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Virginia Main Street



A Walk Down Henry Street

*celebrating the art & life
of David Ramey*

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2-4 p.m.

Gainsboro Garage Lot, 60 Centre Ave NW, Roanoke, Virginia

Rain Location: Hotel Roanoke Conference Center

Free Parking: Roanoke Higher Education Center parking lot & Gainsboro Garage rooftop level

Pictured above: DAVID RAMEY, 1958 (East Side of Henry Street), 2006; Pencil, ink, colored marker, spray and acrylic paints on foamboard; Collection of David Ramey, Jr.

The David Ramey Gainsboro Mural

David A. Ramey (1929-2017) created more than 700 drawings during a nearly 40-year period. From the 1980s until his passing in 2017, Ramey illustrated scenes of Roanoke life in neighborhoods, railroad work, religious iconography, and still life, culminating in works for several books including the self-published *The Times and Life on Henry Street*.

Gainsboro neighbors worked with the City of Roanoke through PARK Roanoke and the Roanoke Arts Commission to create the mural on the side of the Gainsboro Garage. Please explore the mural at the intersection of Centre Avenue and Henry Street NW.



Untitled (Henry Street), 1994
Drawing related to "Henry Street"
Story in *Gainsboro Road and Beyond* (Unpublished C), p. 27
Ink and colored pencil on paper
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David Ramey Mural Dedication

**Sunday, April 28, 2-4 p.m.
Gainsboro Garage**

Welcome

Brian Mann, PARK Roanoke

Special Song

"What A Wonderful World" by Louis Armstrong,
sung by Gary Banister

Project Background & History

Brian Mann, PARK Roanoke
Ricardo Stovall, President,
Historic Gainsboro Preservation District
Polly Branch, Roanoke Artist in Residence

Special Reading

Nadirah Wright, Gainsboro Artist and family member

David Ramey Day Proclamation & Ramey Lot Renaming

Brian Mann, PARK Roanoke
Stephanie Moon-Reynolds, Roanoke City Council
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