

FENELON ARTS COMMITTEE
SCULPTURE PROJECT

Dear Arts Supporter,

The Fenelon Arts Committee (FAC) is sponsoring an exciting project in town and we need your support. We are raising funds for the Sculpture Project; the installation of two sculptures in the Rain Garden located across from Maryboro Lodge: The Fenelon Museum.

The committee received over twenty submissions from various artists and teams for this project. An independent jury of local arts and cultural members first short listed five proposals and two works were ultimately selected. The sculptures will be installed on large limestone rocks and will stand as public art on permanent display.



James C. Smith, *Portage*, bronze, 117 x 147 x 88 cm, 46 x 58 x 35 inches,
photograph of artist's maquette on-site

The first work is *Portage*, by James C. Smith. Smith has over 40 years of artistic experience and is based in Madoc. His sculpture features three life-sized bronze canoe paddle figures participating in a portage. Together the figures create a dynamic procession through the park. Smith's sculpture is an homage to the location's history; a portage and gathering area of First Nations' Peoples, the beginning of Fenelon Falls, forestry, logging, and its current use as a recreational park.

The second work by Susan Rankin is titled *River Grove*. Rankin has been using the garden as inspiration in her glass work for over 32 years. Based in Apsley, she lives in the hardwood forest on the edge of the Precambrian Shield. Her sculpture is a gathering of 10 glass and steel towers 6-8 feet tall; a nod to the region's forests and logging history. Natural light will illuminate the glass elements throughout the day and will beckon with playful punches of colour in the snowy months of winter.



Susan Rankin, *River Grove*, steel columns 182-243cm, 6-8' and hand formed glass elements approximately 2.5 cm, 5 inches in diameter (photograph of artist's maquette on-site)

The FAC needs to raise \$50,000 to proceed with this project and procure the sculptures, which will ultimately be on display as City art. Any excess donations will be applied to future public art projects in and around Fenelon Falls.

The FAC is grateful for the support and assistance of the Community Foundation of Kawartha Lakes, and especially its Community Fund Fenelon Falls. Donations are eligible for a charitable receipt. Please visit the FAC website for details on how you can support this project: fenelonarts.com/donate

Thank you for your generous support!
Sincerely,

Fenelon Arts Committee
Darcie Kennedy, Chair
&
Chris Appleton, Vice-Chair