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Explore fields of art around the Capital Region

Plenty of work to explore around the Capital Region By Tim Kane Special to the Times Union Published 12:55 a.m., Thursday, July 28, 2011

Outdoor Sculpture 2011

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Art Every Where by June Bisantz is displayed in Pittsfield, Mass. (Courtesy Pittsfield)

Art belongs outside the box.

Recently, Albany, Troy and Saratoga Springs have revitalized public art on streets, in town squares and adorning public buildings. But just outside the immediate Capital Region are four places have been staging public art exhibitions for more than a decade. Here's a roundup of what they're showing this summer:

Pittsfield's Artscape

On a Pittsfield, Mass., street, a red hand urges us to stop while white bars on the street illustrate a path ahead and a yellow sign beams "Fresh Perspective." Huh?

The double-take making scene — the "Signs of Life" series by artist June Bisantz — is emblematic of the 10th annual Artscape. More condensed than usual due to construction, the show is situated in a half-mile area.