



Be Peacock Proud - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!

Artist: Volunteers from Keep Dalton-Whitfield Beautiful

Sponsor: Dalton-Whitfield Solid Waste Authority



Items on Pearl:

- Plastic six-pack rings
- Pull tabs off soda cans
- Plastic bottle tops
- Christmas decorations
- Mardi Gras beads
- Polypropylene pellets (recycled from bottles)
- Plastic Drinking Straws
- Tub lids (nuts, dairy products)
- Drink pouches (such as Capri Suns)
- Packaging/bags (chips, fruit, vegetables, pet food, shopping)
- Pull-off steel can lids
- Styrofoam (cups, meat & egg cartons)
- Cigarette butts
- Astro Turf
- Party decorations
- Telephone Cords
- Worn out dog leashes
- Aluminum lids (vitamin seals, dairy products)
- Costume Jewelry
- Buttons; Chair Wheel
- Keys, several sizes
- Scissors, melted handle



"Yes, I know that I look just fabulous! I'm covered in amazing upcycled, repurposed, and reused materials that won't be going to the landfill."

-- Pearl the Peacock

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- Young's Body Shop
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And, thanks to many others who donated items to decorate Pearl, and took the time to transport her to several locations.

Front View



Back View



Pearl the Peacock was decorated with items that are classified as trash, litter, or recyclable. Reuse them, and you get a beautiful work of art!

Rethink your waste...

Pearl the Peacock is one of the peacock statues placed in Downtown Dalton for Peacocks on Parade organized by the Downtown Dalton Development Authority. Pearl was sponsored by the Dalton-Whitfield Solid Waste Authority and designed by volunteers from Keep Dalton-Whitfield Beautiful from 2011-12.

The grass on the front and back of the statue is a combination of astro turf and cigarette butts collected from Downtown Dalton. **Front View:**

Pearl's legs were wrapped with telephone wire. The feet have telephone wire and orange mesh produce bags. The upper legs have six pack rings. The chest is covered with aluminum can tabs. Wings are outlined with decorative beads and made of circles cut out of plastic bags. The lower wings have steel can lids, decorative jewels, plastic tub lids, and drinking cup lids. The peacock feathers have stems made with drinking straws, telephone wire, six pack rings, and tulle. The eyes for the feathers are plastic tub lids

decorated with pellets, beads, and jewelry. **Back View:** Bottle caps from a variety of plastic bottles were glued on the back along with thinner lids from plastic tubs to create colorful feathers. The lower tail feathers were made from pieces of yellow and white foam from coffee cups, meat trays, and egg cartons. The upper tail feathers were designed with aluminum foil lids from yogurt cups, medicine bottle, and other containers; plastic tub lids; six-pack rings; aluminum can tabs; and plastic drinking straws.