

# Austen Brantley Proposal

---

# Austen Brantley

---



- Detroit, MI
- Figurative sculptor related to continuity of traditions of the Harlem Renaissance
- Inspired by African Art and Classical Art
- Self-taught sculptor

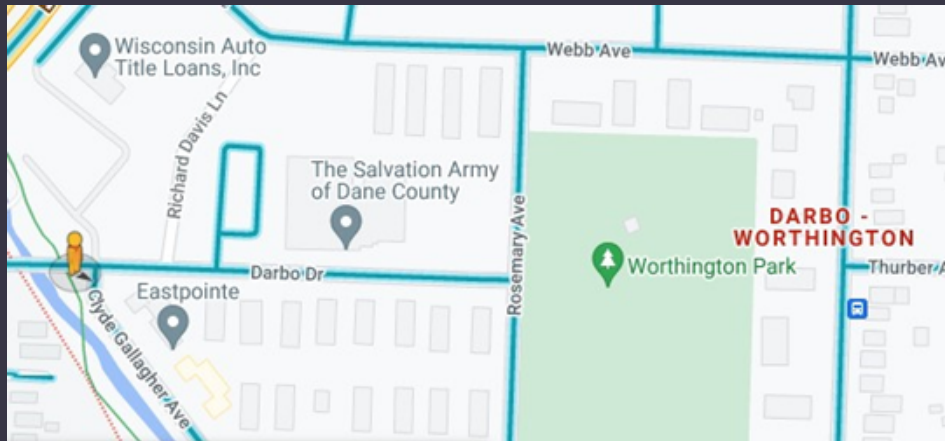
# Timeline

---

- Early spring 2023 MAC recommendation to Council and contracting
- June 5<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> 2023: workshops with MATC ceramics for continuing education, and/or Midwest Clay Project/Madison Pottery Guild, community meetings, dinner. (Add what classes he's doing; talk with Sarah)
- Fall 2023: Return to MATC for another workshop
- Fall/Winter 2023 –2024: Full-scale model produced
- Winter 2024-MAC recommendation to Council for model
- Spring/Summer2024: Casting & transport
- Summer/Fall 2024: Installing & Dedication

# Potential Locations

- Rain Garden (intersection of Darbo Drive & Richard Davis Lane)
- Near Starkweather Creek and bike path
- The specific location will be determined in conjunction with other city departments
- Adjacent to Will Green's Dream Center



# Collaboration with MATC

---

- Brantley had a residency and exhibition at MATC in 2022
- He will be returning residency at MATC this summer
- Two continuing education classes with MATC Ceramics Faculty Dean Leaper and Rachelle Miller
- Engage the community: community meal, Classes/workshops with neighborhood and community, classes for continuing education at MATC, etc.
- Produce a bronze public sculpture



*Coarse*. Madison Area Technical College. Madison, WI. April 25, 2022- May 13, 2022. Photo by: Carmen Brantley for the Capitol Times. Photo used with permissions from CT.

# Example: *Ernest Burke*

---



Millard Tydings Memorial Park  
Havre de Grace, Maryland  
Bronze  
78 in. tall  
2021



# Example: *Boy Holds Flower* Statue

---



Canfield Art Park  
Detroit, MI  
Bronze  
28 in. x 23 in. 16 in.  
2021

# Example: *Cocoon Unleashed*

---



Ceramic  
85 in. x 48 in. x 24 in.  
2014



# Example: *Pillars of the Gothic*

---



*Copyright Glenn Kujansuu*

Ceramic  
52 in. x 8 in.  
2021

# Example: *Dreamer*

---



Private Collection  
Painted terra cotta on  
limestone  
34 in. x 6 in. x 6 in.  
2021