

The magic factand music

THE MAGIC OF ART AND MUSIC is a 16' tall sculpture environment designed by Michigan artist Robert L. Barnum celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Wheatland Music Festival. The goal is to have this substantial sculpture on site at the festival grounds before the 2023 festival opens in September. Be a part of the celebration of one of the most iconic and embracing music festivals in the US.



concept is designed to celebrate in metal the contagious personality of one of the most famous events in the mid-west - The Wheatland Music Organization Festival, which is held the weekend after Labor Day every year.

It is important to note that the stylized subject of this three-dimensional public statement embraces in creative terms the arts that inspire the better side of being human, which, in turn, represents a sort of implied energy. This sculpture will reflect the spirit of Wheatland's energy and an implied movement that will dance in the light of day or under starlit skies. Once realized in full scale the sculpture will not only entertain in minutes or hours, but also will stand for centuries as a symbol of the creative life and power that has deeply enriched the friends and artists that gather on this farm every year.

Robert Barnum is an artist and serves as a Professor of Art at Ferris State University. Professionally he has earned regional to national competitions in ten different states. Four of those states have multiple Robert Barnum public sculptures or murals. In 2003, Mr. Barnum was the recipient of the Michigan Artist of the Year in 2003 by the Governor's Award for Arts and Culture and ArtServe of Michigan. He is a signature member of the American Watercolor Society, the National Watercolor Society, and the Watercolor USA Honor Society.

Wheatland is deeply and profoundly pleased to present the possibility of a partnership with Professor Robert Barnum.

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