

Wood Buffalo Public Art Plan

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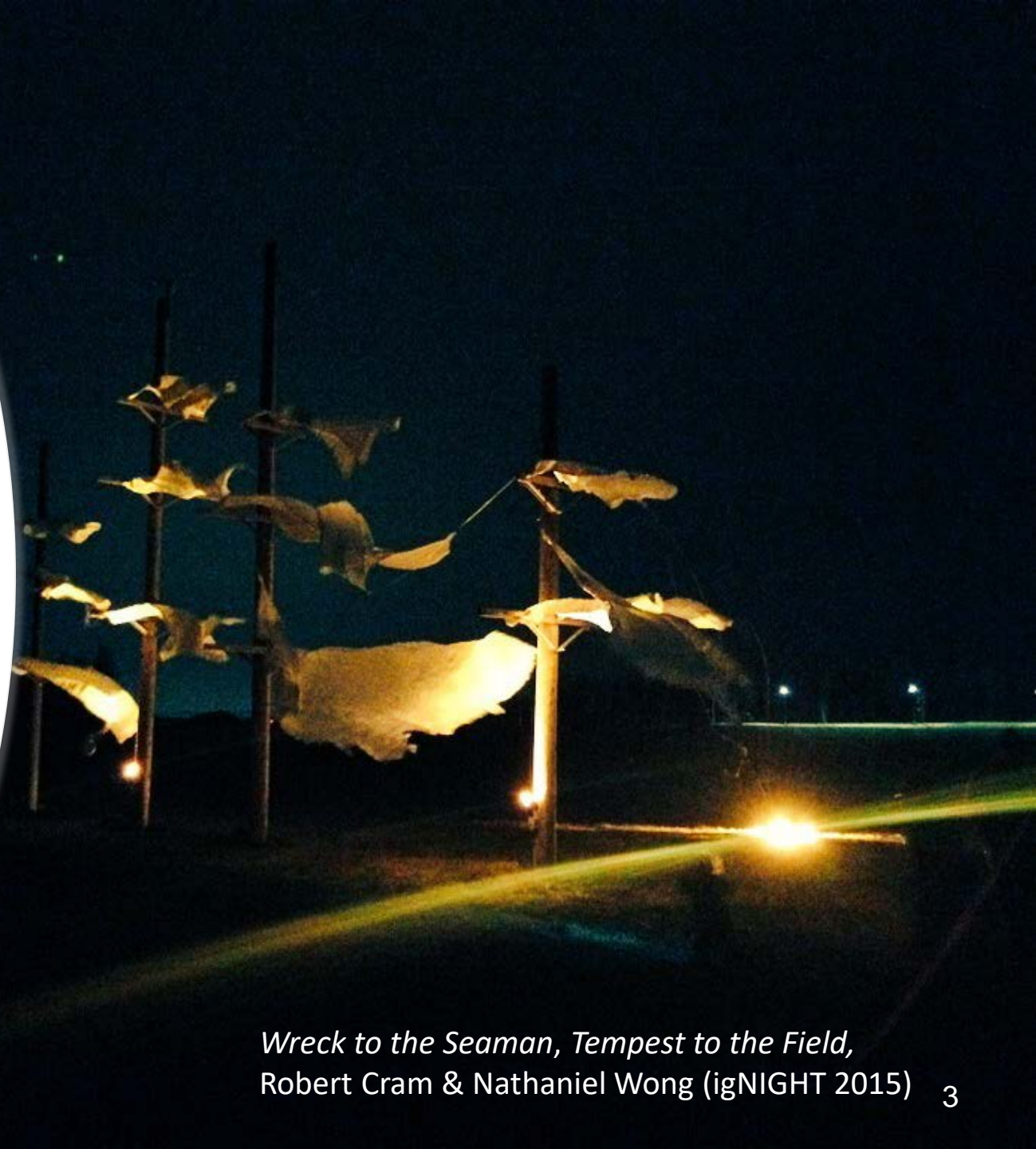
PURPOSE & ALIGNMENT

- The Public Art Plan defines a vision for public art in Wood Buffalo and outlines a series of strategies and actions to guide decision-making for Public art in the Wood Buffalo region over the next 10 years.
- The 2018-2021 RMWB Strategic Plan identifies the support for arts and culture as Strategy & Initiatives #3f.

*Reflections on the River, David Robinson
(Wood Buffalo Public Art Collection)*

METHODOLOGY

- Public Art Committee
- Interdepartmental Public Art Working Group
- 18 Voices Indigenous Engagement
- Comparative Research
- Engagement



Wreck to the Seaman, Tempest to the Field,
Robert Cram & Nathaniel Wong (igNIGHT 2015)

VISION & MANDATE

- Public art will broaden our region's cultural identity and share truth and story
- To strengthen community identity and sense of place through the creation and development of public art in the region



KEY NARRATIVES

- Indigenous Peoples, History, and Culture
- Natural Landscape and the Environment
- Diversity



The Pool
Jen Lewin (igNIGHT 2015)

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

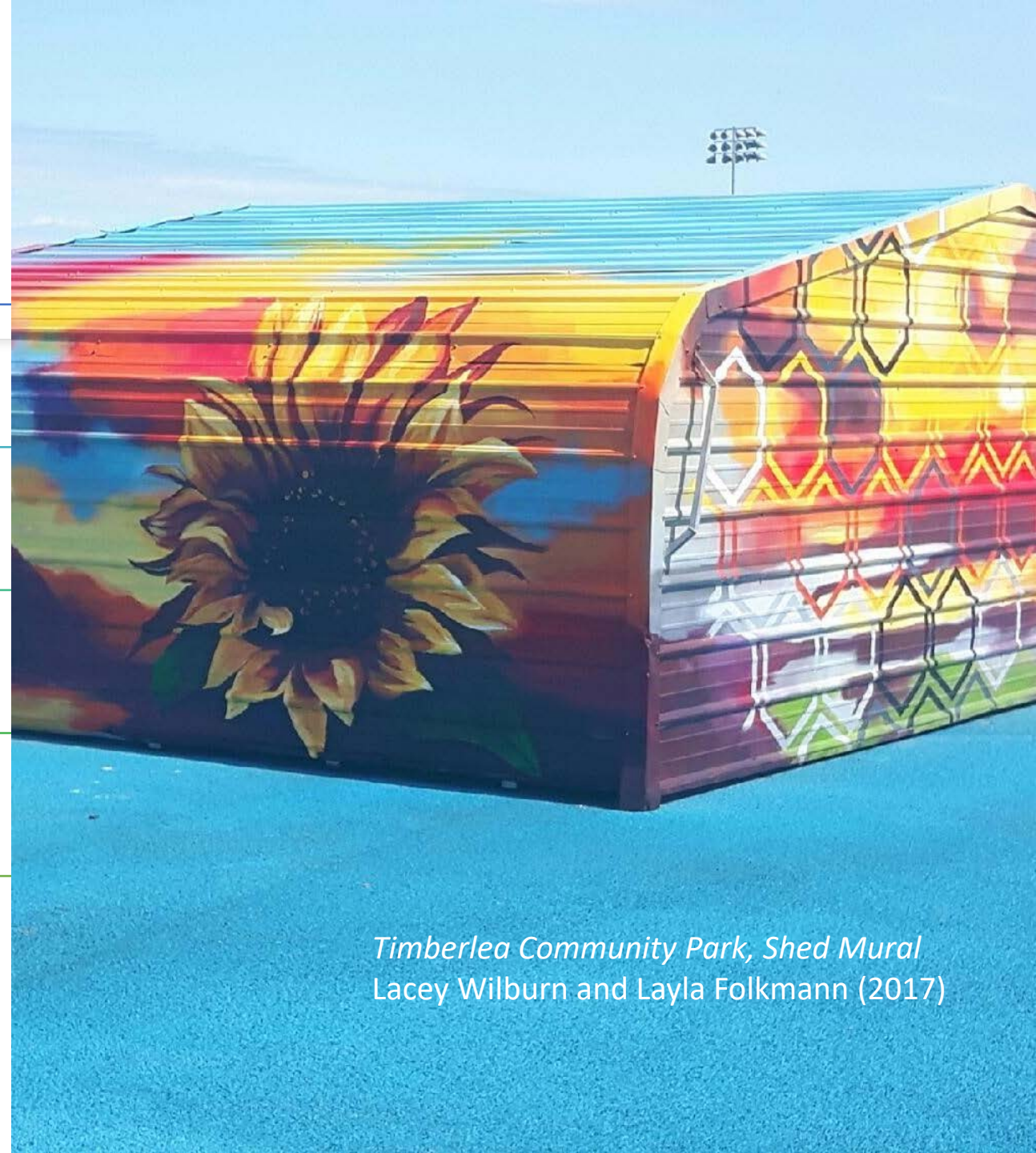
Robust Public Art Ecosystem

Sustainable Structures and Supports

Connected Community

Visible Indigenous Presence

Vibrant Public Realm



*Timberlea Community Park, Shed Mural
Lacey Wilburn and Layla Folkmann (2017)*



IMPLEMENTATION

Council

- Review and approve annual Work Plan
- Approve draw down of Public Art Reserve

Administration

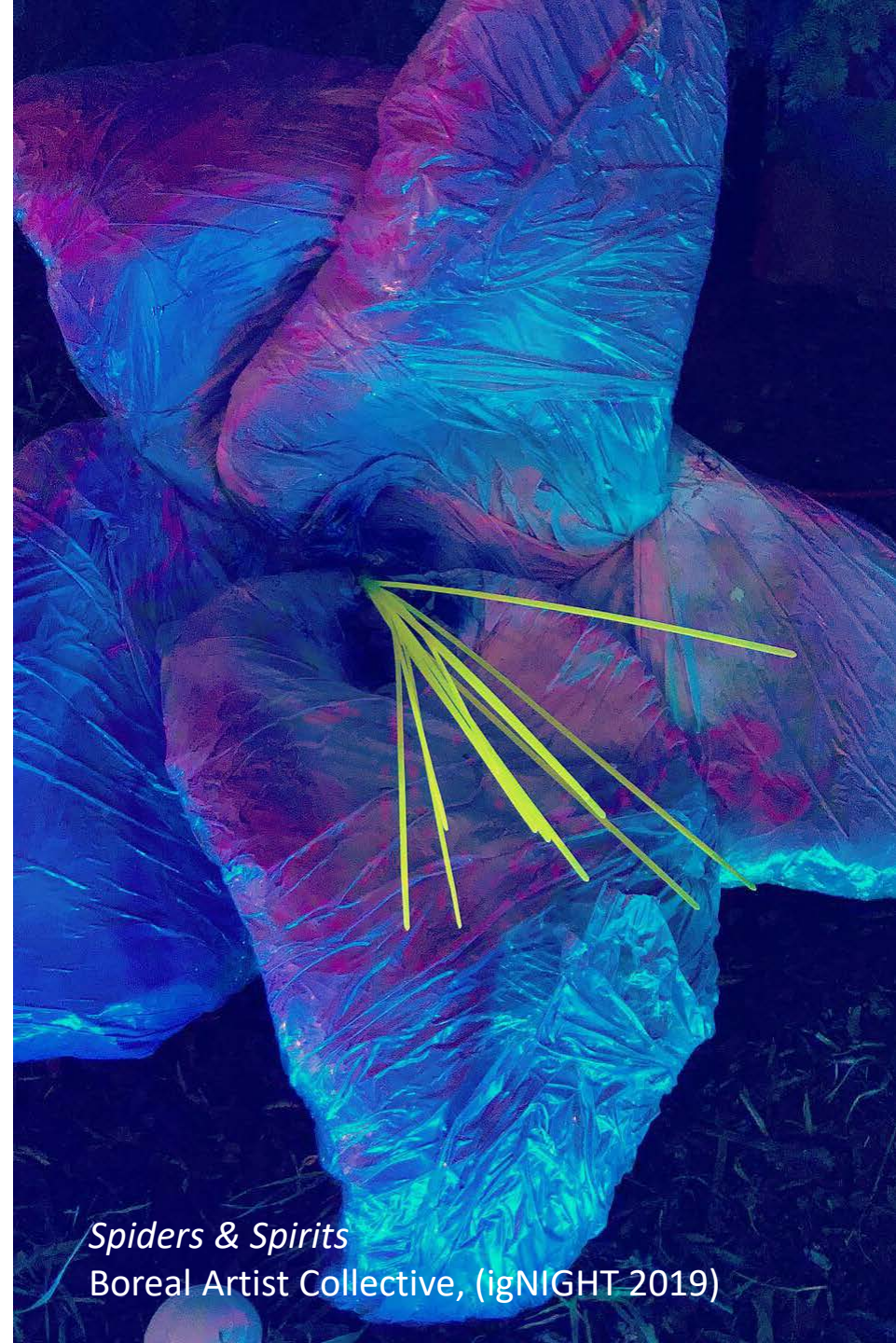
- Develop annual Work Plan
- Implement the Wood Buffalo Public Art Program

Public Art Committee

- Advise Council and Administration on annual Work Plan and Wood Buffalo Public Art Program

SUMMARY

- Support and enhance public art in the region
- Focused priorities for responsible use of Public Art Reserve
- Support vibrant public art program, recognize cultural identity of the region, and share truth and story to strengthen community identity and sense of place



Spiders & Spirits
Boreal Artist Collective, (igNIGHT 2019)



**THANK YOU –
QUESTIONS?**
