

## SWNI News January 2019 Collins View Article

**Collins View Fact:** Capitol Hill Elementary School in South Burlingame has been the go-to elementary for Collins View students since 1976. When the Collins View School (1937-1976) building became Riverdale School District's High School in 2001, a large mural, which had been in the school since 1945, was transferred to Capitol Hill, where it hangs in the cafeteria/auditorium today. Nextdoor detectives mined neighborhood knowledge to identify Jack McLarty (1919 – 2011) as the artist, and are still working to find out more. "William Jackson (Jack) McLarty was a renowned surrealist painter, printmaker, and teacher in the Pacific Northwest. His first one-man show of paintings at the Portland Art Museum in 1945 was the beginning of a lifetime of achievements. He painted murals at Laurelhurst School, Collins View School [the one moved to Capitol Hill School] and Buckman School....His works are in museum collections all over the country, including the Smithsonian American Art Museum. His largest public work is a woodcut mural on display in Portland City Hall."

From:<http://obits.oregonlive.com/obituaries/oregon/obituary.aspx?n=william-james-mclarty-jack&pid=152744373> If you have information –(like a title?)- or stories on this art work please contact Collins View Outreach.

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We are so lucky to have the neighborhood's lovely tree canopy. It is one reason why people choose to live in Collins View. (Certainly not the availability of public transport.) Not only do we have more than 63% of the residential area covered by our trees, we have Tryon Creek State Park and Riverview Natural Area. With this bounty comes twelve-month responsibilities. The summer's worth of leaves and winter's rains mean storm drains need to be kept clear. Urban wildfires are on the other end of the duty and concern spectrum. Consider Collins View to be at a "Wildland Fire Urban Interface" of our contiguous tree canopy "Get Ready." "Be Prepared" "Act Early." An excellent guide, *Ready Set Go! Your Personal Wildfire Action Guide* is available to download and print:

<https://www.wildlandfirersg.org/Portals/18/Resources/Resources/EAG%20v8.pdf>

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