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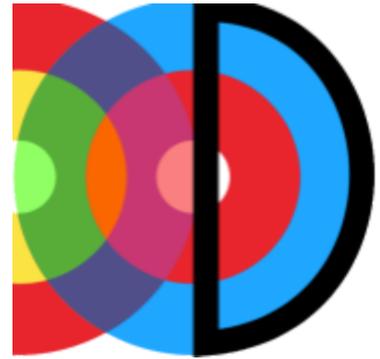
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### **Dinosaur Sighted In Doraville Park**

*Public Art Installation Finds Home in DeKalb County City*

**Doraville, GA, April 12** — Doraville’s English Oak Park has a new resident to join its squirrels and birds: a massive *Tyrannosaurus Rex* dinosaur. But don’t worry, this new park denizen doesn’t bite. It’s a statue!

Local arts non-profit organization Doraville Art Inc. (DArt) facilitated the acquisition and installation of this new public artwork, paid for by donations from local residents.

DArt President and Doraville resident Sarah Marks says, “Doraville Art is so pleased and excited to contribute the first piece of public art installed within Doraville city limits. This will be the first of many projects to reflect our community’s unique makeup and energy.”

The T. Rex, who will be named through a public poll (at [bit.ly/DoravilleDino](http://bit.ly/DoravilleDino)), is nine-foot-tall, and made of steel. Local artist Shawn Vincelette painted the dinosaur with a colorful, geometric design.

The official dedication and naming of the Doraville dino will take place on June 4 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. during a barbecue at the park celebrating Doraville’s 150th anniversary. English Oak Park is at 4074 English Oak Dr., Doraville, GA 30340.

Doraville Mayor Joseph Geierman says, “Art doesn't just make cities more beautiful—it also sparks new ideas and builds community. I'm excited about this new installation not just because it is fun and whimsical—I'm also excited because I know it's just the beginning of the artistic renaissance that's coming to Doraville.”

Marks adds, “We are eternally grateful for the new language voted on by our city council that allowed this to happen, and to our donors who supported this project. We look forward to working closely with both council members and the community in the future to make our city as colorful as its soul has always been.”

#### **About DArt:**

*Doraville Art Inc. (DArt) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to create and encourage art in the city of Doraville, GA to the benefit of the community through advocacy, education, and opportunity. DArt consists of artists, friends, and supporters of art who believe that art is a fundamental key to building community in Doraville, and want to make art happen in the city.*

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