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Why Did the Chicken Cross the Road?



"Mutha Hen" Photo provided

Orinda artist Eileen Fitz-Faulkner, who designs award-winning two- and three-dimensional art in concrete, tile and glass, is holding a contest to see who comes up with the cleverest response to the question, "Why did the chicken cross the road?" One of her latest creations, "Mutha Hen," was placed near the crosswalk outside the Orinda Theatre as part of the Art in Public Places program, "ArtSpace Orinda," which has been placing outdoor sculptures in the Orinda community since 2007. Its mission is to recognize artists as important cultural resources, and to install artwork throughout the city to broaden public awareness and encourage dialogue about public art.

"I thought a crosswalk was a fun place to show the chicken because of the old chicken riddle," Fitz-Faulkner said. "I'm curious to see what people come up with."

As a prize for the best suggestion, the winner will receive Fitz-Faulkner's first egg creation, "Eggstream," a 28-inch concrete baseball egg. Contestants must respond by Sept. 30 to enter the contest. The winner will be announced in early October. Send your responses to effaulkner@gmail.com.

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