

# Spectrum in Movement: An Exploration through the Animated Lens

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#### A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

#### Dear Friends,

We are pleased to present to you our *Spectrum in Movement: An Exploration through the Animated Lens*, a pictorial that represents the culmination of a three-month-long art exhibition consisting of pieces solely created by Spectrum for Living clients. As you will see in the following pages, our many clients have beautifully expressed themselves through illustrations of objects viewed from our natural world that are of personal significance to them.

Creative self-expression is just one of the many components of a meaningful life. At Spectrum for Living, we strive to afford the many adults that we serve with the same opportunities as others to live a life of meaning and purpose. Our programs and services offer them the freedom to make their own choices, become active members of society, and have access to the same opportunities as other individuals to experience the full richness that life has to offer. Our Art Program is but one of many programs through which we accomplish this.

We are thankful to Middlesex County Board of County Commissioners and our many exhibition partners who have contributed to the success of this endeavor. If you are as inspired as I am by what you see here, we invite you to learn more about us by visiting our website at <u>www.spectrumforliving.org</u>, or, alternatively, scanning the QR code that appears later in this publication.

Regards,

Christopher L. Perry President & Chief Executive Officer Spectrum for Living

# Spectrum of Movement: An Exploration through

the Animated Lens

Spectrum in Movement: An Exploration through the Animated Lens was a three-month-long art exhibit with pieces created by Spectrum for Living clients. Through the support of the Middlesex County Arts and History Grant Program, this artistic exhibition was an exercise in animation, digital creation, and creative expression. Throughout the education phase of the project, clients learned the basics of storyboarding, illustration, integration, and video rendering. Their animations were created through coloring, shading, and adding texture to landscape illustrations. Upon the completion of each client's piece, our Arts Team worked in tandem with our artists to help identify common elements among all of their pieces to create a cohesive rendered video.



#### ALICE

"I love my project and enjoyed creating my own animation."

#### ARIANNA

"Arianna's self-portrait brought a huge smile to her face."

> Christine Huysers, Art Specialist







"I had a lot of fun creating my art and using different colors!"

#### BILLY

"Billy loved seeing his artwork turn out so beautifully!"

> Nicky Napolitano, Director of Recreation





#### BRANDON

"Brandon enjoyed experimenting with digital art."

> Christine Huysers, Art Specialist

#### BRET

"My artwork looks cool!"





#### BRUCE

"Bruce gave his art a big thumbs up!"

> Nicky Napolitano, Director of Recreation



#### "This was fun to create!"







"My art looks beautiful!"

#### CAROLYN

"This project was fun!"





## CHARLOTTE

"Charlotte had a fantastic time creating her art, while incorporating her favorite colors."

> Christine Huysers, Art Specialist

#### **CLIFFORD**

"l did a great job - it looks awesome!





#### CRISTINE

#### "My animation is cool!"

#### DANIEL

"My art looks wonderful! I enjoyed seeing it come to life through the video."







"WOW! I love it!"

### JOANN

"Joann offered a proud smile when presenting her art work!"

> Nicky Napolitano, Director of Recreation





#### KEVIN

"Kevin signed a big thumbs up when he completed his piece!"

> Christine Huysers, Art Specialist

#### KRISTIN

"Kristin's work is very expressive!"

Nicky Napolitano, Director of Recreation





#### LIN

"Lin had a big smile on her face when she saw her art!"

> Christine Huysers, Art Specialist

#### MARZIA

"Marzia did a fantastic job incorporating cool tone colors."

> Nicky Napolitano, Director of Recreation





#### MICHAEL

"I love it!"

### MITCHELL

"I love my yellow monkey swinging from the vine!"







"I am so proud of myself!"

#### RAPHAEL

"My artwork looks out of this world – I love it!"





#### RAYMOND

"I enjoyed learning about animation and showing the world what I can create."

#### SARITA

"It looks so pretty!"





### THERESA

"Theresa did a beautiful job and offered a smile when presenting her final piece."

> Christine Huysers, Art Specialist

#### THOMAS

"My artwork looks nice."







#### "My artwork looks great!"

#### WALTER

"Wally did a beautiful job and enjoyed learning how to use new technology to create his piece."

> Nicky Napolitano, Director of Recreation



#### SPECTRUM ARTISTS IN THE COMMUNITY



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#### THANK YOU TO OUR ARTS & RECREATION TEAM



#### CHRISTINE HUYSERS

#### **ART SPECIALIST**

"Spectrum in Movement was a rewarding experience that offered our clients the opportunity to explore animation and digital creation. It was a privilege assisting our clients as they enthusiastically focused their efforts towards identifying images, learning the technology, and creating a succinct animated video."

#### NICKALINA NAPOLITANO

#### DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL RECREATION

"It was a wonderful experience working with our clients as they learned the fundamentals of digital art and engaged with methods of animation. I was proud to see their work come to life and I am grateful to our grantors, supporters, and library partners who helped turn our vision into a reality."



### **SUPPORT OUR ART PROGRAM**

To see our full list of giving opportunities or to make a donation online, please visit:

#### www.spectrumforliving.org/giving

Your gift to Spectrum for Living enables us to achieve our goal of helping adults with disabilities reach their full potential. Support of our Art Program is vital to our ability to carry out our mission and make a positive difference in the lives of our clients.





### **THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS**

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