



**PUBLIC ART OPPORTUNITY**



# Executive Summary

At its May 19, 2025 meeting, the Public Art Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend that the Board of County Commissioners approve a one-year temporary loan of *It Was a Windy Day They Would Never Forget* by internationally renowned artists Gillie and Marc.

As of June 24, 2025, the artists have presented a unique and unprecedented opportunity to Martin County Art in Public Places by offering the sculpture for permanent acquisition at a price of \$33,000, inclusive of shipping. While Gillie and Marc have never extended such an offer before, they expressed that they believe the artwork would have a more meaningful and lasting impact as a permanent installation within the community.

This initiative supports the goals of the Art in Public Places Program by introducing a high-profile work of public art that enhances the cultural landscape, fosters community engagement, and promotes cultural tourism throughout Martin County.





# About the Artists: Gillie & Marc

Gillie and Marc are internationally renowned contemporary artists based in Sydney, Australia. Their public sculptures appear in over 250 cities worldwide and often feature their iconic characters, Rabbitwoman and Dogman. Known for creating accessible, narrative-driven works, their practice aims to engage the public and foster connection through art in everyday spaces.









A large bronze sculpture of a person lying on their back with their arms raised, set against a modern building with a Virgin Megastore sign.

# Proposed Artwork (Bronze): *It Was a Windy Day They Would Never Forget*

Retail Price: \$132,000

Artist Offer for Purchase (Including Shipping): \$33,000

Dimensions: 85.8" H × 76.8" L × 31.5" W

Weight: 780 lbs



# **It Was a Windy Day They Would Never Forget**

## **SCULPTURE BY GILLIE AND MARC**

### **#GillieandMarc**

**Hold on tight—the wind is wild today! Rabbitwoman and Dogman are caught in a gust so strong it lifts them right off their feet. Clinging to a single palm tree, their bodies soar behind them, carried by the chaos. But instead of resisting, they embrace the storm. Because for them, life is best lived without a map—following the breeze to wherever it may lead.**

**Through this whirlwind moment, they remind us that while it's beautiful to go with the flow, sometimes we must hold on—to love, to hope, to the wild things that matter most.**

**Rabbitwoman and Dogman tell the autobiographical tale of two opposites coming together as best friends and soulmates. This beloved pair of characters work as our conduit with wildlife, helping us find joy in nature and rekindle our connection with the wild.**

**To find out more, go to [www.gillieandmarc.com](http://www.gillieandmarc.com)**

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# Recommended Site: The Patio at Palm City Place

- Highly visible location in the heart of Old Palm City CRA
- Built to host public art and community events
- Sculpture enhances placemaking and visitor appeal
- Meaningful addition to Palm City, which currently features only one existing public art piece









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Answer Any  
Questions!**

