

A Proposal for a Life Size Bronze Statue

Narrative;

I envision creating a life size bronze statue representing the Spirit of Coeur D'Alene.

I feel that education, the arts and our rich cultural heritage are always the best pathways to our future and the things we need to instill an appreciation for in our children. Coeur D'Alene has always seemed to me to be a forward thinking City that appreciates these things. I would like this statue to represent that which we value and honor and wish to take forward with us into the years to come. I feel they are what truly break down the barriers between races and people of different beliefs and backgrounds.

In ancient Greece, Cities would often erect a statue of the goddess, Tyche. She represented the spirit of a city and was considered responsible for good fortune and prosperity. The Romans called her Fortuna. I would like to continue this ancient tradition into the present with a representative statue of the Spirit of Coeur D'Alene, an upright female person of indeterminate race, surrounded by four children, each of a different ethnicity, each involved in some way in the arts and learning. There would be two boys and two girls. The clay maquette represents fairly well my concept for the work. As always, this should be considered more as a concept than a finished work of art. The actual full size creative effort will be much finer and the composition might go through a few changes to make for a better work of sculpture. Please review my photos of past projects. From them you will have a far better idea of what the quality of the actual sculpture will be than this sketch provides.

Based upon the maquette, the approximate dimensions for the bronze sculpture, without masonry base, would be 6 feet high x 40" wide x 20"+ deep. The figure of the woman would be 5'3" tall standing upon a "rock like" bronze base. The full sculpture would be mounted to a cast, semi-circular, masonry plinth. The sculptural work and base would be placed on a simple circular, ground level concrete pad, approximately 4" thick. The pad would be approximately 6' in diameter. When installed on the masonry plinth the overall height of the statue would be 7 feet.