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Liberty Arts Foundation Donates Sculpture to City's Public Art Collection

LIBERTY, Mo - The Liberty Arts Foundation, a private, non-profit organization, recently purchased the sculpture *Tangerine Daydream* and donated it to the City of Liberty for display in its public art collection.

The sculpture was part of the Liberty Arts Commission's annual Rotating Sculpture Program and was on display at the corner of North Water and Franklin streets for the past two years. Now, Liberty residents and visitors alike will be able to enjoy it any time at its permanent location in Bennett Park (located at the corner of Clayview Drive and Spruce Park Road in Liberty).

Tangerine Daydream is a towering structure made of stainless steel and stained glass and was created by Jaci Willis of Peoria, Illinois.

Liberty Arts Foundation Chairman, Bob Steinkamp, said "We are overjoyed to participate in the expansion of the public art works in Liberty and provide the funding for yet another sculpture to be added to the City's permanent collection."

Including this piece, the City of Liberty has acquired six sculptures from the Rotating Sculpture Program since its inception in 2017, which are now all located in parks and other public spaces throughout the City. One additional sculpture was purchased by the Liberty Public Schools Foundation and is on display at the Liberty High School Performing Arts Center.

The Rotating Sculpture Program is coordinated by the Liberty Arts Commission to encourage and support interest in the arts. "One of the goals of the Rotating Sculpture Program is to bring a variety of art to Liberty and to build a robust permanent art collection," said Shane Immelt, Chairman of the Liberty Arts Commission. "With the generous donation of *Tangerine Daydream* we are one additional step closer to that vision."

The Liberty Arts Foundation is a private 501c3 formed and funded by the citizens of Liberty wishing to support and advance the arts in Liberty. The Foundation has commissioned public art, provided grants to arts organizations, and spearheaded special arts projects in Liberty. Connect with the Liberty Arts Foundation on Facebook » www.facebook.com/LibertyArtsFoundation

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