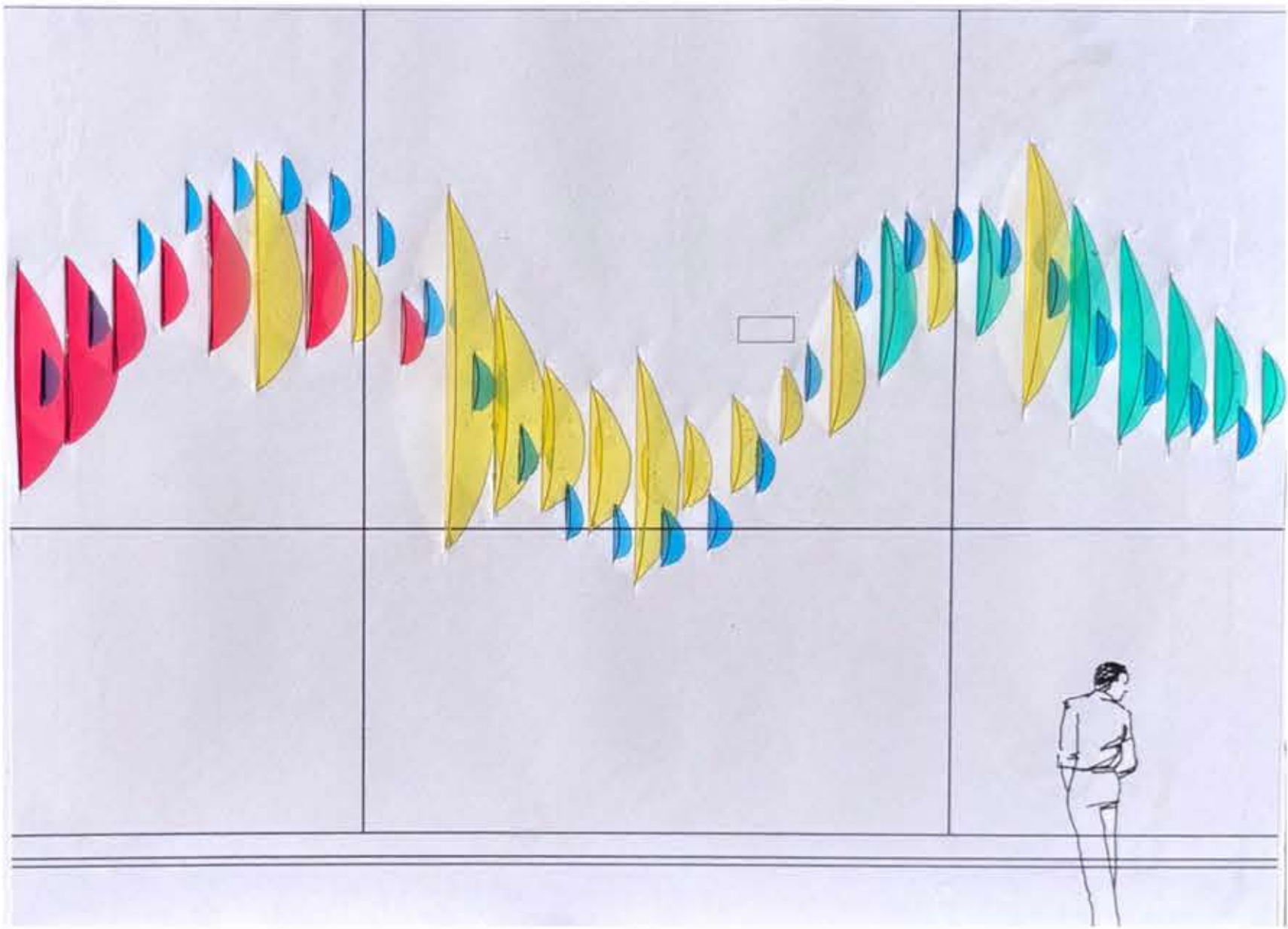


here comes the neighborhood PUBLIC ART

ARTWORK PROPOSAL

BY KAORI FUKUYAMA



Artist rendering of the Heartbeat Academy drumline sound wave.

Artist Kaori Fukuyama has been commissioned by the City of San Diego to create a site-specific artwork for Encanto in the vicinity of the Black Arts and Culture District as part of the *here comes the neighborhood: Encanto* Public Art Project. The artist spent several months learning about the neighborhood and engaging with the public and directly with the community to develop her artwork proposal.

The proposed artwork will be sited on the Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center. The artwork has three components. It features a direct connection to the community in that the artist collaborated with Heartbeat Music and Performing Arts Academy and the artwork will feature an abstract representation of one of their drumline performances. To visualize this performance, the artist proposes a colorful soundwave that directly corresponds to the beats. Green, yellow, and red colors will be used for the beats, representing the African flag, and small, blue panels will be used for the melodic undertone. Transparent colored acrylic panels installed perpendicular to the wall to represent sound wave. The panels will cast colored shadow under the sunlight. The wave will be represented on the west and south facing walls.



- COLOR CONSIDERATIONS:
- Red - struggle for liberation
 - Green - the abundant natural beauty of Africa
 - Black people of African descent
 - Yellow - optimism, justice, equality
 - Blue - sadness, painful history of the slave trade



Yellow indicates where the artwork will be located.



Aerial view of the Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center where the artwork will be sited.

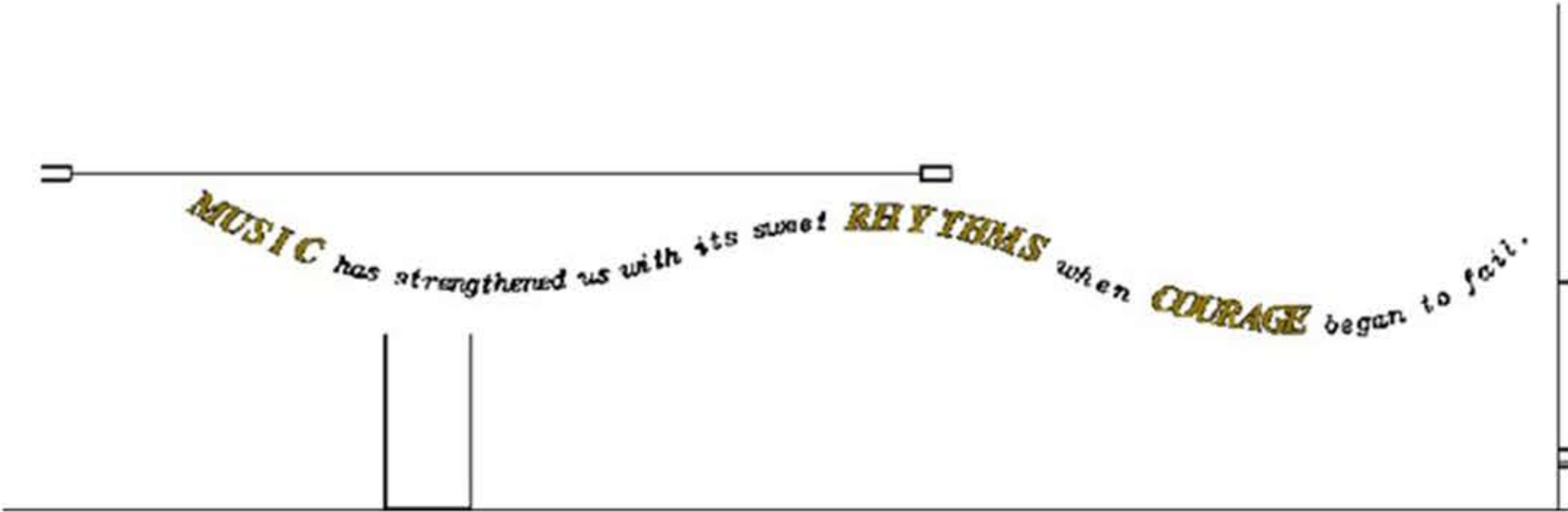


Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center

The two additional components of the artwork are quotes by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr..

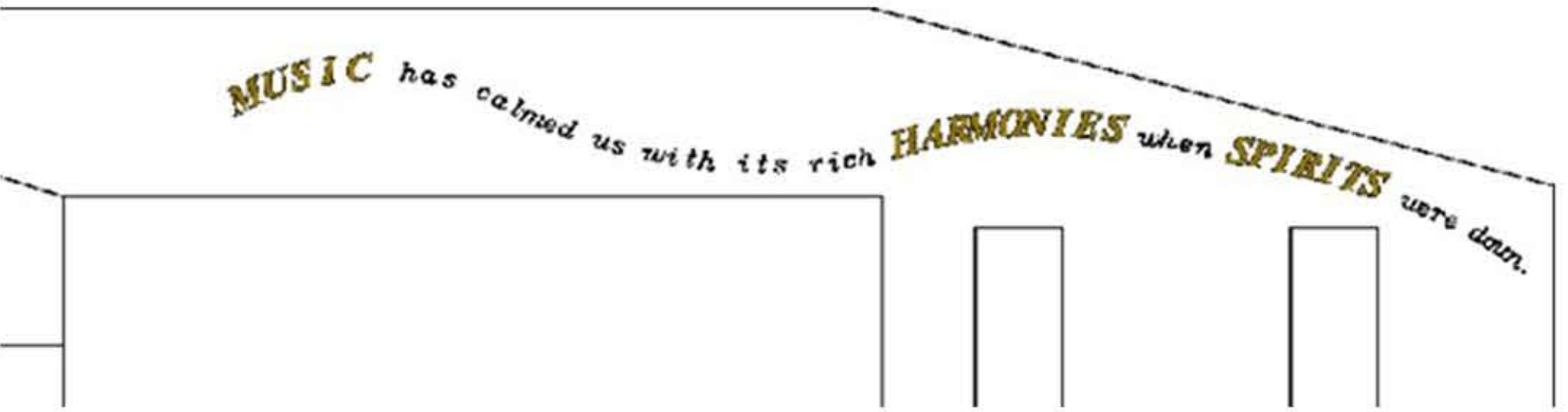
Each quote will be painted in black on the existing wall with certain words emphasized by floating metal letters (in Satin Brass color) to be mounted on the wall. The words "MUSIC", "RHYTHMS", and "COURAGE" will be emphasized from the following quote:

"MUSIC has strengthened us with its sweet RHYTHMS when COURAGE began to fail."



The words "MUSIC", "HARMONIES", and "SPIRITS" will be emphasized from the following quote:

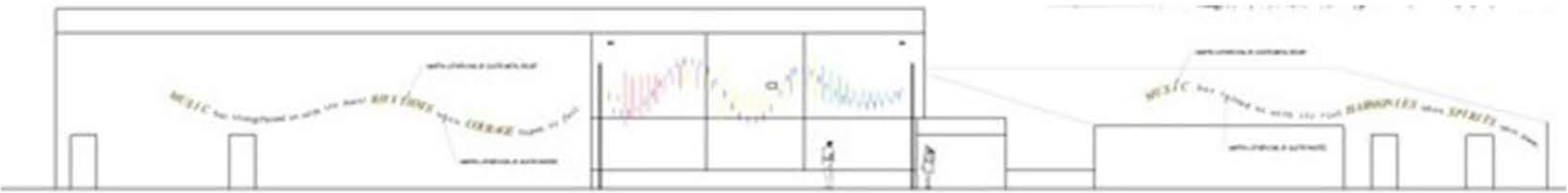
"MUSIC has calmed us with its rich HARMONIES when SPIRITS were down."



The artist selected these quotes to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and his love of music. The quote will inspire local youth, Heartbeat Music and Performing Arts Academy students, musicians, and others who are facing challenges.



3D Text Example



Artist rendering of the artwork.