

"Building a World of Readers, Artists and Dreamers"

On Saturday, June 4, 2016, fourteen young, aspiring artists and painters converged on the Schaumburg Township District Library's Hoffman Estates Branch Library to help paint a mural created by Geoff Bevington, artist and cartoonist. The theme of the mural is "Building a World of Readers, Artists and Dreamers".

This mural melds Geoff's passions of cartooning and bringing the message of literacy to everyone, especially to children. The mural also commemorates the 20th Anniversary of Hoffman Estates and its Sister City, Angoulême, France.

The ages of the children painting were from 8 to 12 and the mural painting was completed in 3 sessions during the day. All the children were given T-shirts for painting with the theme of the mural noted prominently on the front of the T-shirt. One lucky young painter went home with an autographed copy of "Steve the Dog and The Winged Tiger", a book illustrated by Geoff Bevington and written by Phil Yeh.

The completed mural will be hung in the Hoffman Estates Branch Library in a very prominent place just inside the main door of the library for all to see and admire. Pictures of the mural painting follow this article along with a video.

The names of the young painters are Aidan, Roman, Aayush, Ayesha, Sidra, Riya, Bonnie, Joselyn, Maritza, Lukas, Noah, Oscar, Svar, and Devanshu.

They were assisted by Barbara Adrianopoli, Jean-Marc Bartsch, Ken Campbell, Marcia and Ed Frank, Lillian Mosier, Lily Rudnick and Jack Riter.







