

THINK About It!

Thought-provoking questions for your Sculpture Park experience



Fletcher Benton, American b. 1931 Folded Circle Two Squares, 1980 Bronze Gift of the Class of 1955 and the Artist

How does the geometry of this work change as you move around it? How would you feel if the piece was five times larger or ten times smaller?



Don Lawler, American, b. 1961 Skeuomorph, 1994 Indiana limestone Commissioned by Mr. and Mrs. James H. Allen in memory of Orpha Webster, Professor Emerita (1927-61) 1994.65

Why do you suppose the artist has carved the stone as though it was a flexible material? Does it remind you of an everyday object?



Roy Cartwright, American, b. 1937 Two Rocks, Two Fish, 1996-97 Clay and slips Miami University purchase through the Robert B. Sinclair Memorial Art Acquisitions Fund

Cartwright wants his art to be enjoyed, to have interesting shapes and colors. Have you had experiences like the two fish?



Eugene Brown , American, b. 1926 A Tribe Named Miami, A Surveyor's Stake, A Town Named Oxford Cast bronze, pigment Commissioned by Miami University Art Museum; donated funds

The crane, loon and turtle are associated with Native American origin stories.
Where does the surveyor's stake fit in?
What about the seal of Miami University?



Mark di Suvero, American, b. Shanghai 1933 For Kepler, 1995 Painted steel Gift of Thomas W. Smith 1995.5

How does the artist make you aware of the materials he uses? Why do you suppose the work is titled For Kepler? What does it represent?



Richard Hunt, American, b. 1935 Hybrid Construction, 1983 Welded Cor-Ten steel Gift of Ms. Patricia Wenzel Wolf 1991.245

How does the use of Cor-Ten steel affect how you respond to this piece? Do the shapes have meaning for you?



Don Lawler, American, b. 1961 Spinozalith, 1994 Indiana limestone Commissioned by Mr. and Mrs. James H. Allen in honor of Robert B. Butler, Professor of Art (1952-83) 1994.64

The "Seat of Awareness" evokes ancient Greek forms and yet the surface remains unfinished. Is it comfortable to sit in? How was the piece made?



Nancy Holt, American, b. 1938 Star-Crossed, 1979-81 Earth, concrete, water, grass Gift of the School of Fine Arts (50th Anniversary), Interdisciplinary Studies, Department of Art and Architecture, Physical Facilities, Visual Arts Club, Alumni and Development Funds, Miami University Art Museum, Ohio Arts Council, Price Brothers Co., Antenen Construction Co., Sizemore Excavators, Walter A. Netsch and Nancy Holt. 1979.5.0.3

The phrase Star-Crossed is often used to refer to young lovers. Why do you think the title "star-crossed" was chosen for this work?



Barry Gunderson, American, b. 1945 Three Storms, 1993 Painted aluminum Miami University Art Museum purchase funded through the Thomas J. Emery Memorial Foundation 1993.54

Why did the artist use black and white? How do you feel when you sit in this piece?