

Full STEAM Ahead

Location: North Michigan Rd. and Mausoleum Rd.

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"Full STEAM Ahead" focuses on the creative aspects of working with your hands in an artful way. The STEAM concept is meant to always include the arts in technology, engineering, science, and math. The playful shapes are tools used by artists, builders, architects, and others as they create. The colors used to intersect and mix in those intersections, creating a "color mathematics" of a sort and serve to keep the eye traveling and exploring the shapes as recognizable objects and tools we use in everyday life. The colors chosen are warm, and the contrast of light and dark values enhance the shapes as they move through the composition.

About Laura

I am a plein air and studio artist and art educator. I work in several mediums: acrylic, watercolor, gouache, pastels, and pen and pencil. I also enjoy working in different styles from realistic landscapes, to whimsical drawings and quirky, humorous animal artwork. I love to tell stories through my art and evoke shared memories and emotions. I envision pedestrians and drivers (when stopped at the traffic light) having fun identifying the shapes as they pause in their travels. I have family living in Shelby County, and I like the idea that they will see this artwork possibly on their way to school or work.