

## Hamilton, Your Shape is Waiting

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*'Shapes for Hamilton' opened this afternoon at Colgate's Clifford Gallery, and it literally has something for everyone in the Town of Hamilton.*

"Shapes For Hamilton: Creating Art Celebrating Community One Shape at a Time" opened in the Clifford Gallery of Colgate's Little Hall this afternoon.

The unique shapes that artist Allan McCollum created and which will be distributed to each person in the Town of Hamilton fill the gallery from floor to ceiling. The black abstract images on white pieces of paper are nestled in row upon row of plastic sleeves, and visitor can use a numbering system to find the shape that has been assigned to them.

McCollum demonstrates the commonness of the unique with this array of some 6,500 shapes that will be distributed to people the first two weekends of April. But for gallery visitors, the temptation is there to puzzle over which shape represents which resident.

The artist has created a process by which he calculates he can create some 31 billion unique shapes.

The shapes will be on display at Clifford until they are distributed April 3 and 4 and 10 and 11 at locations and times to be announced.