



**PUBLIC ART FINALISTS' PRESENTATION MATERIALS ON VIEW IN
BERKELEY PUBLIC LIBRARY'S NORTH AND CLAREMONT BRANCHES
DECEMBER 20, 2010 – JANUARY 4, 2011**

Final presentation materials for the public art projects of the Berkeley Public Library's North and Claremont Branch Construction Projects will be on public view inside the North and Claremont Branch Libraries during normal branch library hours from Monday, December 20, 2010, through Tuesday, January 4, 2011 (please note that all library locations will be closed Friday, December 24, 2010, and Saturday, December 25, 2010, for Christmas holiday and Friday, December 31, 2010, and Saturday, January 1, 2011 for New Year's holiday). These presentation materials will include material samples that accurately represent the finished work that each artist is proposing; a color sample board; a scale model / maquette or rendered drawing with appropriate details; a detailed project budget; and, written statements or comments that will help to clarify the artist's proposal.

This is the opportunity for the public to comment on the individual proposals during the period that they are displayed. These comments will be collated and delivered to the Selection Panel. These informal comments may help to raise new perspectives and open issues for discussion by the Panel, and they may help the decision process in some way.

The three finalists selected for North Branch are: Marion Coleman www.marioncoleman.com; John Wehrle www.troutinhand.com; and Lena Wolff www.lenawolff.com. The three finalists selected for Claremont Branch are Eric Powell www.ericpowell.com; David Ruth www.davidruth.com; and Nina Zurier www.ninazurier.com and Pat Bruning www.bruningdesign.com.

Funding for alterations and improvements to all four Library Branches, including the public art projects, is provided by a local \$26 million Bond Measure FF, approved by the electorate in November 2008. For additional information regarding the Berkeley community support for our libraries, see the following website: <http://www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org/branchimprovements>.

At the Regular Board of Library Trustees meeting on Wednesday, January 12, 2011, at South Branch Library, approval to incorporate the designs chosen by the Selection Panel into the Branch Construction Projects will be discussed and considered for approval. Commissions to the two selected artists will follow in the form of executed contracts. For further information please contact Berkeley Public Library Administration at (510) 981-6195.