

**Bethani Wells**

Interning for Elayna Toby Singer was a learning and professional development experience in which I was exposed to many things, including trying out "office life" for the first time.

I learned how to handle different people and situations in a professional manner and how to correspond in writing and make phone calls professionally. I became more acquainted with what's happening around the County and was introduced to many local artists. I was lucky to help with the "Art at the Airport" exhibition at Palm Beach International Airport. I worked with artist submittals, drafted exhibit labels, helped install the exhibit and design the reception invitation. This was fun!

Being out in the field was great too. For example, I saw sculpture being installed at the Mounts Botanical Garden and shadowed Elayna in an outdoor site review about the art at the Palm Beach County Convention Center. Through doing research for educational outreach presentations, I learned much about public art and up and coming programs like geocaching. Along the way I also learned a ton about computers and how to navigate a gamut of programs.

In all, this internship didn't just help out my résumé, but really grew me as an artist, a student, and as a person. I gained so much from the experience. It was truly a pleasure!