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Stepping Out

GroundWork Lawrence lantern auction

Essex Art Center, Lawrence
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More than 15 artists from Methuen, Haverhill and Lawrence donated original lanterns to the silent auction. They were fashioned from recyclable materials and lighted from inside by either candles or light bulbs, with some bids reaching as high as \$700. Proceeds benefit the organization and its causes.

▶ Melanie Lilly of Lawrence is silhouetted by Marissa Sheaman's lantern, with Robert H. Corey's lanterns in the foreground. Lilly is a GroundWorks Green Team member and Sheaman is an art teacher at Lawrence High.



Admiring a lantern by artist Joe Unni, "Light from Lincoln Foods," are event organizers, from left, program manager Lesly Melendez, Green Team member Zachary Francisco, both of Lawrence, board president John Faro and Andrea Faro, both of Salem, N.H. The lantern is made from the original floor boards at the former food processing plant.

◀ Rick Boccelli of Andover checks out the Go Swiss lantern from artist Jurg Siegenthaler.

▶ Artist Tammie Lanier of Lawrence fixes her lantern.

