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Artist Statement for Los Alamos Police Station Lion Sculpture

It is our strong belief that the best civic artwork forges connection between community and local environment, celebrates the unique qualities of a city, and communicates the ideas, dreams and goals of the community to everyone that has the opportunity to experience it. We are committed to working with the Los Alamos community and others involved in the design process to create artwork that is inspiring, beautiful and durable. The process of public art involves the ability to compromise, work with teams and reflect the intent of the project

The unique features of the Los Alamos Police Station provide an opportunity for Faducci to create sculpture that will enhance and enrich visitors' relationship to the Police Department. Our intention is to create artwork that will continue to engage the public and increase their connection a male African Lion. We have accomplished this goal at the Woodland Park Zoo in Seattle WA. by creating a life sized Komodo dragon. This work provides a play structure as well as an interesting and educational sculpture for the exhibit. Our sculpture with its iconic nature has been large as the dinosaur for the Oklahoma Library and the bas-relief for the City of Sunnyvale. We are experienced at creating artwork that celebrates the natural environment and emotive figures while delighting and inspiring the viewer. We have created seven sculptures for the Cameron Park Zoo in Waco, Texas, including an African Lion We have sculpted endearing concrete forms for a special needs school in Washington. DC and sculptures representing state animals for a library in Oklahoma. Our Caterpillar with 7 Pairs of Shoes, "Bellapede", at Davis Central Park, Davis, CA. is a whimsical play sculpture and has become a recognizable icon for the city of Davis, CA.

Our sculptures are uniquely designed with the highest quality materials; primarily hand sculpted cement and applied Italian glass mosaic. We use additional additives in the cement that protect against weather, and in the event of graffiti, assist in its removal. All sculptures are designed for simple maintenance, public safety, longevity and enjoyment. Our choice of cement and mosaic as an artistic medium, reflect the existing beauty and proven durability of our previous public art projects.

We would like to work with the Los Altos community to create artwork for the Los Alamos Police Station that will inspire all, and create a unique sense of place. We would appreciate the opportunity to touch the hearts of all who will visit or live in Los Alamos by creating sculpture that will delight the imagination, enliven the heart and evoke the spirit of the community.

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References

- Kristin Dance Visual Arts Coordinator, Sunnyvale
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Washington Swim Center, Underwater Fantasy Bas-Relief,
Pirate Crocodile, Octopus with Shoes
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Rhino, Giraffe, Bengal Tiger, African Lion, Spiny Tailed
Lizard, Orangutan, Cameroon Park Zoo, Waco TX.

"On the Road to Extinction", Cameroon Park Zoo, Waco TX.
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Corresponding Image List

1. **Dinosaur**, 2012, Concrete, Steel, Glass, 156"x 84"x58", Commissioned by Northwest Library, Oklahoma City, OK., \$80,000
2. **Arizona Chuckwalla**, 2018, Concrete, Steel, Glass, 48" x 60" x36", Commissioned by City of Kingman, AZ. For Route 66, \$45,000 Iconic local Reptile
3. **Water Carrier**, 2015, Concrete Steel, Glass, 132"x78"x33", Valley Children's Hospital, Madera, CA. \$45,000, Relationship representation
4. **Giraffe**, 2020, Concrete Steel, Glass, 57"x103"x64", Cameron Park Zoo, Waco, Texas., \$160,000, Sculpture is intended to remind visitors to the zoo of the beauty and uniqueness of each species, and the importance of conservation
5. **African Lion**, 2020, Concrete Steel, Glass, 18"x100"x83", Cameron Park Zoo, Waco, Texas. \$160,000, Sculpture is intended to remind visitors to the zoo of the beauty and uniqueness of each species, and the importance of conservation
6. **Ornate Spiny-Tailed Lizard**, 2020, Concrete Steel, Glass, 96"x65"x27", Cameron Park Zoo, Waco, Texas., \$160,000, Sculpture is intended to remind visitors to the zoo of the beauty and uniqueness of each species, and the importance of conservation
7. **Rhino**, 2020, Concrete Steel, Glass, 103"x56"x64", Cameron Park Zoo,. Waco, Texas \$160,000, Sculpture is intended to remind visitors to the zoo of the beauty and uniqueness of each species, and the importance of conservation
8. **Bengal Tiger**, 2020, Concrete Steel, Glass, 42"x94"x81", Cameron Park Zoo, Waco, Texas., \$160,000, Sculpture is intended to remind visitors to the zoo of the beauty and uniqueness of each species, and the importance of conservation

9. **Orangutan**, 2020, Concrete Steel, Glass, 64"x64"x65", Cameron Park Zoo, Waco, Texas., \$160,000, Sculpture is intended to remind visitors to the zoo of the beauty and uniqueness of each species, and the importance of conservation
10. **"On the Road to Extinction"**, 2018, Steel, Concrete, Glass, 114" x 151" x 65", Cameron Park Zoo, Waco, Texas. , \$210,000 Created for a zoo to inspire conversation about extinction









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