



PLACZEK STUDIOS
MONUMENTAL SCULPTURES

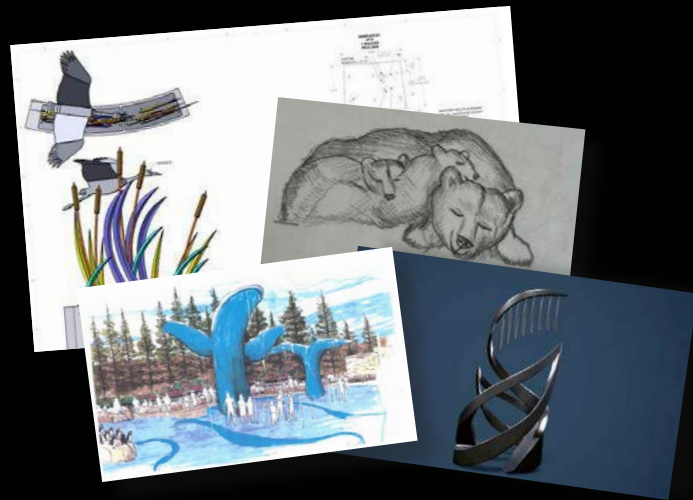
FOR MORE THAN THREE DECADES, MATTHEW PLACZEK
HAS CREATED MAGNIFICENT ARTWORK THAT CAN BE FOUND
IN GALLERIES, CORPORATIONS, HEALTHCARE FACILITIES,
ZOOS AND PRIVATE COLLECTIONS AROUND THE WORLD.



CONCEPTUALIZATION

Innovative use of materials—bronze, acrylic, stainless steel—and thoughtful integration of water and light are central to the work of Placzek Studios. The blending of form, texture, and environment creates sculptures that are both visually striking and quietly immersive, from large-scale installations to the most precise, hand-finished details.

Matthew Placzek's work can be found in medical centers, museums, universities, healing gardens, and corporate campuses across the country. These pieces often serve as more than visual landmarks—they become part of the identity of the spaces they inhabit, inviting connection and reflection.



Turning an abstract idea into a physical form is a complex process. It requires more than imagination; it calls for technical knowledge, planning, and an ongoing dialogue between artist and client. For Placzek, collaboration is integral. Listening closely, sharing ideas, and staying engaged throughout the process are as important as any material or tool.



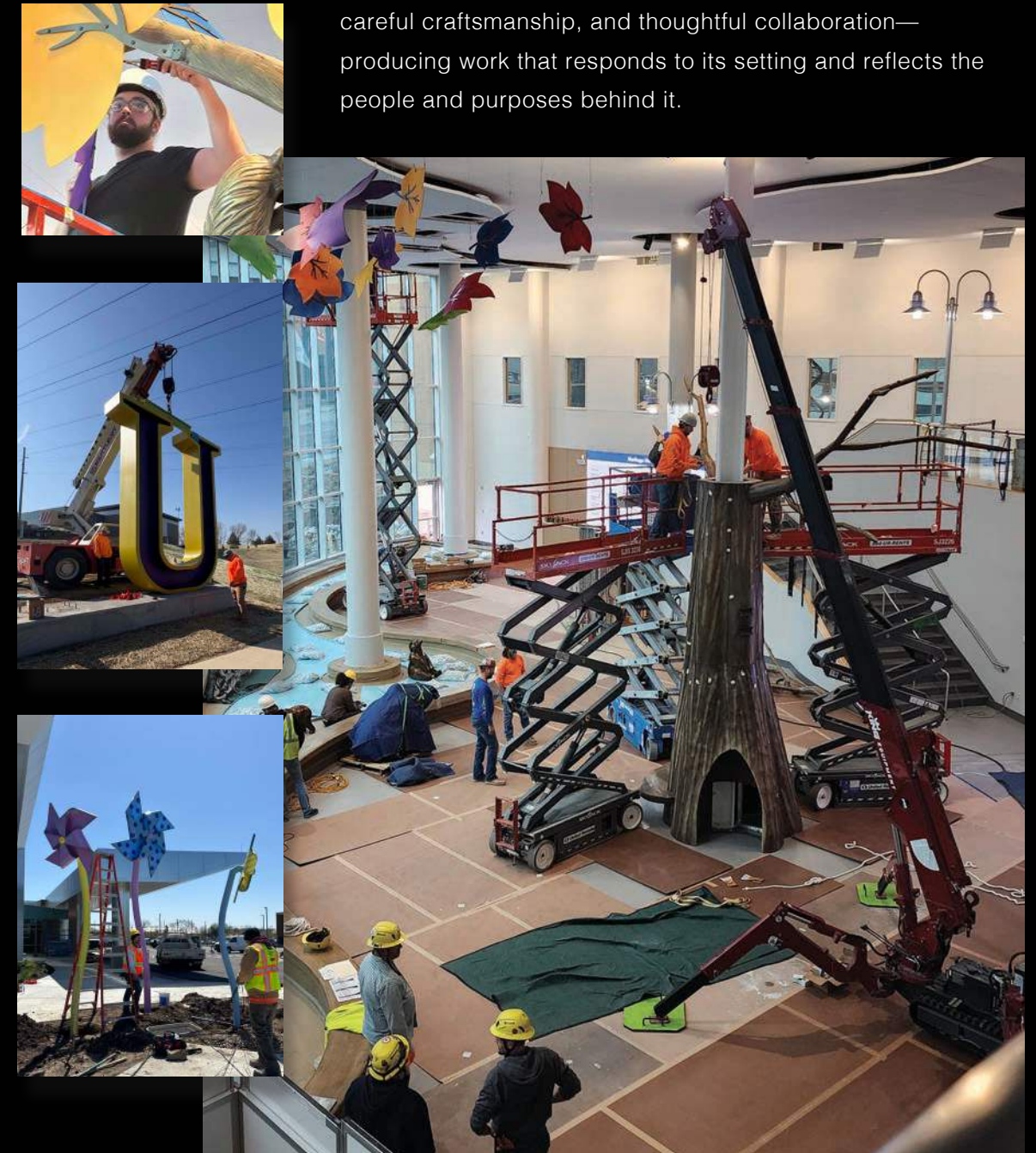
With over 30 years of experience, Placzek Studios guides each project from concept through installation. Proposals are clear and detailed, including sketches, budgets, and timelines. Matthew remains directly involved throughout, ensuring that each element, artistic and structural, meets a high standard of quality and intent. Regular communication keeps the process transparent and responsive.



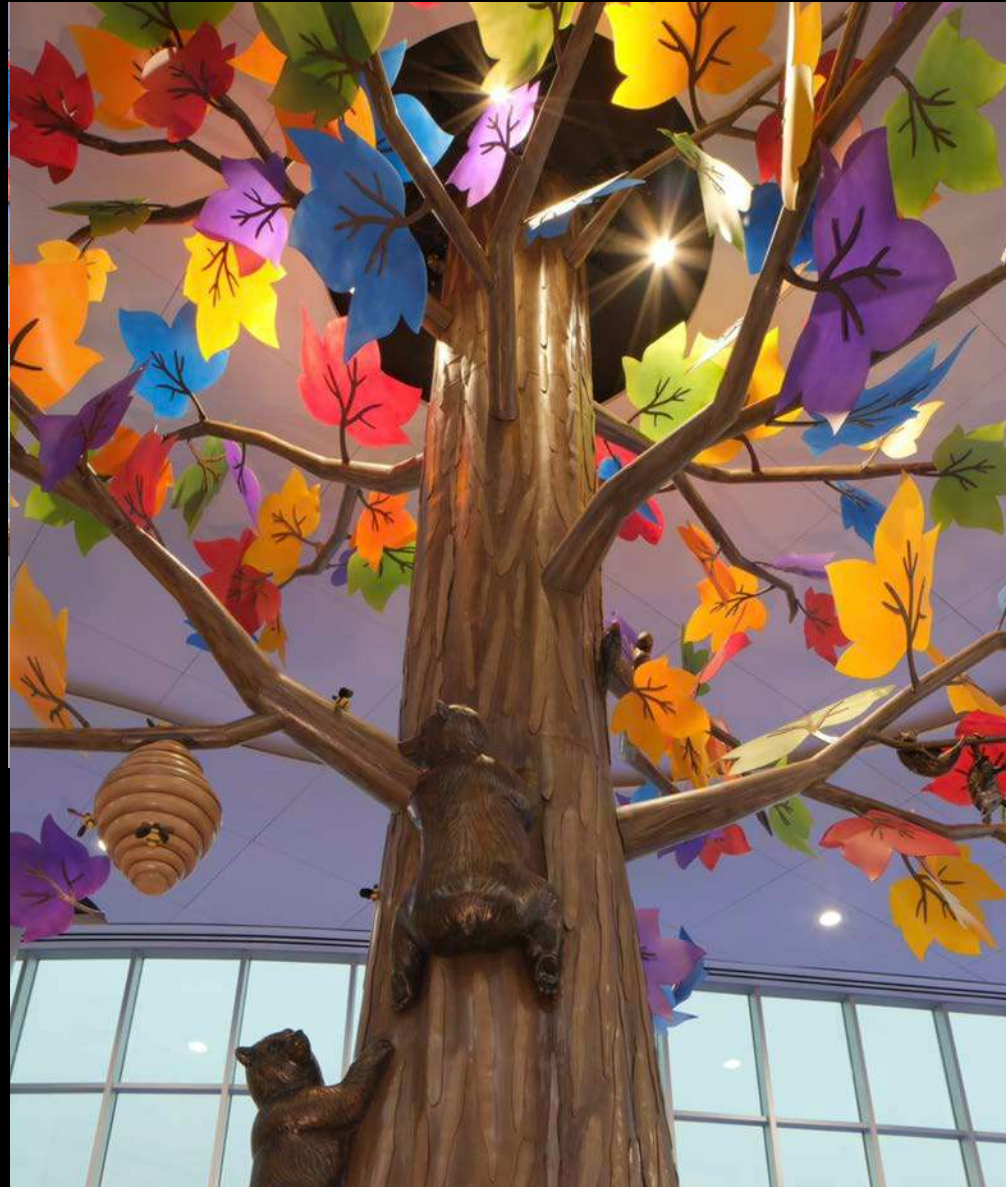
The work is supported by a team of architects, engineers, draftsmen, and installers, each selected for their skill and commitment. Together, they bring a shared precision to every phase of the build.

INSTALLATION

Placzek Studios operates on a foundation of experience, careful craftsmanship, and thoughtful collaboration—producing work that responds to its setting and reflects the people and purposes behind it.



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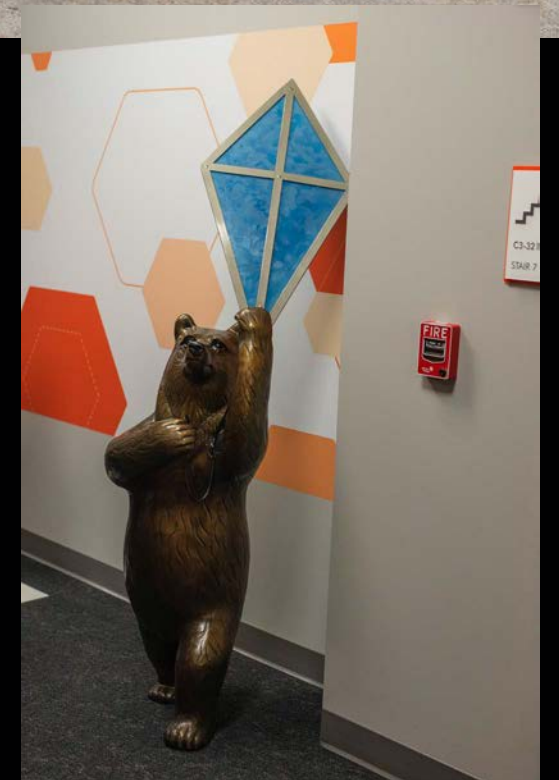
Location: Children's Nebraska – Omaha, Nebraska

Materials: Acrylic, Stainless Steel, Bronze

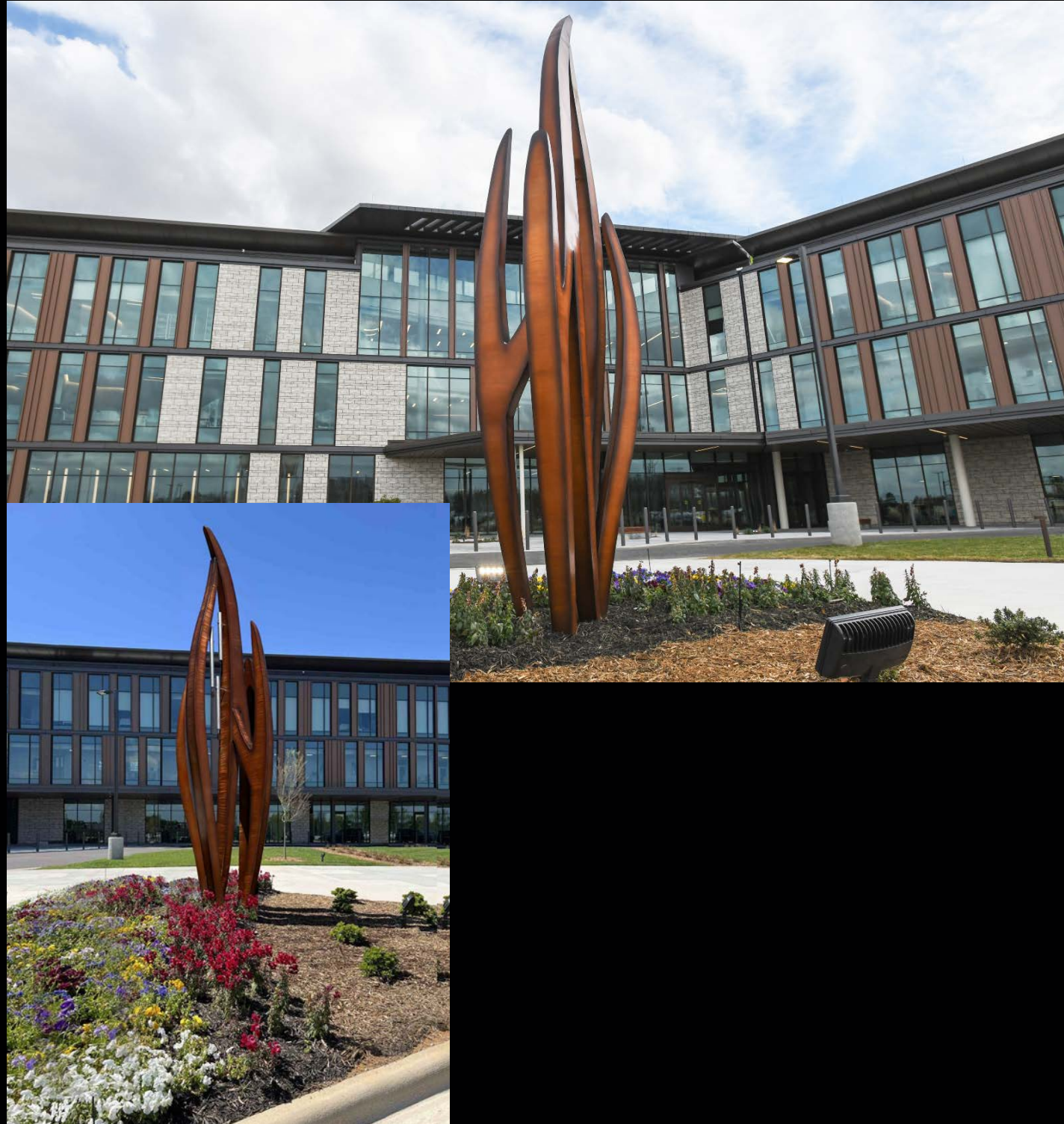
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B E A R C A N Y O N



A T R I U M C H I M E



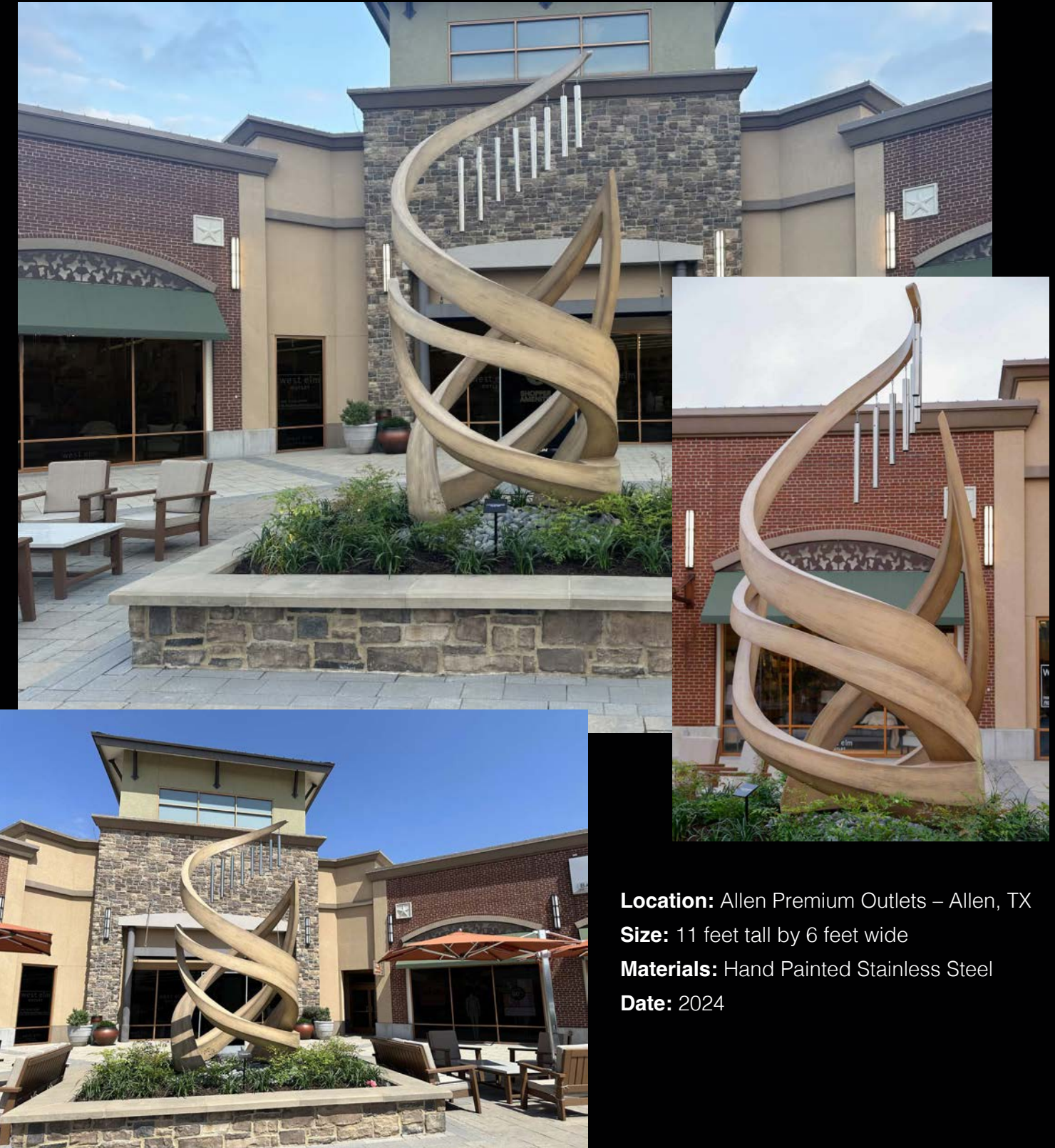
Location: Atrium West Healthcare – Charlotte, North Carolina

Size: 14 feet tall

Materials: Hand Painted Stainless Steel

Date: 2022

A L L E N C H I M E



Location: Allen Premium Outlets – Allen, TX

Size: 11 feet tall by 6 feet wide

Materials: Hand Painted Stainless Steel

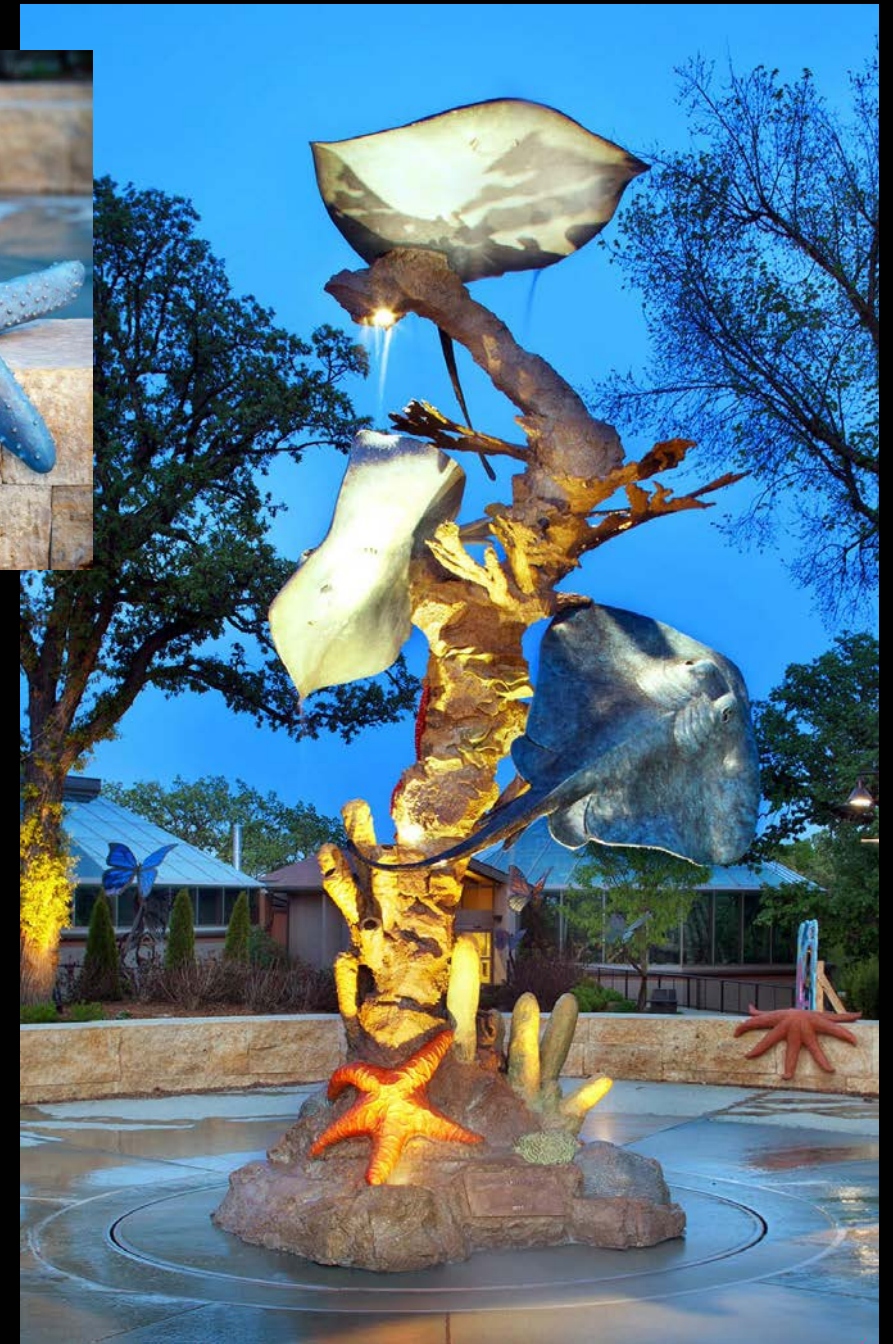
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MARSHLAND SYMPHONY



Location: Grand Island - Nebraska
Size: 14 feet tall by 40 feet wide
Materials: Hand Painted Metal and Acrylic
Date: 2023

AQUATIC RHAPSODY



Location: Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium - Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 12 feet tall
Materials: Painted Bronze
Date: 2012

CIRCLING



Location: Lackland Air Force Base
Ambulatory Surgical Center - San Antonio, Texas
Size: 18 feet tall
Materials: Painted Stainless Steel
Date: 2015

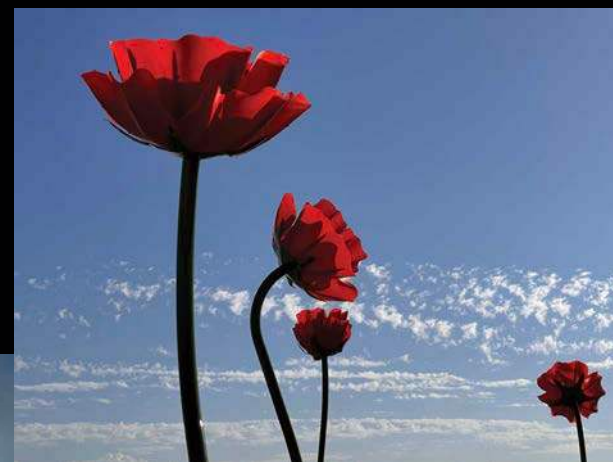
MAJESTIC FLIGHT



Location: Lackland Air Force Base
Ambulatory Surgical Center - San Antonio, Texas
Size: 18 feet tall
Materials: Stainless Steel and Bronze
Date: 2015

Y A N N E Y P O P P I E S

I C E B E A R S



Location: Yanney Heritage Park - Kearney, Nebraska
Size: 14 feet tall
Materials: Hand Painted Metal and Acrylic, LED Lighting
Date: 2023



Location: Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium – Omaha, Nebraska
Size: Life-Sized Polar Bears
Materials: Painted Bronze
Date: 2015

S O A R I N G



Location: Lackland Air Force Base
Ambulatory Surgical Center - San Antonio, Texas
Size: 36 feet tall
Materials: Stainless Steel
Date: 2015



D O U G L A S C O U N T Y C O U R T H O U S E



Location: Douglas County Courthouse -
Omaha, Nebraska
Materials: Hand Painted Metal
Date: 2023

CASCADING LEAVES



Location: Methodist Richardson Medical Center -
Richardson, Texas

Size: 12 feet tall by 110 feet wide

Materials: Painted Aluminum

Date: 2014

WINDSWEPT



Location: The Ridge Senior Living - Lakewood, Colorado

Size: 10 feet tall by 24 feet wide

Materials: Bronze

Date: 2020

WAVE WALL



Location: Houston Methodist Cypress Hospital - Houston, Texas

Size: 60 feet wide

Materials: Hand Painted Metal

Date: 2024

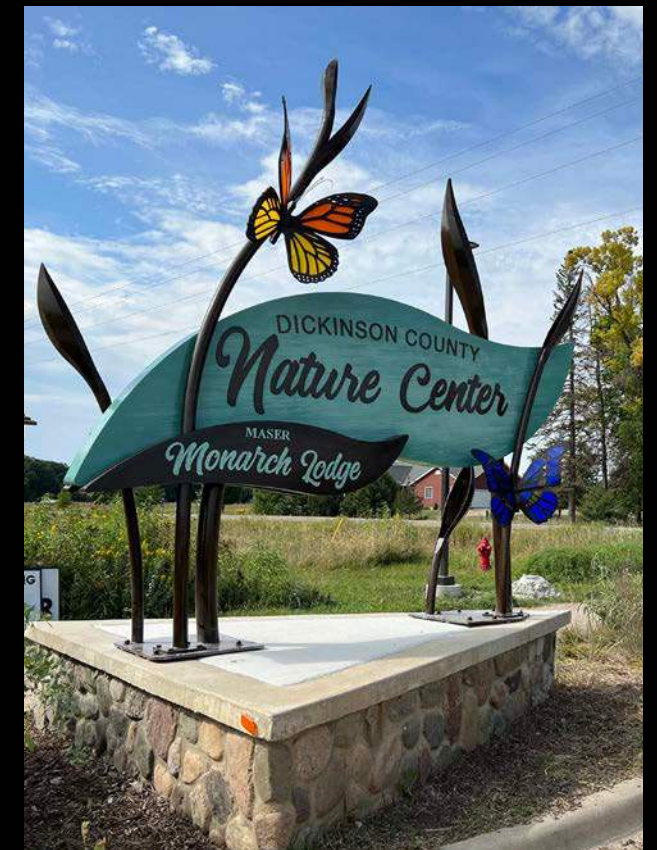
DICKINSON NATURE CENTER



Location: Dickinson Nature Center - Okoboji, Iowa

Materials: Hand Painted Stainless Steel and Acrylic

Date: 2022



BELLEVUE UNIVERSITY



Location: Bellevue University - Bellevue, Nebraska
Size: 16 feet tall by 16 feet wide
Materials: Hand Painted Metal and LED Lighting
Date: 2024

IMAGINATION TAKES FLIGHT



Location: Council Bluffs Public Library – Council Bluffs, Iowa
Size: 9 feet tall by 40 inches wide
Materials: Bronze
Date: 2012

UNIVERSITY NEBRASKA LINCOLN



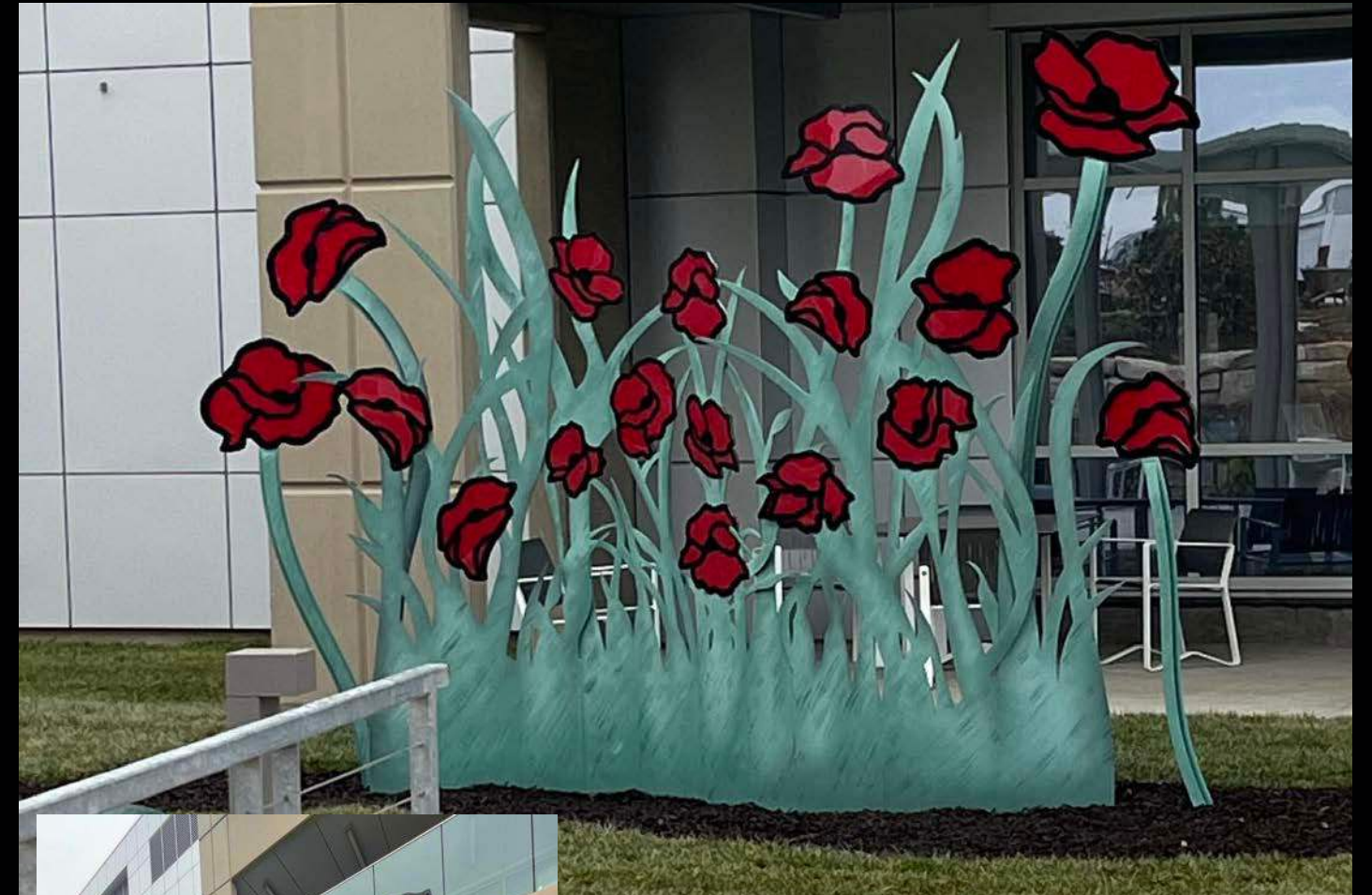
Location: University of Nebraska Lincoln Alumni Association - Lincoln, Nebraska
Size: 6 feet tall by 6 feet wide
Materials: Hand Painted Bronze
Date: 2020

L E A F A R B O R



Location: CHI St. Luke's Health – Springwoods Village Hospital - Spring, Texas
Size: 18 feet tall by 25 feet wide
Materials: Painted Aluminum
Date: 2015

V A L O R



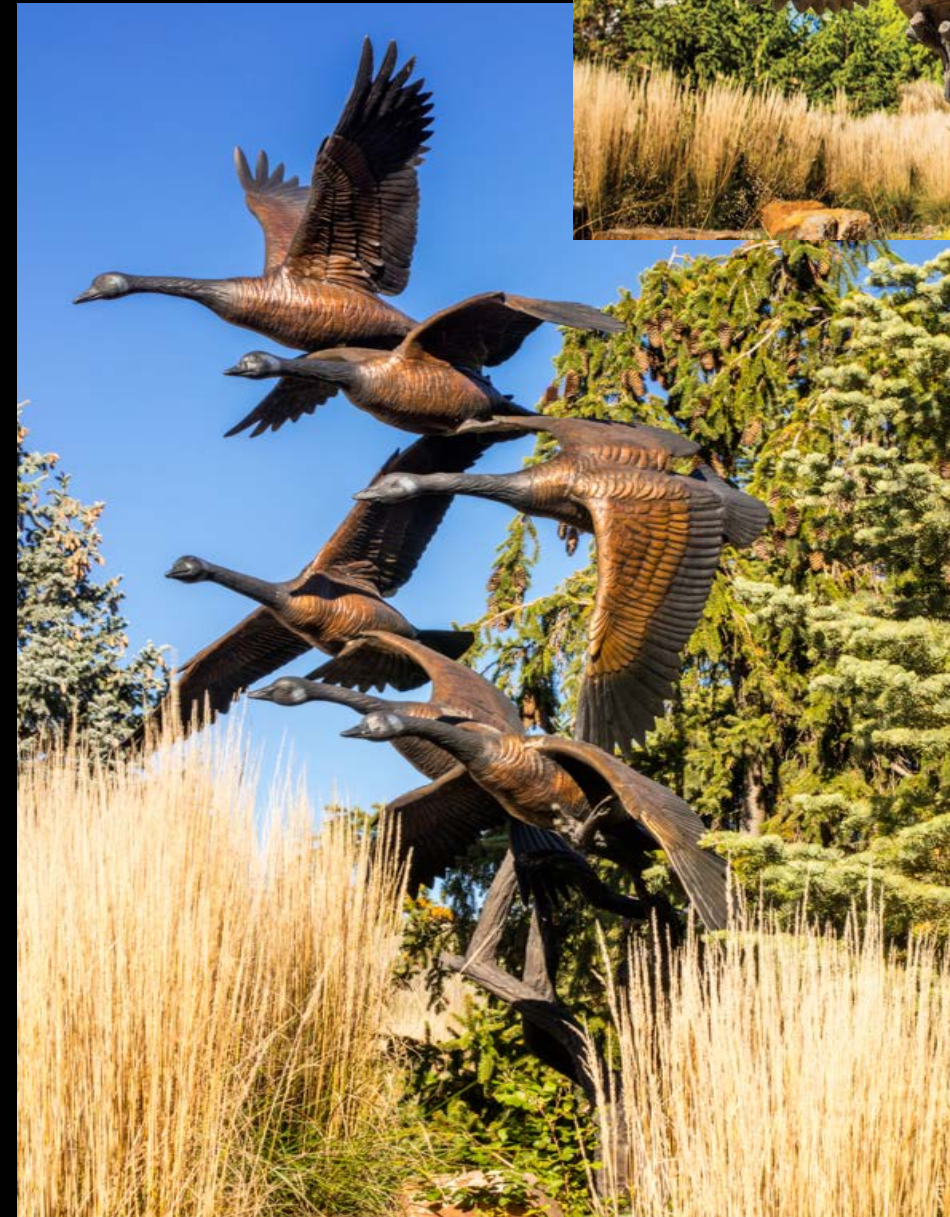
Location: Omaha VA Medical Center - Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 10 feet tall by 12 feet wide
Materials: Hand Painted Metal and Acrylic
Date: 2023

SCOTT CAMPUS BOOK PAGES



Location: Scott Campus - University Nebraska Omaha - Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 9 feet tall by 42 feet wide
Materials: Bronze
Date: 2012

TRANQUIL ARRIVAL



Location: Private
Size: 16 feet tall by 15 feet wide
Materials: Bronze
Date: 2016

INSPIRATION GARDEN



Location: Beaumont Hospital - Dearborn, Michigan
Butterfly Screens: 9 feet tall by 80 feet wide
Butterfly Spire: 14 feet tall by 5 feet wide
Materials: Hand Painted Metal and Acrylic
Date: 2022



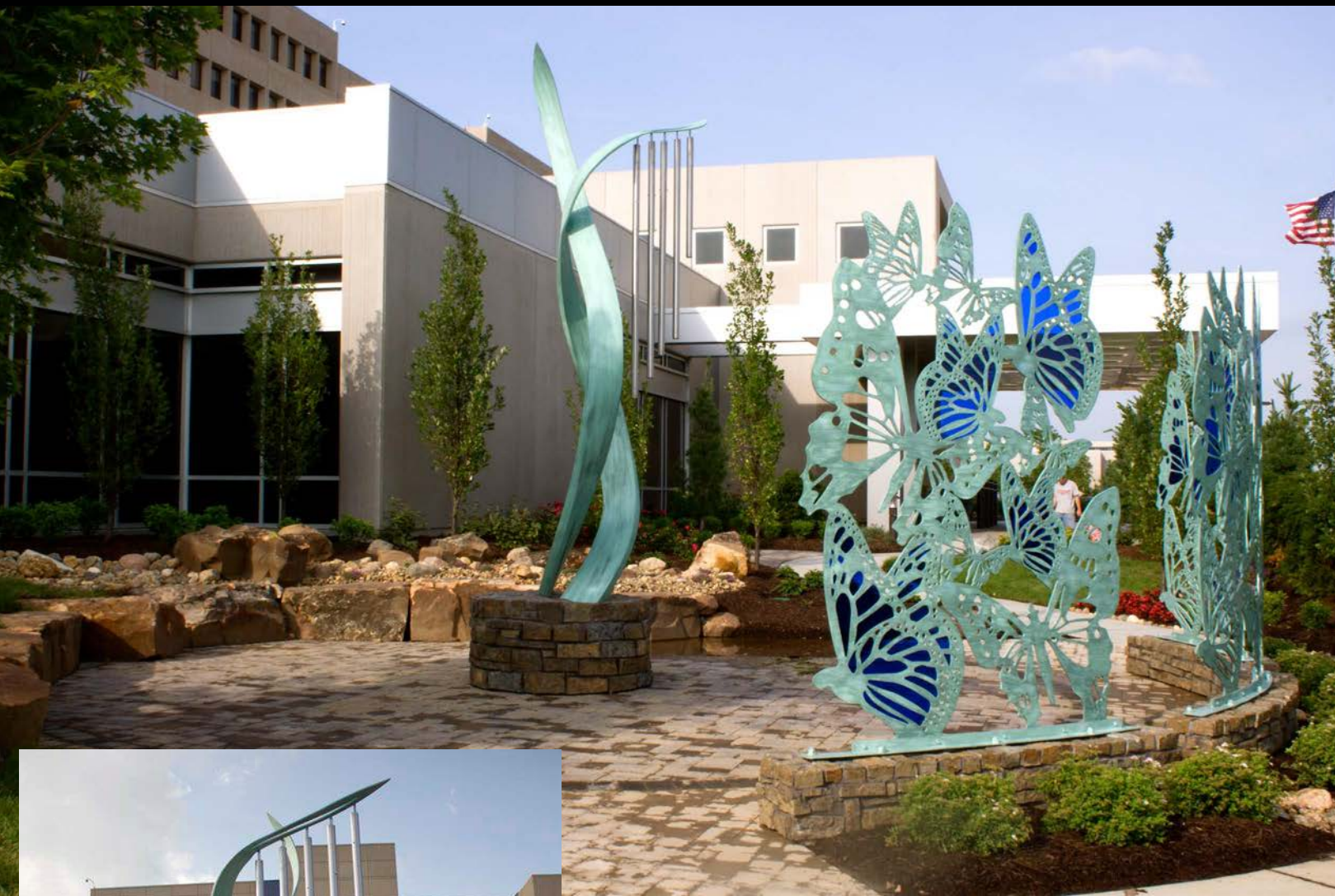
PINWHEELS



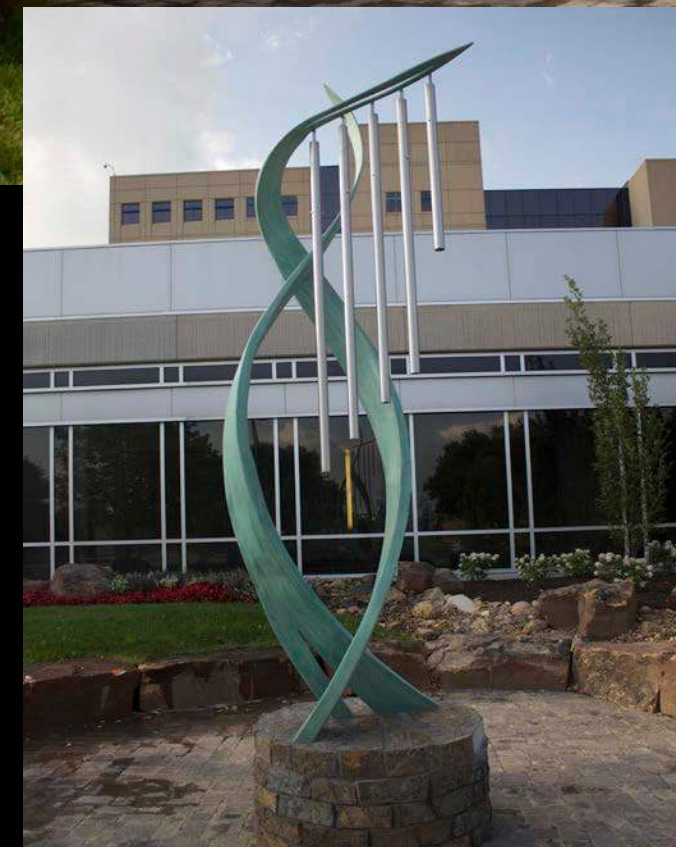
Location: Dayton Children's Hospital - Dayton, Ohio
Size: Pinwheels- 14 feet – 16 feet-tall by 5 feet – 7 feet-wide
Materials: Stainless Steel, Acrylic and LED Lighting



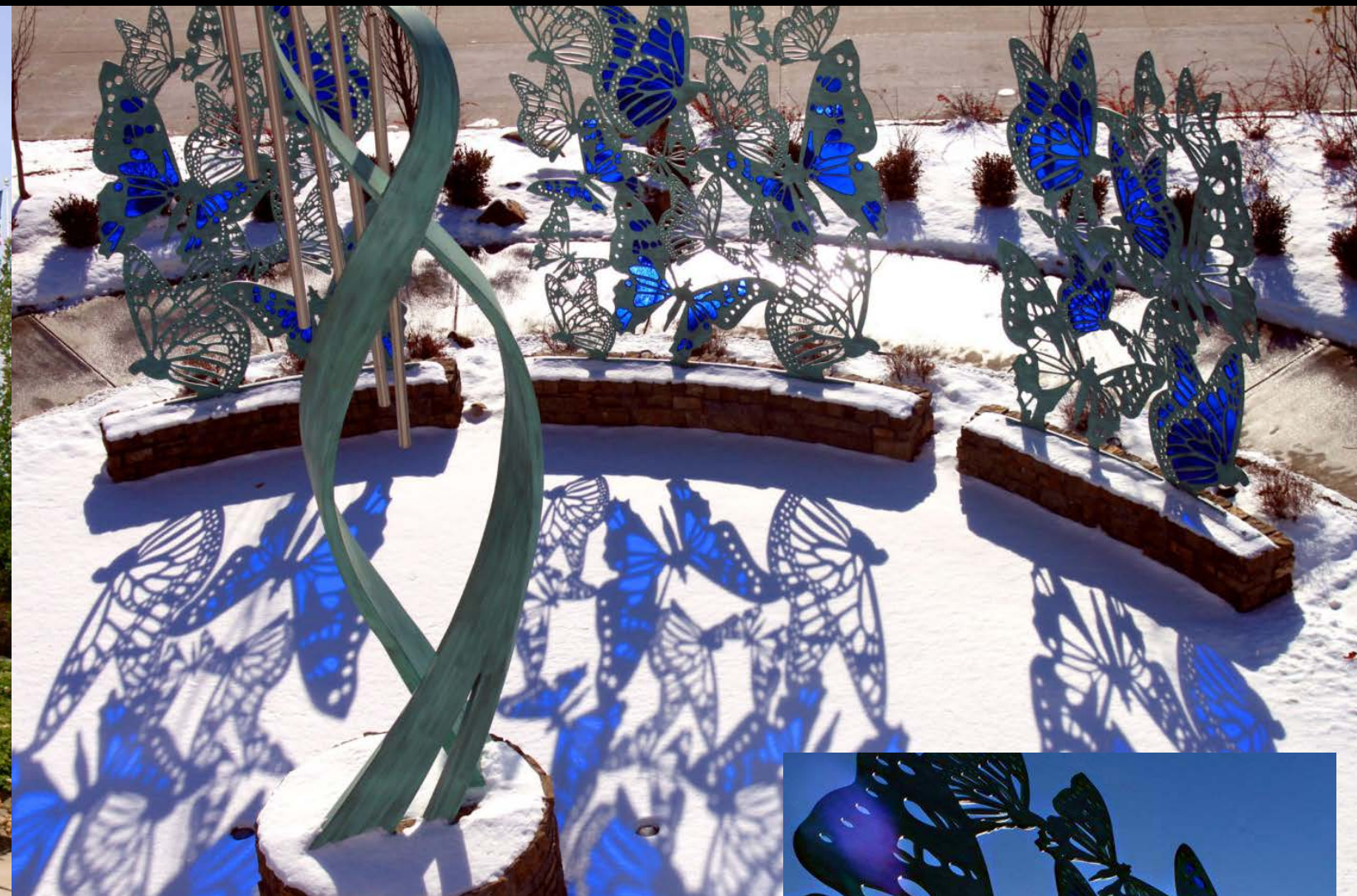
HARMONY CHIME



Location: Immanuel Medical Center – Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 14 feet tall
Materials: Stainless Steel
Date: 2013



HARMONY SCREEN



Location: Immanuel Medical Center - Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 8 feet tall by 20 feet wide
Materials: Stainless Steel and Acrylic
Date: 2013



S P E L L B O U N D



Location: Private Collection

Size: 12 feet tall

Materials: Bronze

Date: 2010

C H E R I S H E D



Location: Private Collection

Size: 6 feet tall

Materials: Bronze

Date: 2010

BUTTERFLY SCULPTURES

TRANSCENDING



Location: Private Collection

Size: 9 feet tall

Materials: Stainless Steel and Acrylic

METAMORPHOSIS



Location: Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium –
Butterfly Pavilion – Omaha, Nebraska

Size: 18 feet tall

Materials: Stainless Steel and Acrylic

TRANQUILITY



Location: Private Collection

Size: 14 feet tall

Materials: Stainless Steel and Acrylic

CASA ROMANTICA



Location: Private Collection

Size: 14 feet tall

Materials: Stainless Steel
and Acrylic

PARK NICOLETTE



Location: Private Collection

Size: 14 feet tall

Materials: Stainless Steel and Acrylic

C Q U E N C E V E S S E L S



Location: Cquence Medical Supply - Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 10 feet tall by 4 feet wide
Materials: Hand Painted Metal
Date: 2024

S E R E N E



Location: Martin Army Community Hospital - Fort Benning, Georgia
Size: 16 feet tall by 120 feet wide
Materials: Painted Aluminum
Date: 2014

I M A G I N E

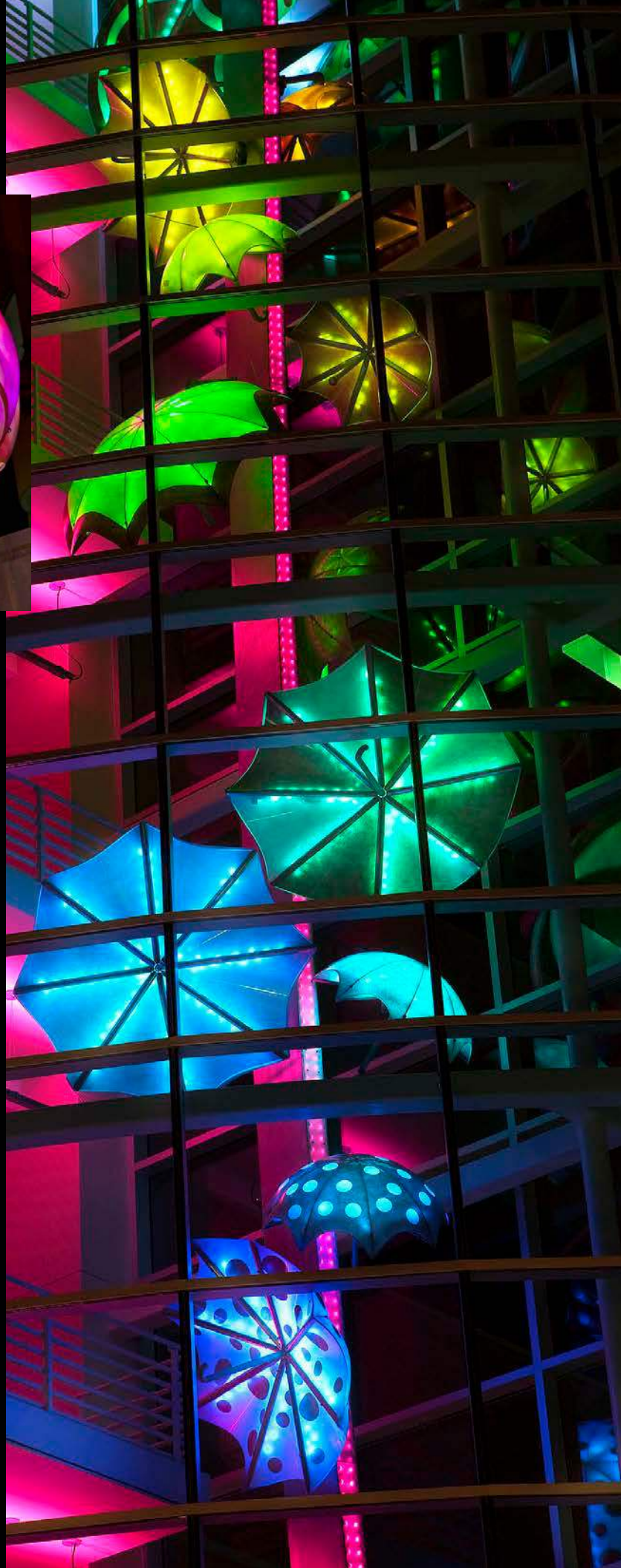


Location: Children's Nebraska -
Omaha, Nebraska

Size: 90 feet tall

Materials: Stainless Steel, Bronze,
Polycarbonate and LED Lighting

Date: 2010



S P I R I T



Location: The Children's Hospital at the University of Oklahoma Medical Center - Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Size: 18 feet tall by 25 feet wide

Materials: Stainless Steel, Bronze, Acrylic and LED Lighting

Date: 2014



O R M O N D M U S E U M



Location: Ormond Memorial Art Museum & Gardens – Ormond Beach, Florida

Size: 10 feet tall by 15 feet wide

Materials: Stainless Steel, LED lighting, and Acrylic

Date: 2022

C R A N E S



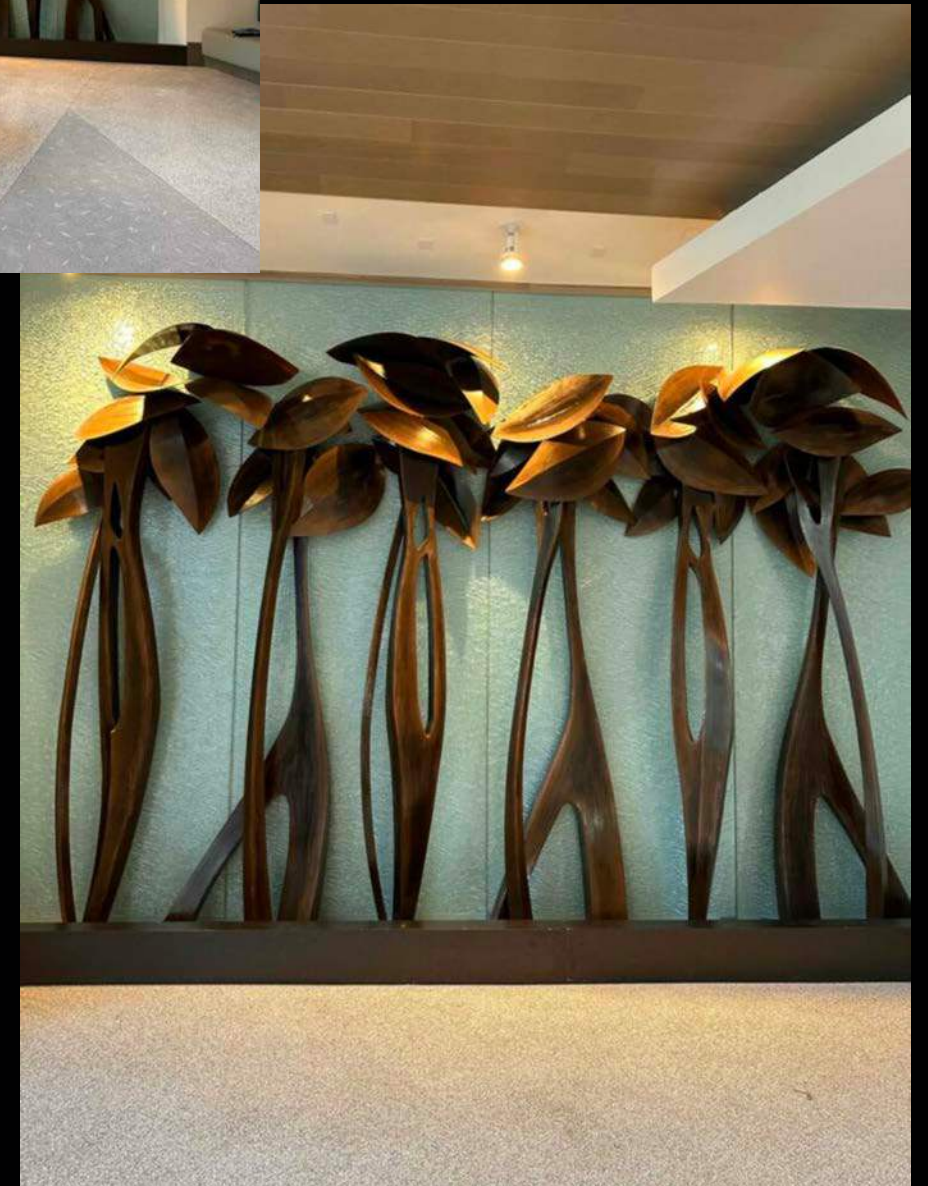
Location: Private Collection
Size: 6 feet tall
Materials: Bronze
Date: 2022



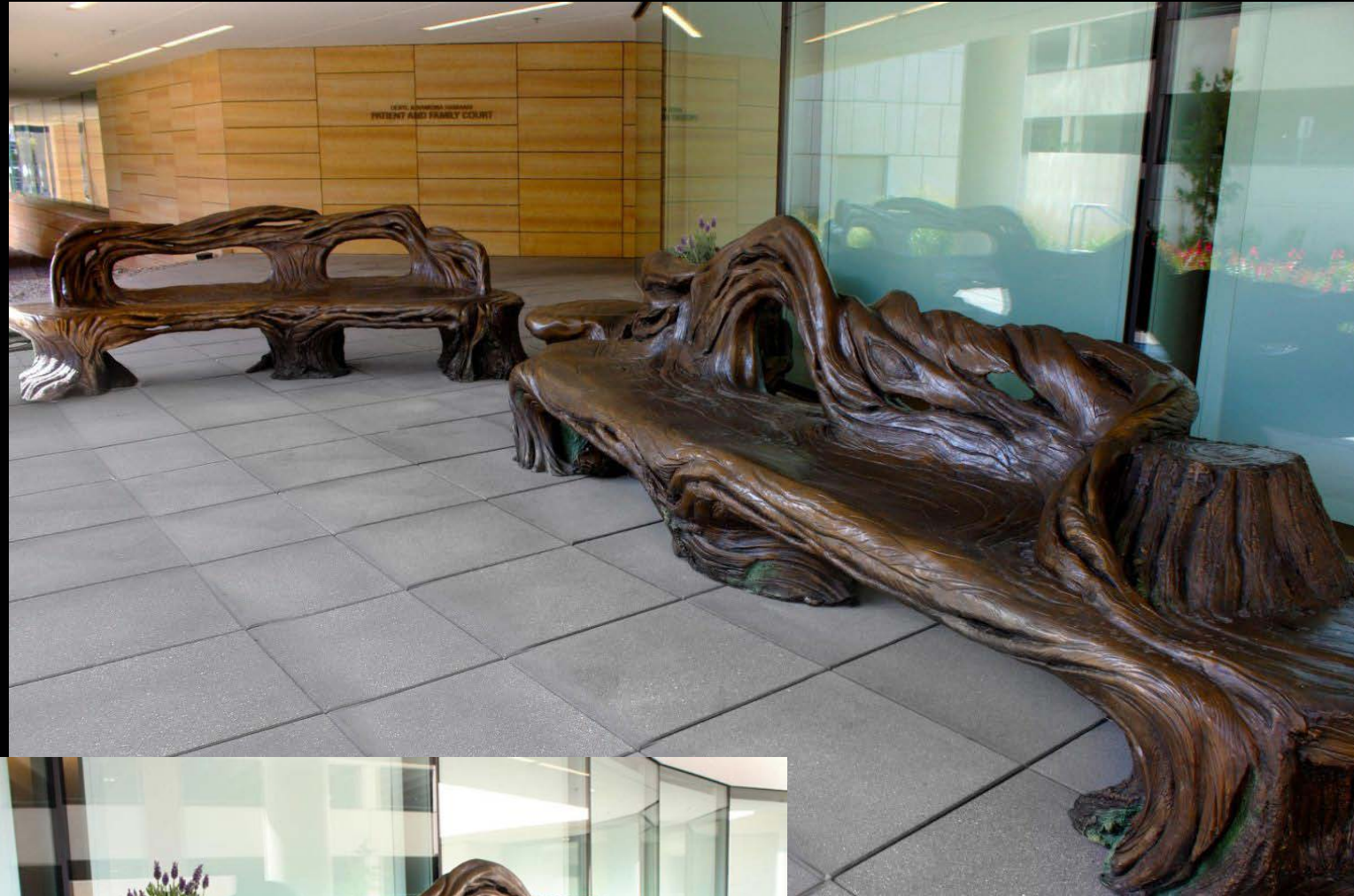
M A N G R O V E S



Location: Sunseeker Resort –
Charlotte Harbor, Florida
Size: 10 feet tall by 19 feet wide
Materials: Hand Painted Metal
Date: 2023



W O O D L A N D



Location: Fred and Pamela Buffett Cancer Center – Omaha, Nebraska
Size: small bench- 12 feet long, large bench-16 feet long, planter- 40 inches tall by 50 inches wide
Materials: Bronze
Date: 2018

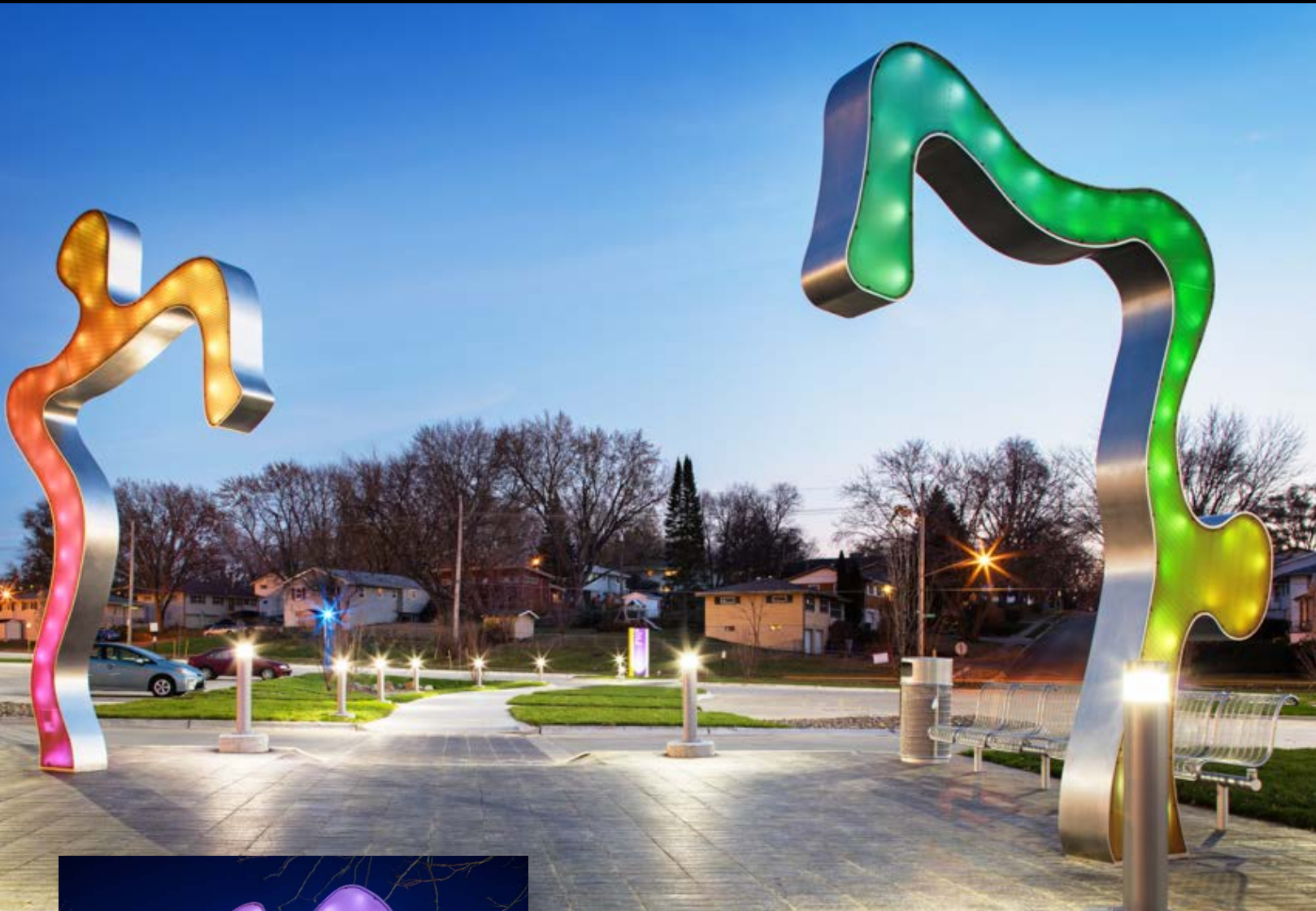
R E F L E C T I O N



Location: Fred and Pamela Buffett Cancer Center – Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 40 feet high by 140 feet wide
Materials: Hand Painted Metal
Date: 2020



C O N N E C T I O N S



Location: Bellevue University – Bellevue, Nebraska
Size: 20 feet tall by 60 feet wide
Materials: Stainless Steel, Polycarbonate, Bronze and LED Lighting
Date: 2015

C A N Y O N R E F L E C T I O N



Location: Kirtland AFB 377th MDG Clinic – Albuquerque, New Mexico
Size: 45 feet-tall by 20 feet wide
Materials: Acrylic, Stainless Steel
Date: 2018

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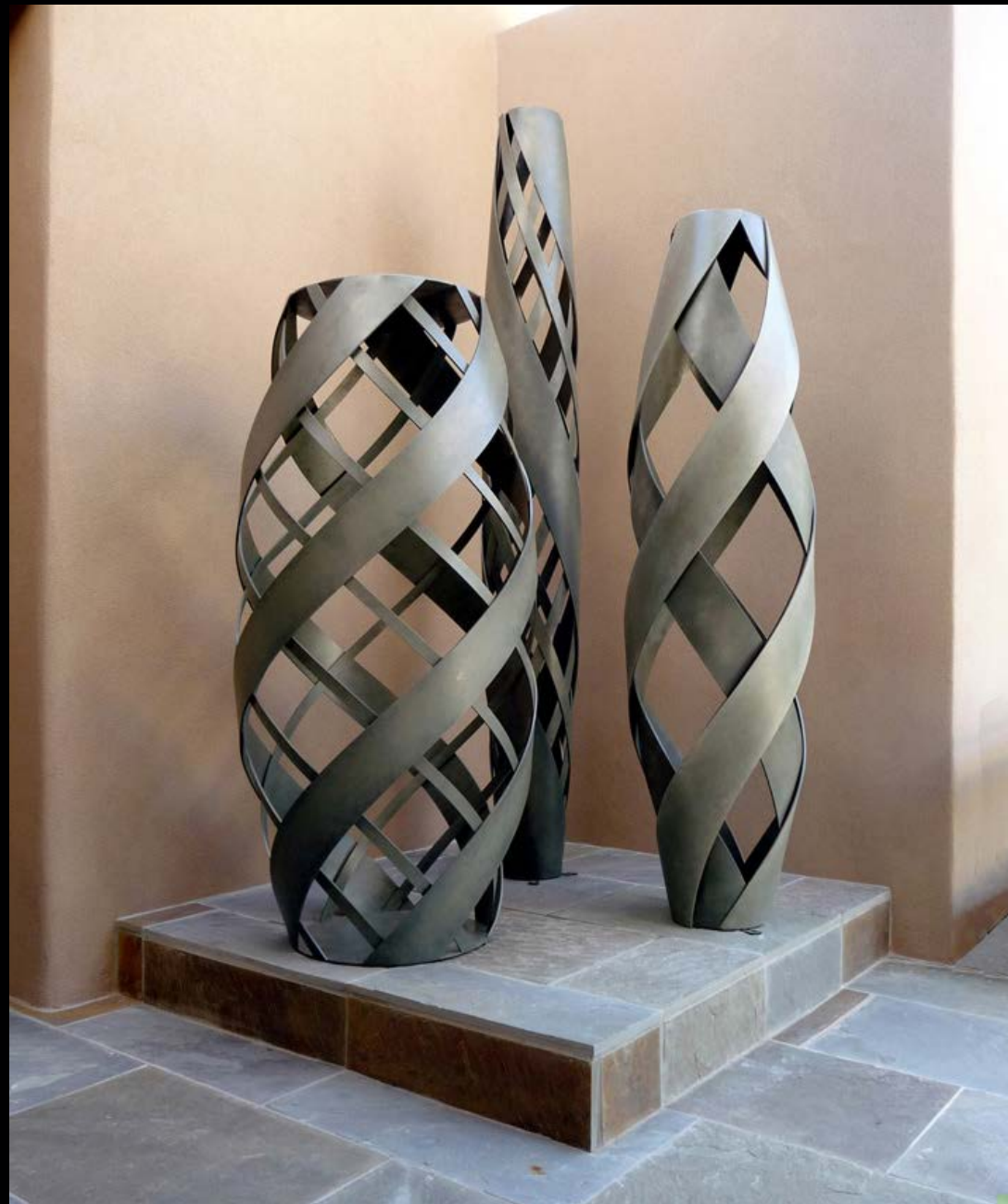
Location: Fred and Pamela Buffett
Cancer Center – Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 28 feet wide
Materials: Stainless Steel, Acrylic
and LED Lighting
Date: 2017

SPRING SONATA IRIS GARDEN



Location: Fred and Pamela Buffett
Cancer Center – Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 28 feet wide
Materials: Stainless Steel, Acrylic
and LED Lighting
Date: 2017

V E S S E L S



Location: Private Collection
Size: 9 feet tall by 4 feet wide
Materials: Painted Aluminum
Date: 2009

E N R A P T U R E D



Location: Private Collection
Size: 7 feet tall by 3 feet wide
Materials: Painted Aluminum
Date: 2012

ALASKAN ADVENTURE



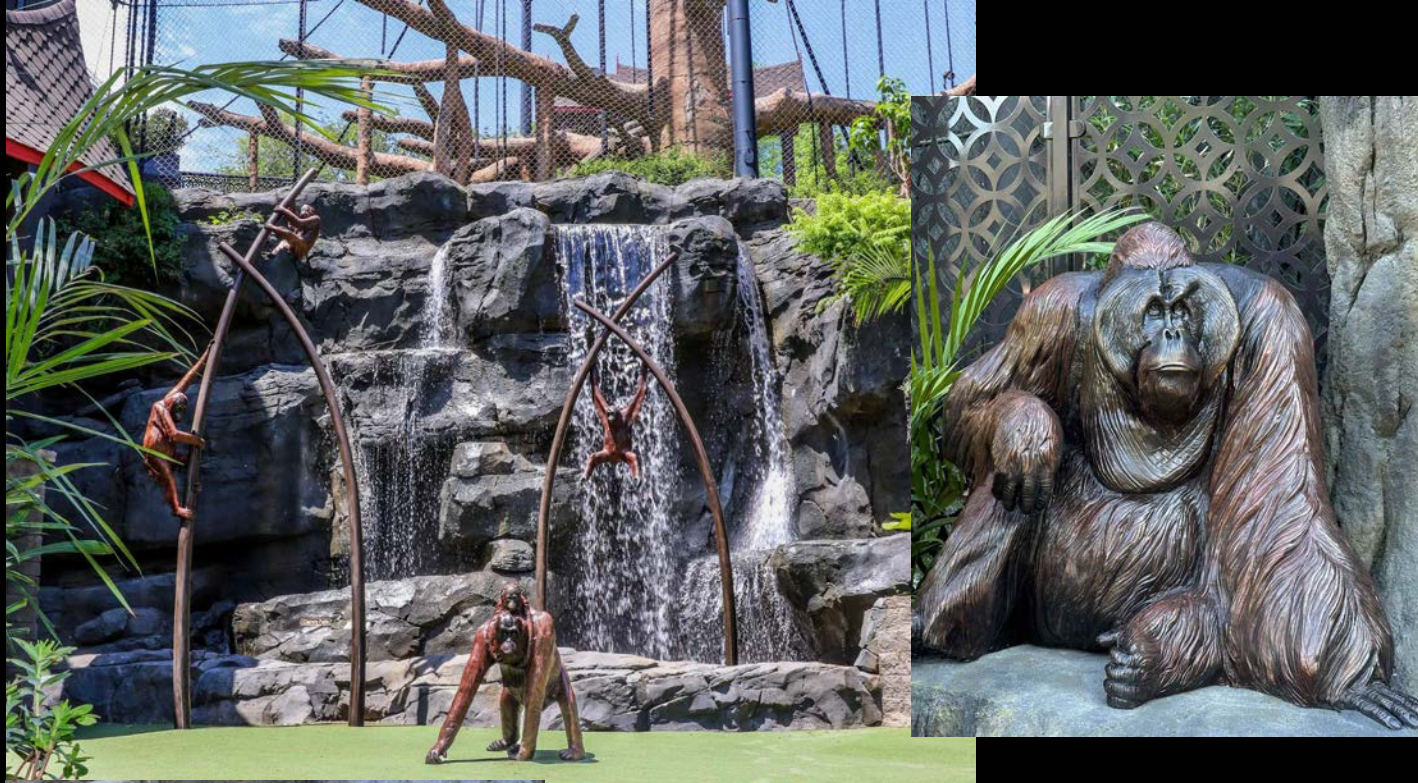
Location: Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium – Omaha, Nebraska

Size: 25 feet tall by 18,625 square feet total area

Materials: Painted and Patina Bronze

Date: 2016

ORANGUTANS



Location: Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium – Omaha, Nebraska
Size: Life-sized Orangutans
Materials: Bronze
Date: 2024

GORILLAS



Location: Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium – Omaha, Nebraska
Size: Life-sized Gorillas
Materials: Bronze
Date: 2021

N O O D L E S & D O O D L E S



Location: Joslyn Art Museum – Omaha, Nebraska

Size: 20 feet tall by 20 feet wide

Materials: Painted Aluminum

Date: 2009



L E A V E S W A T E R F E A T U R E



Location: Private Collection

Size: 15 feet tall by 50 feet wide

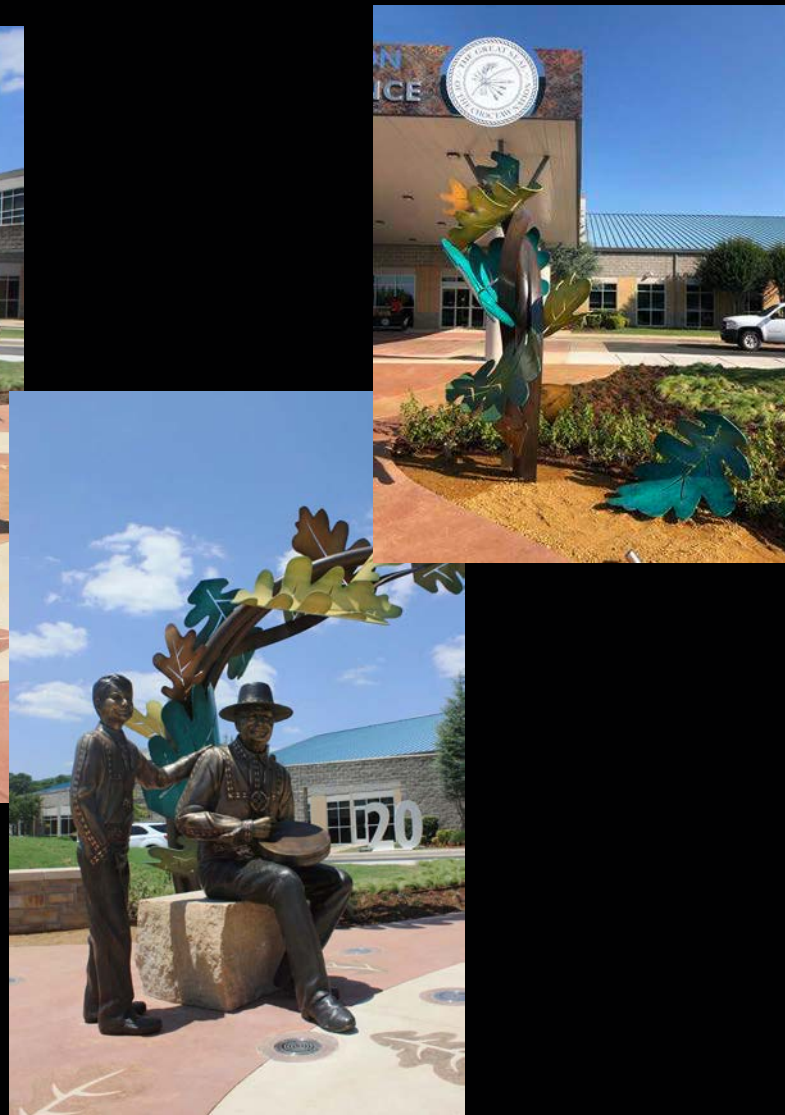
Materials: Painted Aluminum

Date: 2007

CHOC TAW F A M I L Y



Location: Choctaw Nation Healthcare Center – Talihiina, Oklahoma
Size: 60 feet wide by 16 feet tall
Materials: Bronze
Date: 2019

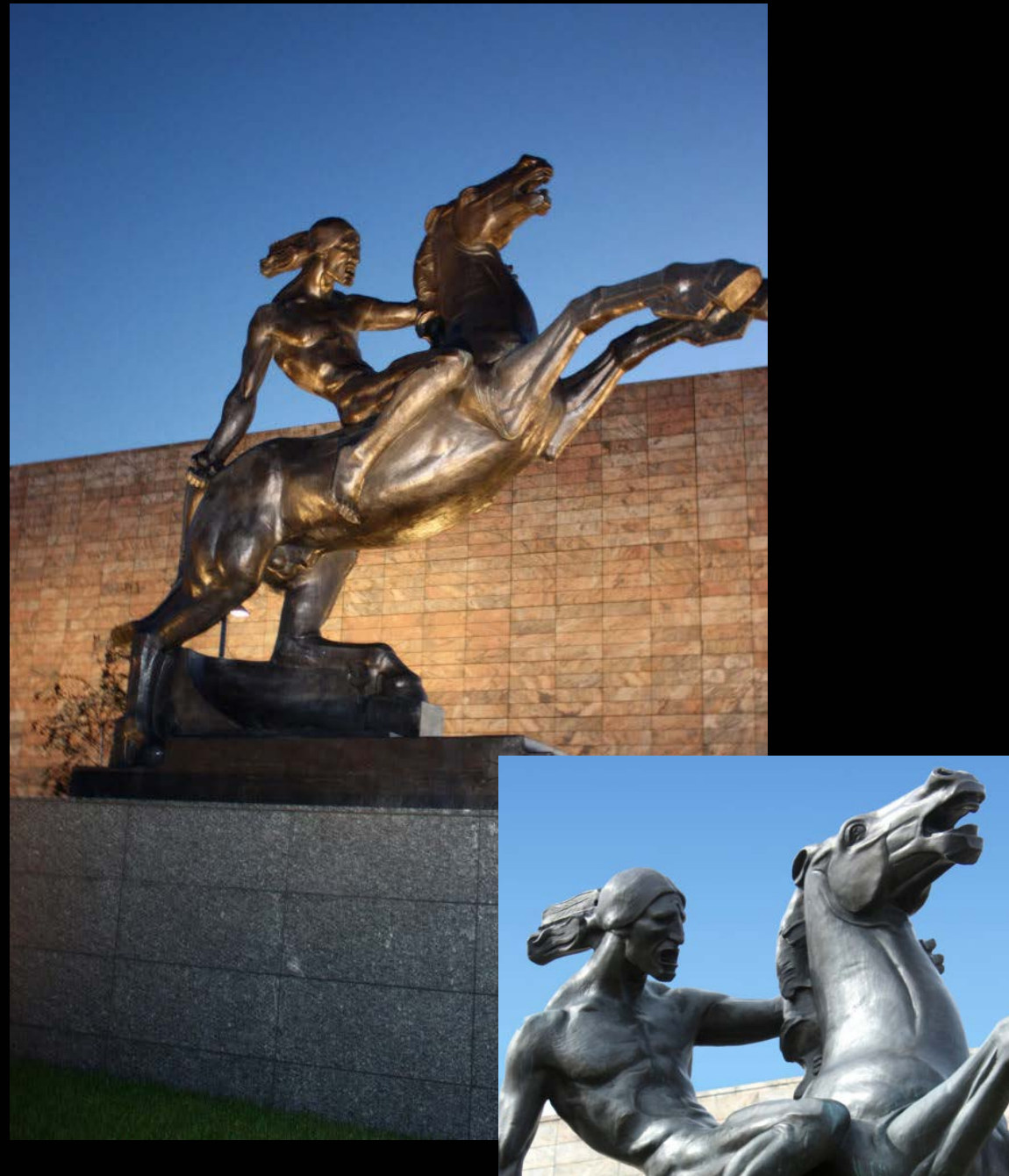


S E R E N I T Y



Location: Immanuel Medical Center - Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 15 feet tall by 15 feet wide
Materials: Bronze and Stainless Steel
Date: 2012

S I O U X W A R R I O R



Location: Joslyn Art Museum – Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 15 feet tall by 15 feet wide
Materials: Bronze
Date: 2009

T E A T A



Location: Private Collection
Size: 6 feet tall
Materials: Painted Bronze
Date: 2014

E N R I C H M E N T P A T H

T H E P R O T E C T O R



Location: Metropolitan Community College – Culinary Arts Institute – Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 16 feet tall
Materials: Stainless Steel and Acrylic
Date: 2009



Location: Lewis & Clark Landing – Omaha, Nebraska
Size: 8 feet tall
Materials: Painted Bronze
Date: 2009

KNEELING SOLDIER



Location: Nebraska Veterans Cemetary – Grand Island, Nebraska

Size: 4 feet tall by 3 feet wide

Materials: Bronze

Date: 2025

AIRBORNE MONUMENT



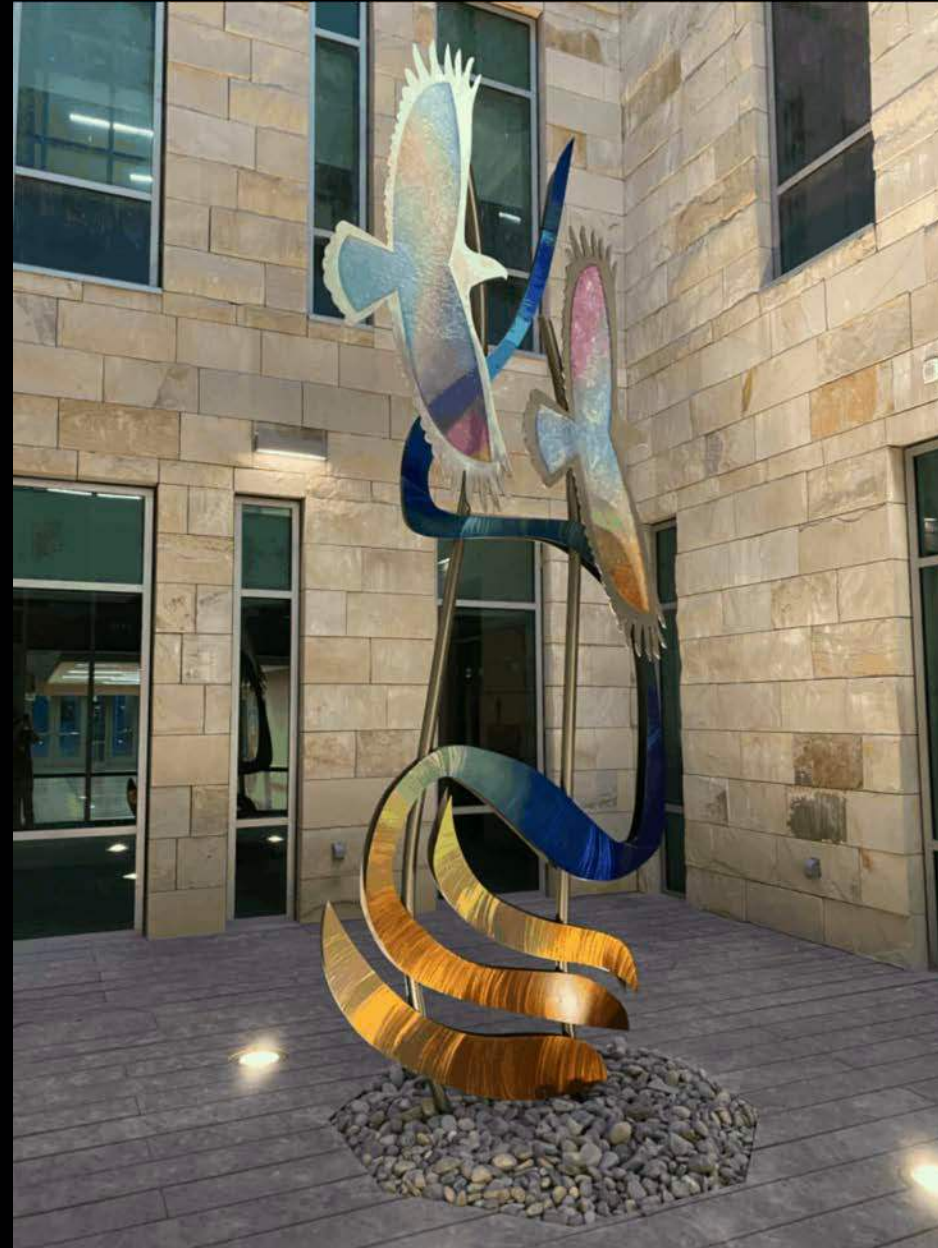
Location: Memorial Park – Omaha, Nebraska

Size: 7 feet tall by 5 feet wide

Materials: Bronze

Date: 2007

H O N O R F L I G H T



Location: Fort Bliss Medical Center in El Paso, Texas

Size: 6 feet wide by 14 feet tall

Materials: Acrylic and Steel

Date: 2020

P O S I T I V E T O M O R R O W



Location: Positive Tomorrows and ReMerge – Oklahoma City, OK

Size: 7 feet wide by 14 feet tall

Materials: Stainless Steel

Date: 2019

S P A R T A N



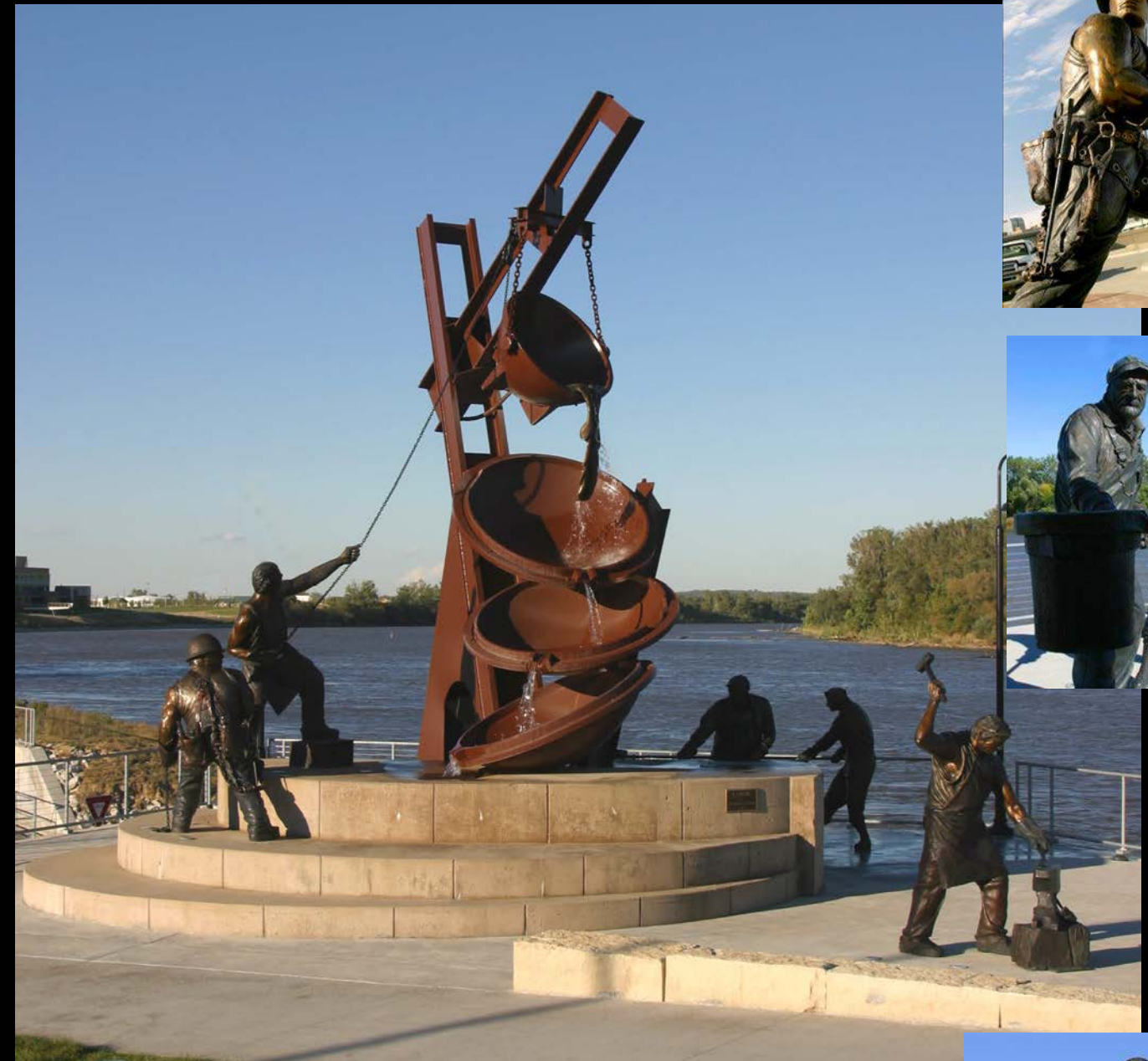
Location: Aurora University – Aurora, Illinois

Size: 8 feet tall

Materials: Painted Bronze

Date: 2014

L A B O R M O N U M E N T



Location: Omaha Riverfront – Omaha, Nebraska

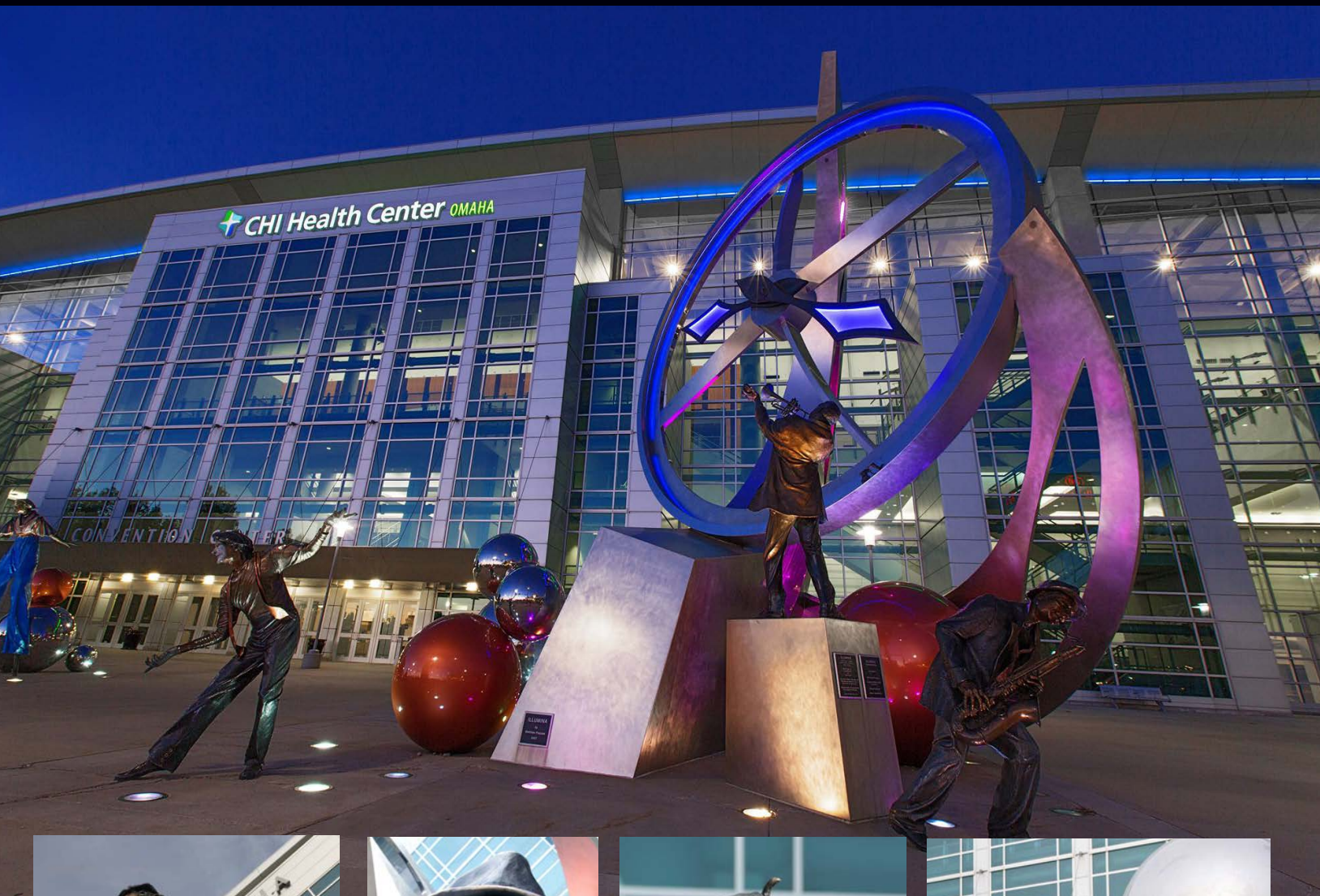
Size: 30 feet tall by 40 feet wide

Materials: Stainless Steel, Bronze and Halogen Lighting

Date: 2003



I L L U M I N A



Location: CenturyLink Convention Center and Arena – Omaha, Nebraska

Size: 35 feet tall by 100 feet wide

Materials: Stainless Steel, Bronze, Acrylic and LED Lighting

Date: 2007



An artist for more than three decades, Matthew Placzek’s sculpture installations have transformed environments from Hospitals, Senior Living Facilities, Corporate Offices, and Public Spaces. No matter the size, his work is inspiring, moving and unforgettable.

Born in Nebraska, Matthew entered the world of sculpting at age 14, creating figures of wildfowl and nature he observed near the Platte River. Art shows and competitions followed, and as his visibility increased, his unique style was lauded by many in the art world.

While attending Hastings College and Creighton University, he was represented by several art galleries around the country. At the age of 22, Matthew was honored by the U.S. Ambassador to Czechoslovakia, who hosted the artist’s one-man show at the American Embassy in Prague. That same year, he had the honor of presenting an original sculpture of an American bald eagle to President Ronald Reagan.

Shortly after creating his first large-scale commission in 1991, Matthew found himself catapulted into the world of municipal and private sculptural art projects. Universities, healthcare centers and corporations came calling, and he welcomed the opportunities to transform their open spaces with stunning works of art.

Matthew’s fascination with sculptural composition has evolved into an art form that is both meticulous in detail and free-flowing in design. His focus, once on monumental work, now includes large, multi-faceted sculptural installations; his most recent project features eighty bronze sculptures. In many cities, these pieces have become landmarks that have received widespread acclaim in numerous national art and architectural publications.

Making a personal connection between his art and the viewer is essential to Matthew. Through his sculptures, he hopes to evoke an emotional reaction – whether reflective or joyful. Each intricately-detailed piece offers an engaging, interactive experience, inviting viewers to walk around it, feel the different textures, and examine how shadows, layers and movement are created.

To date, Matthew’s pieces are included in over 200 hospital, university and corporate collections. With exciting projects always in the works, this artist promises many years of adding beauty to the world and dazzling audiences along the way.

To learn more about Matthew Placzek and his unique monumental sculptures, please visit: **PlaczekStudios.com**



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