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“As One” Public Art Dedication at Bob Bolen Public Safety Complex



Dedication Ceremony of “As One”

When: Thursday, November 15, 10:00 AM

Where: Bob Bolen Public Safety Complex, Administration Building Entrance Plaza, 505 West Felix Street, Fort Worth, TX 76115

Artist Talk by Beliz Brother

When: Thursday, November 15, 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Where: Administration Building Auditorium

Parking: Free visitor parking available in front of the building
Free and open to the public.

(Fort Worth, TX) – “As One”, a dramatic new sculpture by artist Beliz Brother, is the latest commissioned artwork to be added to the City of Fort Worth’s Public Art Collection. Located at the Bob Bolen Public Safety Complex in Council District 9, the sculpture is based on the shape of Fort Worth’s Police and Fire Department patches, with two halves intersecting and supporting each other, expressing solidarity between the departments.

Inside the large, curved forms, unique shapes of numerous patches collected by the Fort Worth Fire Department and Fort Worth Police Department are water-jet cut into 1” thick COR-TEN steel, creating

an overall pattern that creates intricate shadow play on the plaza at the entrance to the Administration Building.

The work is scaled to create a backdrop for graduates of the Fire and Police Departments training programs to take photographs and celebrate their accomplishments. The artwork is approximately 9 feet in height and 14 feet in length.

About the artist: Beliz Brother was selected through the Fort Worth Public Art program's to create an artwork that reflects the values of Police and Fire Departments' safety personnel and the communities they serve. Brother is an awarded artist with over twenty years' experience in public art. Known for engaging and thoughtful artworks that draw upon and reflect the experiences of different communities Brother's commissions include site specific and integrated projects for Seattle City Hall; site specific projects for the University of Texas San Antonio; The Tech Museum of Innovation, San Jose, CA; the Seattle Opera House, Seattle, WA and the Metro Transit program in St. Louis, MO, among many others. She has received a number of awards for her work, including a National Endowment for the Arts Visual Arts Grant and Americans for the Arts Public Art Network Best Public Artwork of 2009 Award. Beliz Brother lives in Seattle, WA.

For more information about this project, please contact Anne Allen, Public Art Project Manager, at 817.298.3028 (direct), aallen@fwpublicart.org.

About Fort Worth Public Art: Fort Worth Public Art is a City of Fort Worth program created to enhance the visual environment, commemorate the city's rich cultural and ethnic diversity, integrate artwork into the development of the City's capital infrastructure improvements, and to promote tourism and economic vitality. Managed by the Arts Council of Fort Worth, with oversight of the Fort Worth Art Commission, FWPA strives for artistic excellence and meaningful community involvement. For more information, please visit www.fwpublicart.org.

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