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A new home for 'NuPenny': Art installation moves to KU campus



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The traveling art installation known as "NuPenny's Last Stand" is [on the move](#) again.

A Spencer Museum of Art official confirmed the move Tuesday, after snapshots of the chrome-colored quasi-toy store — this time positioned in a grassy clearing flanked by trees — surfaced on Twitter over the weekend.



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Created by Wichita artist Randy Regier, the Space Age-y kiosk has spent the past two and a half months lighting up (literally, in the evenings) a dead end of 19th Street in Lawrence VenturePark. As of last Friday, it's now located on the Kansas University campus, says Spencer Museum communications coordinator Elizabeth Kanost, though in keeping with the whimsy of "NuPenny," she's not revealing where exactly.

The [art installation is part of the Spencer Museum's At Large program](#), which aims to keep patrons engaged with offsite programming and events until the museum reopens after renovations wrap next year.

The new spot was chosen collaboratively with Randy Regier and museum staff, Kanost wrote in an email. "Regier said discovering 'NuPenny' in this setting reminded him of Lucy entering Narnia through the wardrobe."



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[@lawrenceks](#) indeed. it seems #NuPenny wanted an ideal spot to watch the leaves change.

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Kanost says "it's difficult to say when 'NuPenny' will decide to leave," but its new spot on the KU campus will likely be its last in Lawrence, at least this season.

Until then, the Spencer Museum is working "NuPenny's Last Stand" into several At Large programs this fall, including the museum's [Backyard Bash](#) from 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday in KU's Marvin Grove — "visitors will have an ideal viewing opportunity" there, Kanost hints — as well as next month's Art Cart activity Oct. 3 and the October Slow Art Sundays event Oct. 18.

For more information, check out the Spencer Museum's [At Large calendar](#).

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