your family! Draw a picture of you as a BABY below:



Check out this awesome reading selection from the Toronto Public Library: "Reading with Pride - LGBTQS2 Families" at <https://kids.tpl.ca/readingwithpride>

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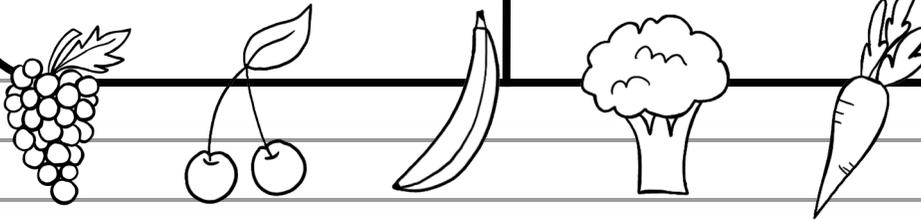
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**FIND:
Wings,
by Monica Wickeler
2020**

This colourful wall celebrates with joyful wings the **plethora** of fruits and vegetables at the shop inside the walls!

Pick your favourite fruits and vegetables, then draw them and give them wings!



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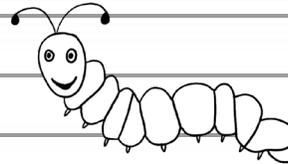
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**FIND:
Nookfest Laneway
Transformation,
by an assortment of artists
2018**

This laneway was filled with murals as part of the 2018 Nookfest. We can see some of our favourite east end mural artists. This is a great example of how public art can **transform** laneways, bringing brightness and colour to forgotten urban spaces.

Did you find a mural with monsters? Now draw your own monster here!

BONUS! Can you find a woman with a caterpillar scarf in Graffiti Alley East?



Did you find this public art?

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**FIND:
Find the Love,
by Bareket Kezwer
2018**

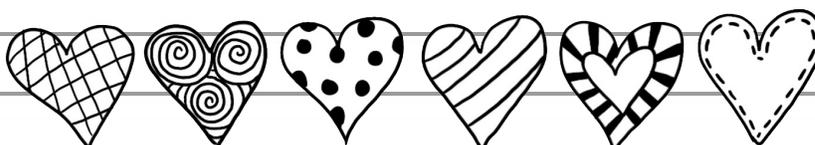


“With this mural I wanted to celebrate and amplify the pride residents have in the neighbourhood. The vibrant colours and positive message are intended to uplift people and add joy to their day,” - Bareket Kezwer.

Match the word LOVE in different languages! Draw a line from the language to the word. (Answers on page 7!)

Anishinaabemowin (Ojibwe)
Spanish
English
French
Arabic
Chinese
Romanian
Thai
Bengali
Greek

AMOR
RAK
VALOBASHA
DRAGOSTE
AGÁPI
HABB
AMOUR
ZAAGI'DIWEN
LOVE
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Did you find this public art?

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HOMework



More to Read at the Toronto Public Library!

1. Bridges! : with 25 great projects for kids by Jennifer Swanson
2. How do animals help plants reproduce? by Ruth Owen
3. The caterpillar and the polliwog by Kent, Jack
4. Search 'Black Lives' in Stories for Children section
5. Map my Community by Harriett Brundle

ANSWER KEY:

Question on page 2:
What kind of bridge is The Bloor Viaduct?
Answer: It's a Deck Arch Bridge!

Question on page 5:
Butterfly Metamorphosis
Answers:
1. Butterfly lays egg; 2. Caterpillar emerges; 3. Becomes a pupa; 4. Butterfly emerges

Question on page 6:
Match the word LOVE.
Answers:
Anishinaabemowin (Ojibwe): ZAAGI'DIWEN
Spanish: AMOR
English: LOVE
French: AMOUR
Arabic: HABB
Chinese: AI
Romanian: DRAGOSTE
Thai: RAK
Bengali: VALOBASHA
Greek: AGÁPI

WORDS, WORDS, WORDS!



- Hybrid:** A thing made by combining two different elements; a mixture
- Resemble:** To look like
- Elevating:** Lifting up and making something important
- Emerging:** Growing or starting out
- Collective:** A number of persons or things considered as one group or whole
- Resilience:** Being able to bounce back after a difficulty
- Plethora:** A large amount of something
- Transform:** To change completely!

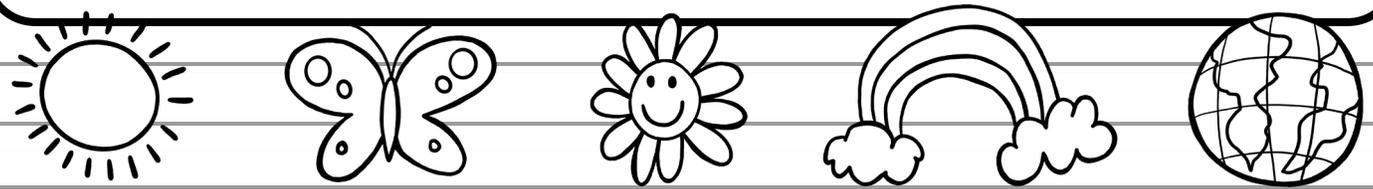


★ THE ART OF BEING ★

The world will be in your hands one day. Look for two hopes in each volume of Artskool!
Let's find some...

Love
Sharing your life with others makes your life infinitely richer. Family and friends are some of the most important gifts we receive in life. Honoring those relationships strengthens your bonds, and helps everybody feel more connected.

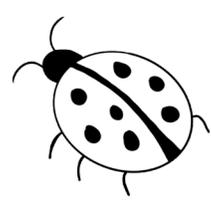
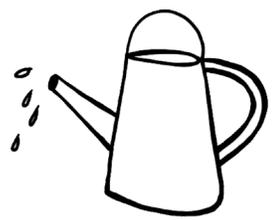
Respect
Even the most humble of creatures deserves basic respect. Be a steward of the earth. Get out into nature and explore, because you never know what might be beneath that next rock.



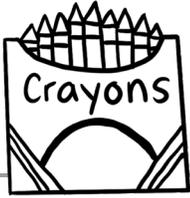


I SPY WITH MY LITTLE EYE...

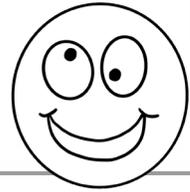
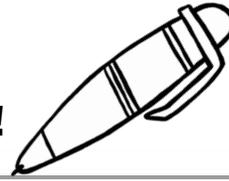
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| Step Out | Insects | Displacement | Relocation |
| Habitat | Garden | Energy | Light |



NOTES & DOODLES!



A large, empty rectangular area with rounded corners, intended for students to write notes or draw doodles. The area is framed by a thick black border.

