

The WonderBox Gallery

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Welcome to the WonderBox. In 2015, ECU fine art graduate students created this space as part of a creative placemaking plan for Farmville, which complimented their more traditional mural painting projects seen throughout the village.

Creative placemaking energizes a public space like a street lined with flowers, or a sidewalk built for bricks of poetry, harnessing the arts to inspire us.

The box is an enlarged glass octagon, a former display case built for the Belk department stores. Part of the plan was to surprise the average citizen on their evening stroll down Main Street. Be sure to read the didactic in the window, looking for the “why” and the reason behind this.

Artists young and old are invited to create installations or performance art in the box. These pieces sometimes challenge the status quo. We believe in the importance of inquiry and curiosity in the hope that as you gaze, you will also wonder. Visit the WonderBox Gallery Farmville Facebook page for more history, images and answers.