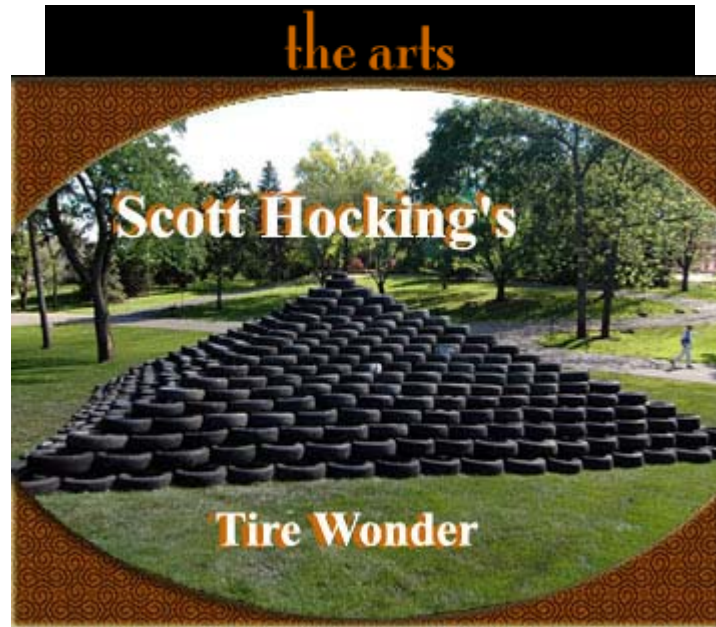




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## 2006-05-31 Scott Hocking's Tire Pyramid

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Scott Hocking is standing along the side of the road next to his borrowed truck, the bed of which is full of decaying, muck encrusted tires. He's equally filthy, the result of removing these tires from the abandoned lot on Detroit's East Side on which the tires had been originally dumped. He's been doing this for about two weeks now, and this was to be his final trip. So of course it's at this moment that two of Detroit's finest arrive and want to know just exactly what Hocking and his helpers are doing with all these tires. His explanation that these are all for an art installation – specifically a "Tire Pyramid" to be installed on a Bloomfield Hills lawn, just isn't flying with the officers.

Oh, and like it has for each of the last ten days that he's been working on this project, it's raining.

Your Arts Editor filed this story for the Metro Times, check it out [here](#), and scroll down for more pics from Hocking's recent project of tires, pyramids, art, recycling, bringing together of old and new, rich and poor, and as always turning the discarded into something useful, something beautiful once again.

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(To find out what you can do about Illegal Dumping attend [this town hall meeting](#), Thursday June 8, from 6 to 8pm, at Western International School)  
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