

# ARTIST BRINGING AWARENESS TO OUR VETERAN SUICIDE CRISIS

*ARTIST SCOTT LOBAIDO TO ERECT TRAVELING ART INSTALLATION IN HOMETOWN OF STATEN ISLAND THROUGH PARTNERSHIP WITH THE SOUTH SHORE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT*

STATEN ISLAND, NEW YORK, UNITED STATES, April 3, 2019  
/EINPresswire.com/ -- American Artist [Scott LoBaido](#) has completed 7 stops on this 13 state tour. With 3 cross country tours since 2006, painting flags across America to promote patriotism and celebrate our Veterans.

This latest tour "[22-13 Traveling Art Installation](#)", is Scott's most important creative mission. Each day 22 of our Veterans die by their own hand. Scott has spent the last several years helping our severely injured Veterans, through his art.

Now it is time to help the injuries and pain in the minds of these heroes. PTSD is the number one issue. Since his tour began in early May, LoBaido has heard hundreds of first hand stories, from family members as well as those in uniform who have been or still are suffering from PTSD. He has also learned that there are many organizations across the country that are there to help but they are under the radar and unreachable.

We need to kill the stigma and get the dialogue to a national level and call upon our elected officials to create the umbrella and fund these great help centers. 22 suicides each day is horrendous. This patriotic art tour is to heighten awareness and raise the dialogue for this severe crisis, and grab the attention of the nation and figure out how to bring this number down. They sacrificed for us. Let us return the favor.

Come join Scott and members of The [South Shore Business Improvement District](#) at this powerful lighting ceremony on Saturday April 6, 2019 at 7:15 pm at the grass lot located across



Two 2's facing each other creates an empty heart



22 pairs of gold empty boots, surround the 22 sculpture.



22 life size figures representing the 22 Vet souls lost each day. Made of wire mesh and battery opp lights. Figures will surround The 22 sculpture

The 22 is made of hard, light weight foam board and wood and covered in the Stars and stripes on both sides and be lit up with hidden spot lights

the street from 849 Annadale Rd, Staen  
Island, New York.

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