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Catch grate exhibit 'Water Reflections' at Toho Water Authority Around Osceola

Wednesday, 18 May 2011 00:00

Lisa D'Cato
Poinciana Writer

When was the last time you saw "grate" art? If your answer is never, here's an opportunity. "Water Reflections" is the name of the exhibit currently on display until the end of May at Toho Water Authority, 851 Martin Luther King Blvd., Kissimmee. The exhibit features the work of Poinciana resident Bobbi Mastrangelo, often referred to as "The Grate Artist." Mastrangelo uses grates, grids and manhole covers as the foundation of her clever artwork. Her intricate designs focus on themes such as anti-litter and conservation. In an almost-Andy Warhol way, Mastrangelo makes these utilitarian manhole covers appear pop-art-like, but with a subtle message of environmentalism.

Mastrangelo moved to Solivita in 2004 from Long Island, N.Y. She was an elementary school teacher who chose to take a break from teaching and dedicated herself to the role of stay-at-home mom. Then the teacher became the student.

Mastrangelo returned to school, taking art courses at SUNY-Stony Brook and Suffolk Community College, both in New York. It was during that period she discovered her niche—working her art around circular design then eventually to authentic manhole covers. Mastrangelo is recognized in Who's Who in American Art and has had her work displayed at Baltimore Public Works and the New York Hall of Science.

The grate artist demonstrates creativity and vision through her work. Stop by Toho Water Authority and be inspired.

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The Osceola County Health Department and the Primary Care Medical Services of Poinciana have announced a ribbon-cutting ceremony for its new modular facility Monday at 10 a.m.

This new facility will be larger and more modern. The modular will be temporary, with a real "brick and mortar" structure coming by 2013.

Primary Care Medical Services of Poinciana is at 105 N. Doverplum Ave. (next to the Poinciana Branch Library).

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At this past Wednesday's Poinciana Area Council lunch, attendees were treated to a special fare. Held at Poinciana High School, the lunch was prepared by the school's culinary students. In addition to fine food, the council announced and read the winning three \$1,000 scholarship essays.

The Poinciana Area Council was given a sample of New Dimensions High School Musical Department's upcoming show. The musical "Grease" will be presented Thursday, May 26, and Friday, May 27, at 7 p.m. both days. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students.

If that small preview was invigorating, the entire show must be special.

New Dimensions High School is at 4900 Old Pleasant Hill Road.

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