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“CROSSINGS” REDEDICATION SET FOR SATURDAY

Celebrate Missoula’s refurbished red X’s art at 11 a.m.

The City of Missoula invites all Missoula residents and visitors to join Mayor John Engen and the Missoula Public Art Committee for a rededication of Missoula’s iconic “Crossings” sculpture (known as “the X’s”) on Saturday, Aug. 27, at 11 a.m. at the sculpture at Circle Square at the north end of Higgins Avenue.

The event will honor the five businesses that generously donated more than \$30,000 of work to refurbish the sculpture during the past winter. The sculpture, which references Missoula’s railroad history by recalling the tall trestles built to cross mountain ravines, has been in place since area artist Taag Peterson created it in 1987. The businesses are:

Lyndon Clark, Clark Industrial ~ Sandblasted and powder-coated the sculpture

Don Hinricher, ABC Rentals ~ Worked with Clark lifting the X’s from ground to truck and truck to ground

Dan Nash, Nash Enterprises ~ Sand blasted and coated all concrete aspects of sculpture

Deneve and Kahl Concrete ~ Stabilized concrete

Jim Caras, Caras Nursery ~ Renewed landscaping around sculpture.

In addition, the event will honor “Crossings” artist Taag Peterson, who coordinated the restoration effort.

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