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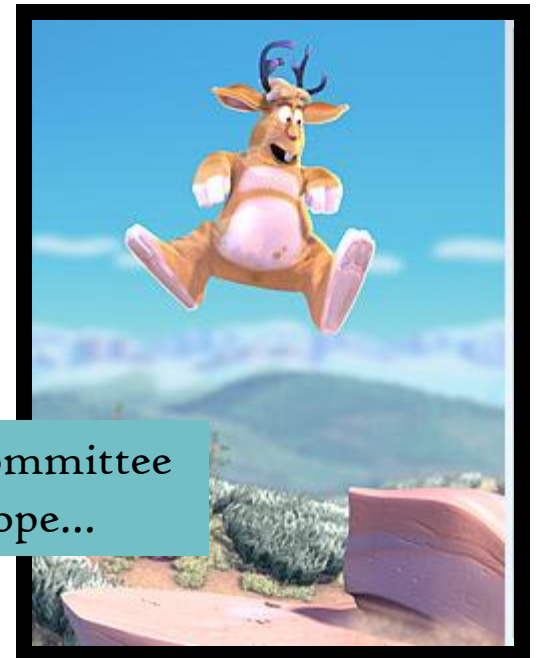
*Promoting Assets With Sculpture*

How we got started...

Our committee began in 2002 as an effort to do assets building in our community. For several years we had very successful trainings, workshops, and writing contests in the schools. Then in the fall of 2006, the Assets Committee of the Coconino Coalition for Children and Youth were meeting in a brainstorming session to find fresh ideas for bringing the assets to our community in a bigger way. One crazy committee member was very impressed with other public art events such as the famous Cows on Parade or Javelinas on Parade in Sedona, AZ. The idea was born to have 40 sculptures decorated by children or youth along with local artists, each representing one of the 40 Developmental Assets...



the original idea of the committee was the fabled Jackalope...







After a survey of over 500 children and youth in Flagstaff, the two finalists were the elk and the mountain lion. The mountain lion won for practicality reasons because it would be easier to reproduce in the casting process.

We also believed it was appropriate because of the message it shared with the Developmental Assets.

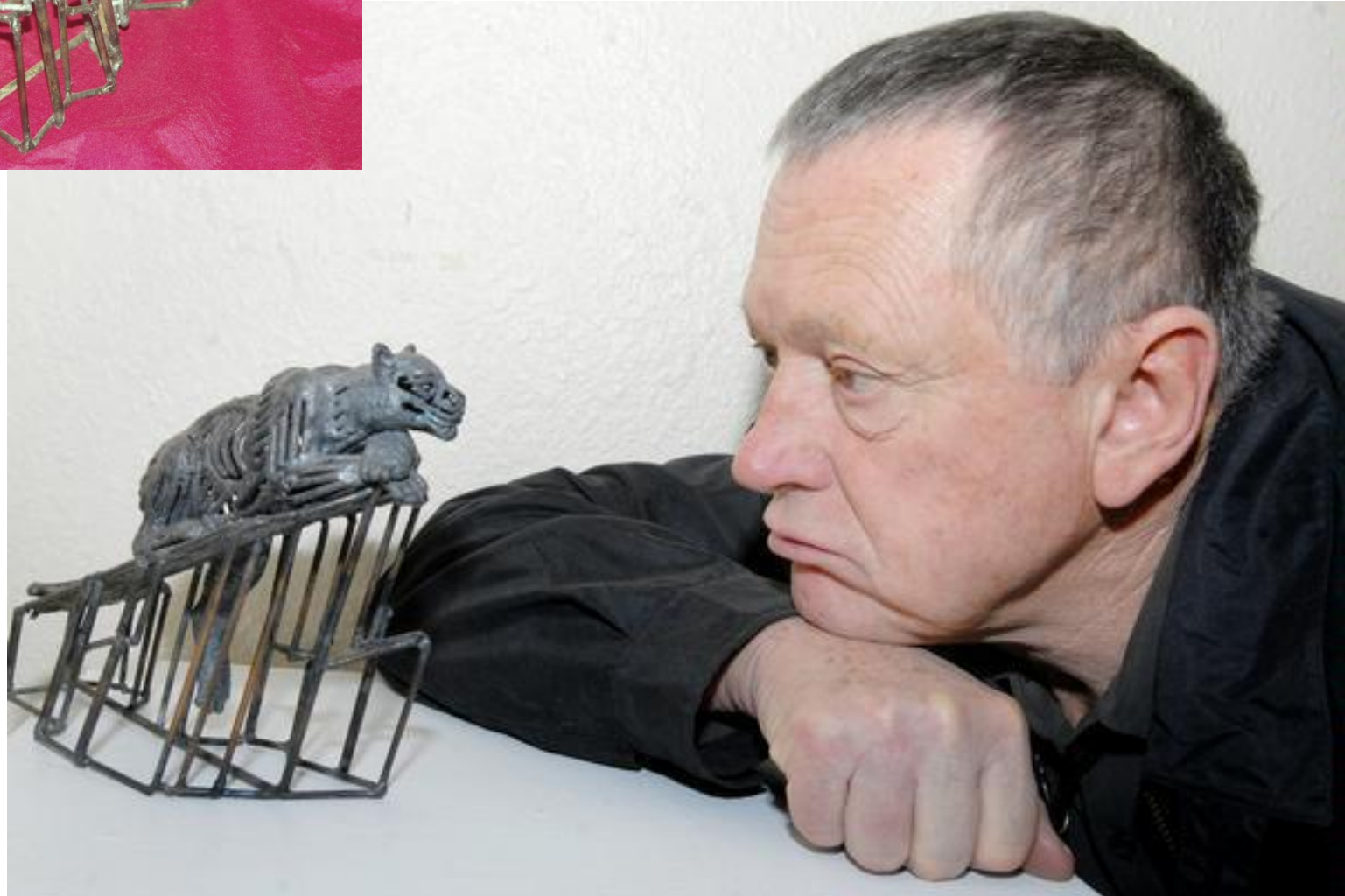




A local Flagstaff sculptor, Dion Wright, was chosen to be our original artist. He produced this beautiful maquette that journeyed with us to many events and funding “asks” while he invested himself fully in what he refers to as the single most important piece of his career...

[www.dionwright.com](http://www.dionwright.com)

to see other works!



Some of our committee members celebrating the progress...





Dion with his pride and joy...





The kids are ready to go already!





What an incredibly fitting name!!!



Here he is... completed... and on his way to the foundry to make the mold that will produce 40 more lions!





This lion really loves kids! Here you can see him at the fair and an open house... the kids love painting on him!

Artist Robin Reece took on the Community Values Youth lion on behalf of the CCCY.





# Asset #7 Community Values Youth

Sponsor: Coconino Coalition for Children and Youth

Artist: Robin Reece

Youth: kids at fair, Keely Hartman and Chela Scurlock

**Question: How do our communities encourage youth participation in safe and meaningful activities?**

Location: Parking lot between City Hall and Wheeler Park



Can we go see the “kitty-cats” mom?!







**Asset #34 Cultural Competence**

Sponsor: Coconino County Juvenile Court Advisory Board  
Youth Group: Step Up Mentoring Boys Group  
Question: How do you honor the differences and the similarities between people in your community and the world?  
Location: Coconino County Juvenile Court





# Asset #39 Sense of Purpose

Sponsor: Flagstaff Community Partnership

Artist: David Grandon

Youth Group: Hozhoni Foundation



*Question: Every bird sings its own song and has a beak specifically designed for what it eats. What “song” do you sing, and what’s your particular purpose?*

Location: Flagstaff Public Library Children’s Area





# Asset #37 Personal Power

Sponsor: City of Flagstaff Beautification and Public Arts Commission

Artist: Dana Lewis

Youth Group: 2009 Youth Advisory Council

**Question: Who and what empowers you to create personal control over your own life?**

Location: City of Flagstaff Aquaplex





# Asset #10 Safety

Question: What helps you feel safe in your community?



Sponsor: NAIPTA  
Artist: Gay Spivey  
Youth Group: FALA art students  
Location: NAIPTA office





## Asset #1 Family Support

**Question:** How do the important people in your life, such as your family, give you love and acceptance?

**Sponsor:** Milton Texaco

**Artist:** Jan Sullivan

**Youth Group:** Bednar boys and friends

**Location:** Bookman's







## Asset #38 Self-Esteem

Sponsor: Association for Supportive Childcare

Artist: Linda Kranz

Youth group: Various Flagstaff children and youth

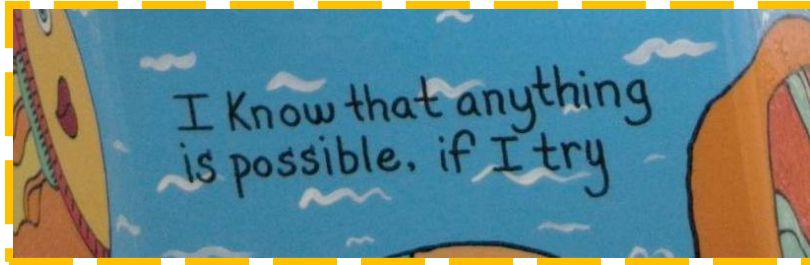
**Question: What are your unique talents and how will you share them with the world?**

Location: Flagstaff YMCA





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