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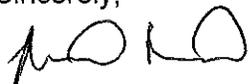
City of Columbia
Office of Cultural Affairs
PO Box 6015
Columbia, MO 65205

Dear Sarah,

We wish to donate the butterfly sculpture created by artist Stephen Feilbach to the City of Columbia to be displayed in Clary-Shy Community Park. The value of the sculpture is \$6,500. Please see the attached details with information on the proposal that was presented to the Commission on Cultural Affairs for their approval.

Thank you for your assistance through the Office of Cultural Affairs for our business to make this donation to the City of Columbia.

Sincerely,



Paul Land and Julaine Stiers

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Julaine Stiers
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Clary-Shy Community Park Sculpture

Butterfly Donation

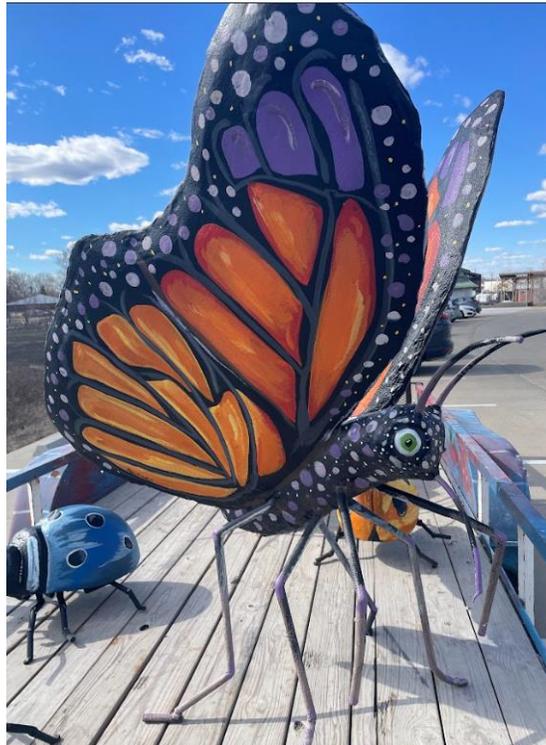
Summary

Clary-Shy Community Park is home to the Activity & Recreation Center (ARC), the MU Health Care Pavilion, utilized by the Columbia Farmers Market, and an agriculture park managed by the Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture (CCUA). The Columbia Parks and Recreation Department, in collaboration with CCUA, have proposed a series of insect sculptures to be integrated into the built environment of the park. The sculptures represent a variety of native insects as well as add artistic interest to the various buildings and structures throughout the park. The sculptures are designed and created by local artist, Stephen Feilbach.

The sculptures will come to the City of Columbia through its Accepting Gifts of Works of Art ordinance. The proposal for the ladybugs sculptures is below.

Artwork & Display Sites

Created by artist Stephen Feilbach, the sculpture represent a butterfly. It is all constructed out of metal, industrial foam, Line-X bed liner material and automotive paint. The value of the butterfly sculpture is \$6,500. Dimensions are as follows: 4' long, 3' wide, 5' tall



The entire collection of bug sculptures (praying mantis, bee, butterfly, and ladybugs) are proposed to be displayed at various locations throughout the park. All sculptures would be played up high on structures to protect them from interaction from the public, but still viewable for people to engage with.



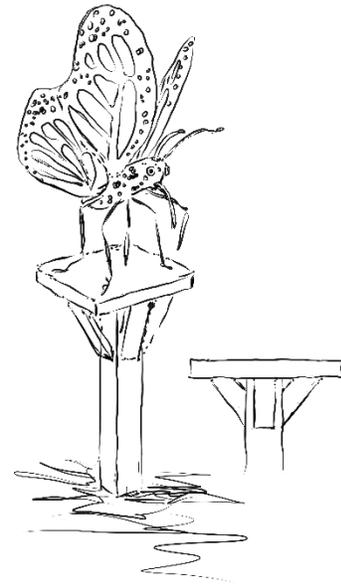
Overview of sculpture locations in park

Installation & Maintenance

The butterfly is proposed to be installed on a pedestal on the south side of the park. The Parks & Recreation Department will assist in creating the pedestal for the mounting of the butterfly, all with materials the City has available that are ready for use. A 3' deep sonotube footing will be installed with a 4-6' tall black square post that would anchor to the footing. A platform would be on top of the pillar, approximately 3' x 3', which would hold the butterfly mounted on top. The sculpture has loopholes in each of the feet that will allow it to be bolted to the platform.

Since the sculpture has been created from very durable materials, there is no annual maintenance required. The butterfly location in the park is very prominent, just off the path from the main parking lot leading into the various garden areas. The pedestal will be tall enough so that the public cannot climb on or physically interact with the sculpture, but it will be displayed in such a way that will allow for observation from many viewpoints.

Signage will also be installed next to the sculpture with recognition of the donors.



Installation location

About the Artist

Stephen Feilbach is a local artist who has created a variety of works that have been commissioned and installed in outdoor settings across the Midwest. The artist uses many different media and has a passion for creating a wide variety of large and small custom projects for clients. Examples of some of the project include “Howler” (right) created for Howler Bike Park near Branson,



Missouri; Bigfoot broke the bench in Lake Leatherwood, Arkansas; and several trail giant bugs, lighted turtles, and a tunnel camera in northwest Arkansas. The artist currently resides in Columbia and has shops in both Eureka Springs, Arkansas and Columbia, Missouri, where he creates Nature’s Giant Realism for people to enjoy.