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2014 Art on the River Sculptures Chosen, Opening Announced

DUBUQUE, Iowa – The City of Dubuque announces the selection of 11 works of outdoor sculpture for the 2014 Art on the River Exhibition. The temporary public art exhibit drew 83 entries from 53 artists from 20 states in 2014, its ninth year.

The works will be installed in front of the Grand River Center and along the Mississippi Riverwalk at the Port of Dubuque this month, with an opening event set for Thursday, June 19, at 5 p.m. at the Grand River Center. The event is free and open to the public.

The following sculptures were chosen for this highly competitive exhibit through a blind judging process:

- “Break Away,” by Beth Nybeck, Kansas City, Mo., is a stainless steel sculpture that explores the rush and confusion that comes when one dares to run.
- “At the Water’s Edge,” by Zachary Bowman, Ankeny, Iowa, is a combination stainless and mild steel sculpture that explores the relationship between land and water.
- “Fly Away Home,” by Andrew Arvanetes, DeKalb, Ill., is the third stainless steel sculpture Arvanetes has exhibited as part of Art on the River.
- “Whirlette,” by Bounnak Thammavong, Swisher, Iowa, combines steel and automotive paint to suggest the seed of a maple tree in the wind.
- “In Between Sometimes,” by Jason Scott, Prairie DuSac, Wis., explores the intersection of mechanical and organic systems.
- “Portal for the Agrarian,” by Greg Mueller, Spartanburg, S.C., pays homage to the Corn Belt work ethic of agriculture and industry.

- “Currently Bronze Anvil,” Peter Flanary, Mineral Point, Wis., is a cast bronze sculpture that sits on a concrete base.
- “Zodiac Totem I,” by Pokey Park, Tuscon, Ariz., depicts four of the 12 animals associated with zodiac years.
- Time Warp, by Tommy Riefe, Davenport, Iowa, challenges observers to experience and reimagine the space around them.
- Journey, by Zach Schnock, Cedar Falls, Iowa, accentuates multiple facets of Iowa’s landscape and relates them to one’s own life journey.

The jury also recommended that artist Jeff Boshart’s work, “Interstellar Naught,” which won Best in Show in the 2013 Art on the River Exhibition, be included once again in the 2014 exhibition. A panel of three credentialed jurors reviewed the artist applications and made a recommendation to the commission and the city council on the selection of artwork.

Jurors for the 2014-2015 exhibit were:

- Darrell Taylor, intermedia artist and director of the University of Northern Iowa Gallery Of Art in Cedar Falls, Iowa
- Rebecca Ekstrand, site-specific public sculpture artist based in Des Moines, Iowa
- Mark Wahlert, Dubuque Museum of Art, Executive Director

All of the sculptures are for sale and can be installed in both indoor and outdoor areas. The Art on the River exhibit is free, can be viewed sunrise to sunset year-round, and is accessible.

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