



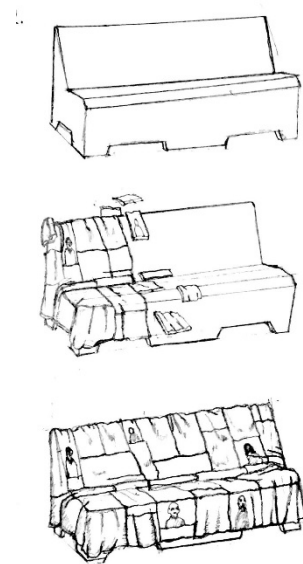
## Highland Hills Public Art Project

### Narrative Description

Artwork for the Highland Hills Recreation Center is “The Welcome Space,” is an installation that mimics an interior room. The artwork is composed of two sculptural benches approximately six feet long and will be placed near the recreation center entry. The benches are clad in hand-sculpted tile that looks to be draped and folded, reminiscent of a sofa covered by a quilt. The sitting area is one that recalls the African American artistic legacy of quilting and hand-made craft. Its bright, jubilant color reflects the celebratory palette in many traditional African cultures. In part it is a reminder of the African American heritage that is prevalent in the Highland Hills community. On the other hand the cultural quilts are acknowledging the quilted past of the community, with its changing demographics over the years. The patches of the quilts also feature portraits of people of different ages and genders, and will be relatable to everyone while not naming anyone specifically. The installation is a way of being seated among the excellent patchwork of community members who have graced the neighborhood over the years.



design sketch of artwork on site



sketches showing construction method



Examples of Huckaby's portrait style

## Location

The artwork will be located near the entry of the Highland Hills Community Center, 1600 Glasgow Road.

