# ENER-JOY SCULPTURE FOR MARSHALLTOWN

A sculpture proposal

by Harold Linke especially for the

- Marshalltown Performing Arts Foundation
- Marshalltown Community School District/High School
- And the Marshalltown Public Art Committee



# INSPIRATION FOR ENER-JOY

- A little girl in pigtails holds mom's hand as she walks toward the glowing lantern of the Performing Arts Center.
- A bright white dancer—taller than mom—shimmers like frozen music.



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In this moment of pure wonder, our little girl decides, "I want to be like that."



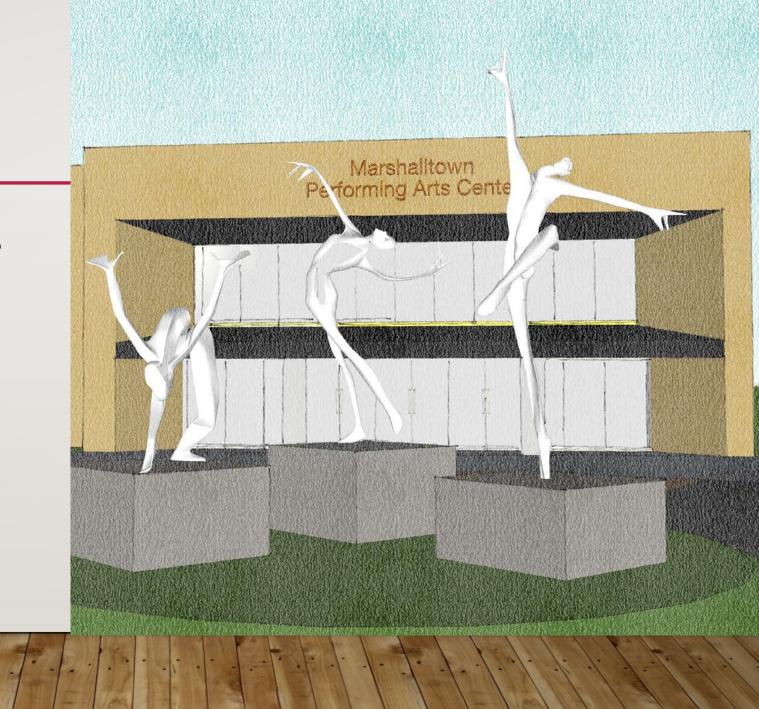
### SCULPTURE CONCEPT

After meeting with The Art Selection
Committee, it was clear to me you are
looking for sculpture with energy and
presence enough to draw attention to the
artistic side of Marshalltown--sculpture
which reflects the joy, passion, pride and
excitement you bring to the arts.



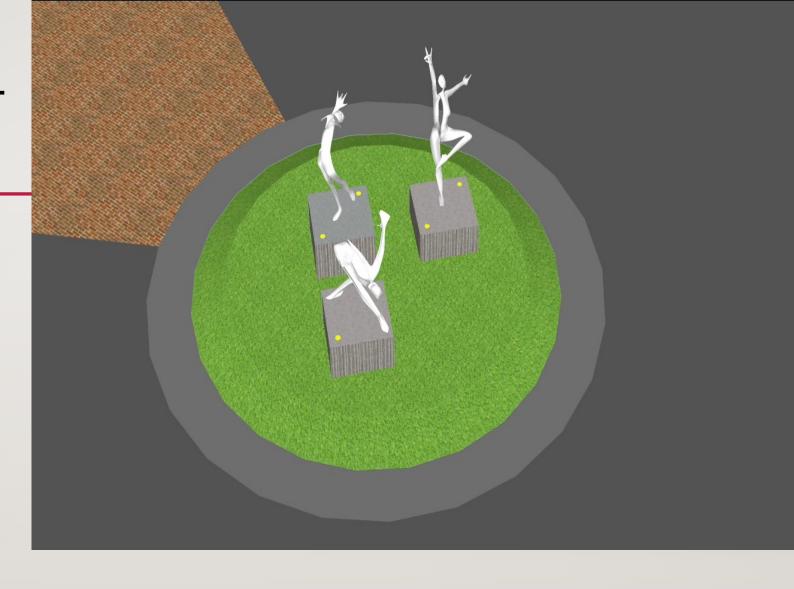
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- The theme of Energy combines joy, passion, pride and excitement with a big visual footprint to draw attention to what fine art can be.
- The three figures stand alone yet move together as you move about them.
- Against a wall, each sculpture stands eight feet tall—heroic size.



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- The three-part EnerJoy placed in the arrival circle of the Performing Arts Center depicts the flow of Energy from performer to audience and back again.
- The sculptures represent the <u>Opening Rush</u>, the <u>Performance</u> <u>Euphoria</u> and the <u>Closing Gratitude</u>.



### **OPENING RUSH**

 Every stage performance begins with an attention grabbing moment inviting us to buy in.



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 Energy flows from the performer to the audience. The tallest sculpture depicts
 The Big Moment. The performance arrests your attention and prepares you for the experience to come.



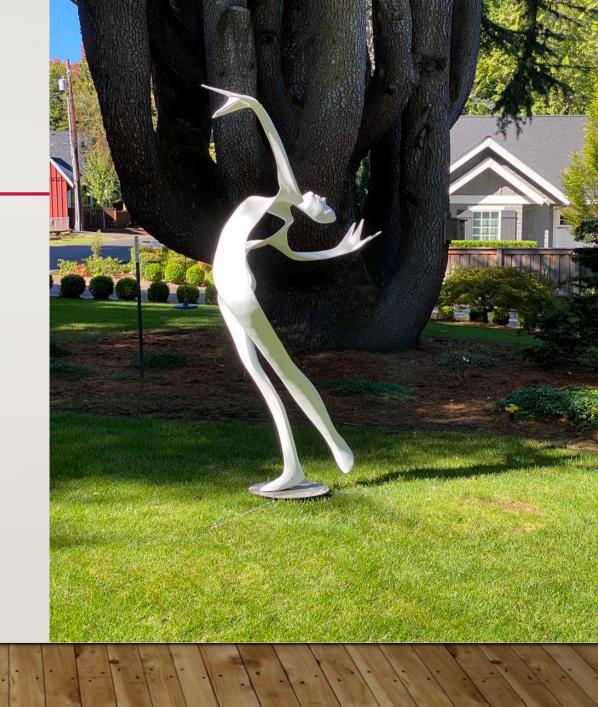
### PERFORMANCE EUPHORIA

 Once we buy in, the best performances offer us the 'sublime moment' when all else in our lives melts away.



#### PERFORMANCE EUPHORIA

 Performance Energy flows from our universe to our souls. The performers envelop our every thought and sensitivity. Everyday frustrations melt away and we float in the arms of the performance before us.



### **CLOSING GRATITUDE**

• The final triumphant bow offers us the opportunity to appreciate the performers.



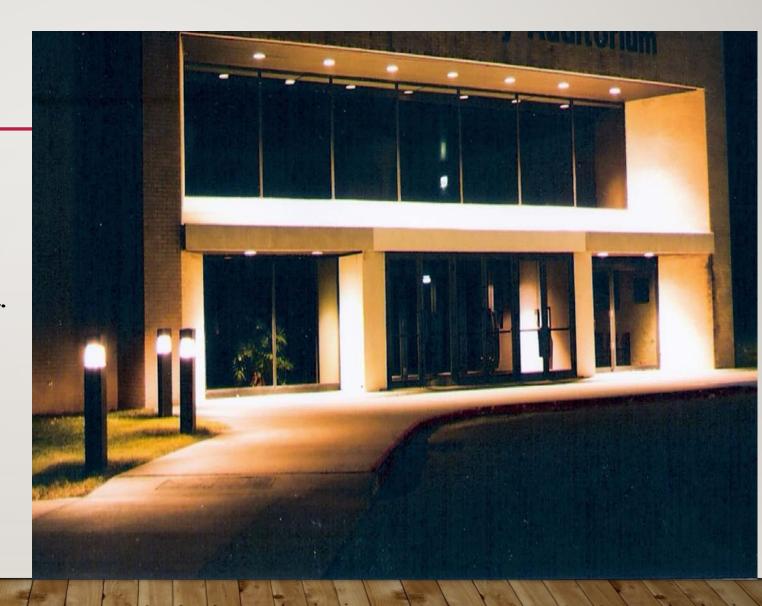
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 Energy then flows back from us to the performers. Our convergence is about to be broken and we vent our energy of gratitude with the ovation. This completes our Energy triad.



## PROJECT GOALS

 Our sculpture project seeks to mark the Marshalltown Performing Arts Center as exciting, inviting and different from its surroundings by meeting the following Goals.



# GOAL: CELEBRATE THE ARTS

 All performances live between the opening curtain and the encore bow.



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 The elegant memory of the performance energy lives in our hearts even after the details become dim. The image of white dancers becomes the central memory of all the joy past performances brought us. They become not a thing, but a feeling.



### **GOAL: IGNITE THE ARTS**

 We all live "onstage." Performance art makes our personal stage larger. As we invite more lives to performance art, we create more performance. More performance ignites bigger stages for everyone.



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- Ener-joy is an invitation to participate. Soon everyone will know about the white sculptures. They will become both a landmark and an icon of Marshalltown arts.
- Once people accept the invitation, the magic of performance art will spread from heart to heart.



### **GOAL: AMPLIFY THE ARTS**

 The structure—the stage and seats and lights—forms the canvas for a performance experience.



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 The right placemaking sculpture illuminates that special canvas and the performers onstage. First time and veteran attendees will see the potential first, then the structure. Performers will see this as a special place dedicated to appreciating art.



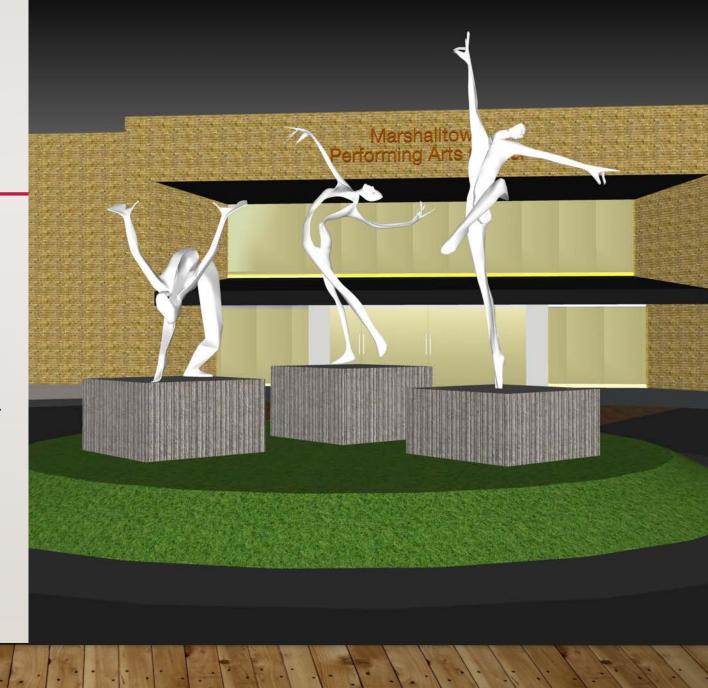
# GOAL: PROVIDE A "WOW FACTOR" DRAWING ATTENTION & INVITING PEOPLE TO ENTER

 Energy flow and elegant movement in placemaking sculpture dedicates and distinguishes a setting.



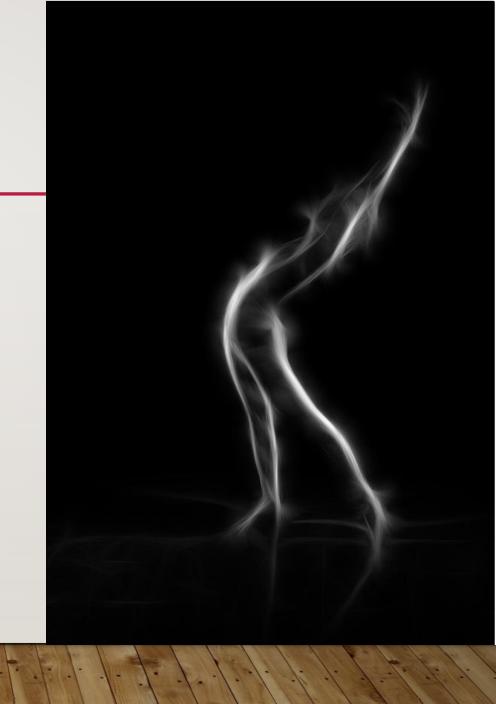
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A lucid enticement draws us to see what dwells
within the sculpture and the setting. White
sculptures on our path to the center's doors
prepare us for the beauty to come. Our minds
open and transform without a word being spoken.



### GOAL: PAY TRIBUTE TO LONG-STANDING HISTORY & TALENTED ACTORS PERFORMING IN THE CENTER

 What better tribute than fine art. Sculpture is frozen music. The beauty of a song, a drama or a melody might dim with time. The sculpture never will.



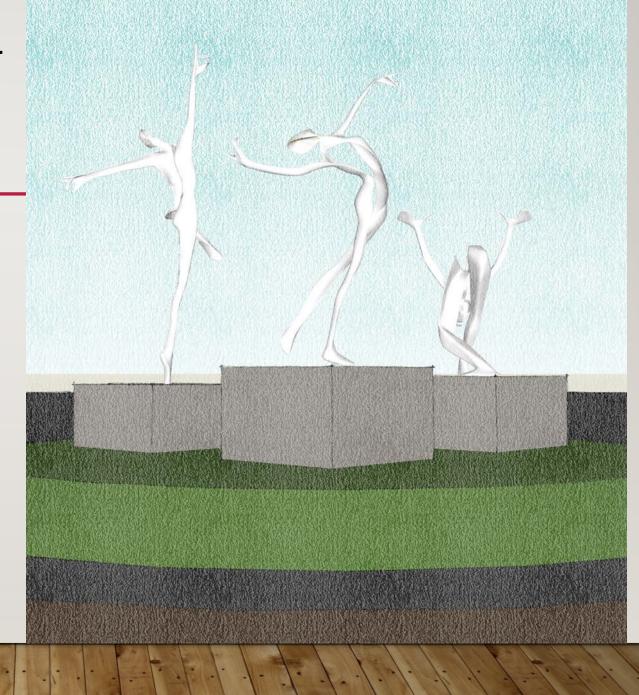
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 The fact of the performance and the inspiration of the moment dwell forever in the spirit of the sculpture. All performance comes from human form. Figurative sculpture represents those human performers.



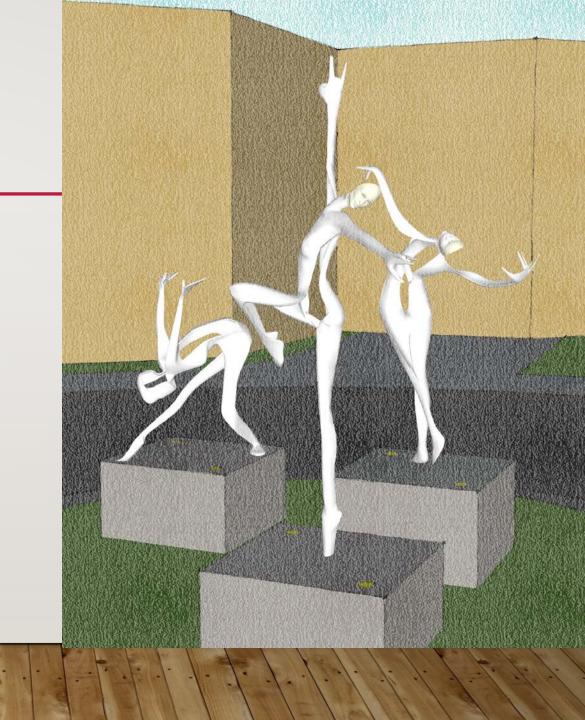
# GOAL: BALANCE/EXEMPLIFY SUPPORT FOR ARTS ALONGSIDE SUPPORT OF ATHLETICS ON THE CAMPUS

 Placemaking sculpture invites you to experience performance art—art where everyone wins.



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- Prominent fine art reminds us there is always more to experience in our hearts and minds.
- When top athletes study ballet, it reminds us of the complex tapestry of art and competition we all represent.



## THE CREATION OF ENER-JOY

 I sculpt performers in their lightest airiest form. Each sculpture is handcrafted carbon fiber. Measured by tensile modulus, carbon fiber is ten times stronger than steel and one-fifth the weight--perfect for light flowing forms.



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• I coat the sculpture with seven layers of polyurethane primer, base coat, pearl coat and clear coat, producing a deep reflective shine.

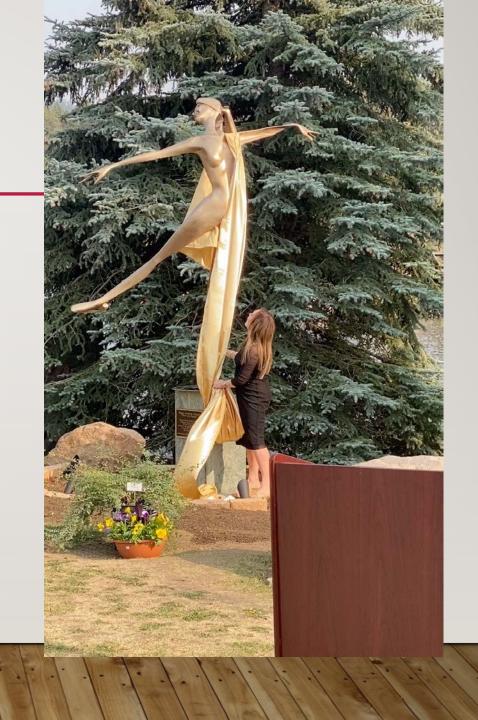


## THE CREATION OF ENER-JOY

 Together the carbon fiber composite and the urethane coatings provide a tough and exceptionally durable sculpture. These sculptures have withstood many years of tough weather and high winds.



In 2020, Sculpture Evergreen (Colorado)
commissioned a heroic tribute to the 50th anniversary
of Peggy Fleming's Olympic Gold Medal in figure
skating. Peggy unveiled the sculpture in September,
2020.



 In 2020, the City of Edmond, Oklahoma, commissioned heroic size tennis players for their new tennis complex including 26 outdoor courts, 4 stadium courts and 6 indoor courts.



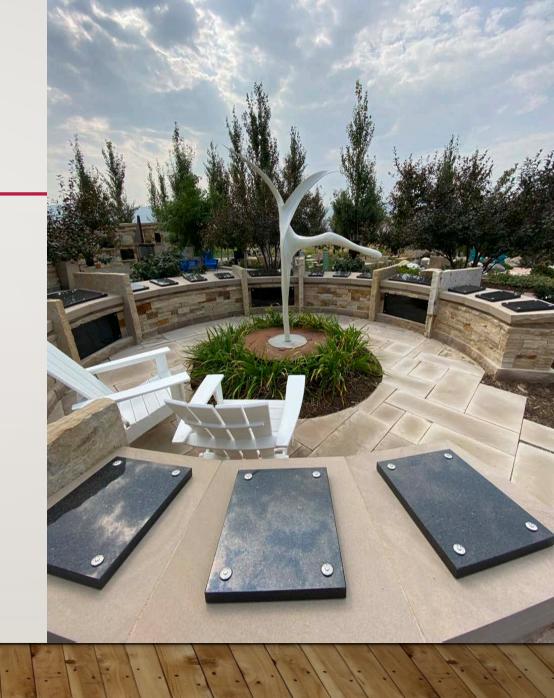
 In 2019, the City of Lone Tree, Colorado, selected my Mountain Spell sculpture for the entry to their Lone Tree Performing Arts Center.



• In 2018, Silverthorne, Colorado, requested abstract figures for placement at their new Performing Arts Center.



 My sculptures have garnered top awards in juried shows in Aurora, Colorado; Greeley, Colorado; Dallas, Texas; Keystone, Colorado; Lakewood, Colorado; and Sheridan, Wyoming.



## **ENER-JOY**

I make sculpture especially for you. These
gestures of joy and radiance belong to you, your
eye and your heart. Whether you accept them as
my visual gift or offer them for others to savor,
your en-joy-ment is uniquely now and neverbefore.



## **ENER-JOY**

- Thanks for taking the time to review my proposal.
   I am available anytime at 303 475-2409
   (cell or text) for questions.
- I hope to be chosen to make this marvelous tribute.
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