

Never wallflowers

Outdoor murals -- either faithful reproductions or eye-catching originals -- invite good, long looks

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To chance upon one of Columbus' stunning outdoor murals is a surefire way to brighten the day.



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Drive on N. High Street in the Short North, and you can't help but marvel at *Cliff Dwellers*, a

reproduction of George Bellows' famous painting by Michelle Attias and Curtis Goldstein.

Off E. Broad Street: Maloun Coork, left, and Mark Dixon rap in front of Aminah Robinson's *A Street Called Home*, re-created by Columbus College of Art & Design students.

Do a double take when you realize that Eric Grohe's *Dedication* on one side of the Mount Carmel College of Nursing building on S. Davis Street is a painting and not a 3-D sculpture.

Or take in the bountiful colors of Aminah Robinson's *A Street Called Home*, faithfully reproduced by students of the Columbus College of Art & Design near the campus Downtown.

We asked a few art experts to nominate their favorites from the mural bounty in central Ohio. We gave the list to *Dispatch* photographer Eric Albrecht, who in turn photographed the nominees and selected his favorite four.

Here they are. You'll find all of the nominees online.

Did we miss your favorite? Tell us what the mural is and where it's located, and, if you like, snap a photo and send it to talking@dispatch.com.

More murals are being planned or are in progress in central Ohio. Read about them on Page E2.

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