

Local Artist Spotlight: Teresa Pereira and YPL Murals

This exhibit was created by Eleanora Lawrence, 2024 summer intern, with help from Michelle Halpern and Benjamin Zender.

Interview:

Listen to a brief interview with the artist about the Riverfront Children's Library mural here (archives link)

The full interview, pictures, and newspaper articles on the artists' work at all YPL branches are available at the YPL Digital Archives [here](#).

Ships and Namesakes:

- Katrusiaphan honors former Riverfront Children's Dept Head Ethel Petryczka. The two children in the boat represent her children, Katherine and Stephan.
- It's MAGIC honors a popular acting and storytelling program for children by the same name.
- Lisa Star is named for former Children's librarian Lisa Star.
- Alicia is named for former Librarian Trainee Alicia Broggio.
- The Force is named for former director of the Yonkers Public Library system Steve Force.
- Mary is named for Mary Rogers, former Head Custodian at Riverfront Library.
- Ward Off is named for former custodian Hollister Ward.
- The Forest is named for former custodian Forrest Mitchell.
- Jacob's Lad (short for Jacob's Ladder) and Annabel are named after the artists' children. She was pregnant with Anna when she painted the mural.