

2023 PROGRAM YEAR

AURORA PUBLIC ART MULTIPLE-USE SCULPTURE

Recommendation of Selected Proposal
GRAFT, Edra Soto

Infrastructure & Technology Committee
Monday, September 11, 2023



Mayor Richard C. Irvin
Public Art
Community Services

SELECTION PROCESS

- RFQ SUBMISSIONS REVIEW:
 - PUBLIC ART STAFF
 - AURORA PUBLIC ART COMMISSION
 - 0-3 SUBMISSIONS SELECTED FOR DESIGN CONTRACT

- DESIGN SUBMISSIONS REVIEW:
 - PUBLIC ART STAFF
 - AURORA PUBLIC ART COMMISSION
 - MAYOR'S OFFICE
 - DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TEAM
 - CITY COUNCIL

SELECTED ARTIST: EDRA SOTO

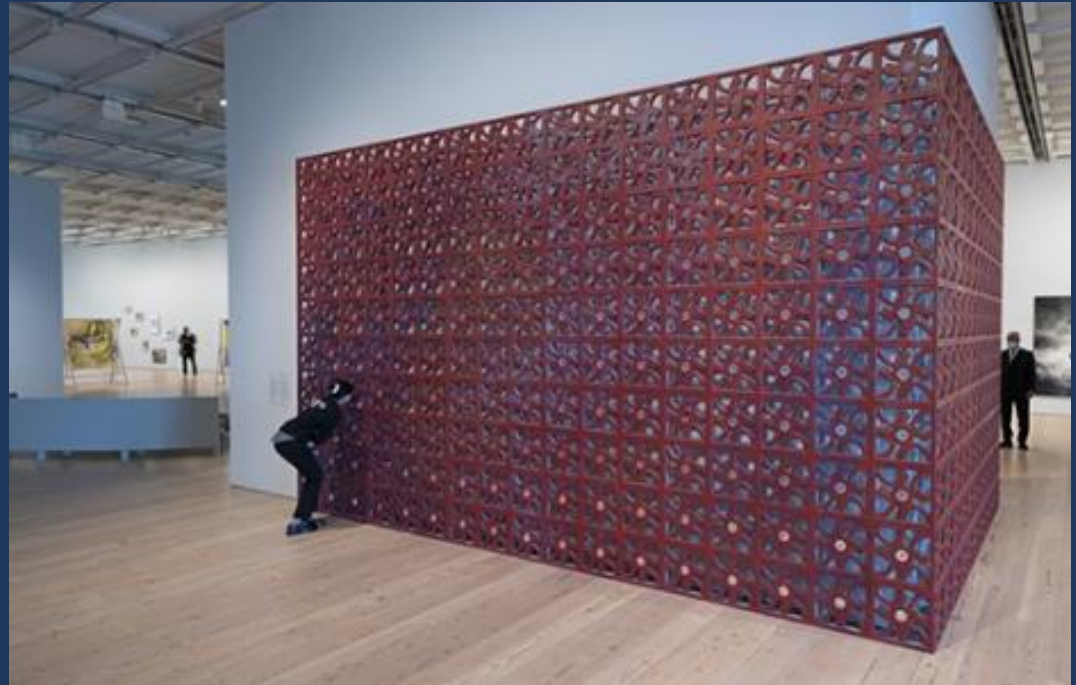
- PUERTO-RICAN SCULPTOR BASED IN CHICAGO
- 2023: 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF *GRAFT* SCULPTURE SERIES
- *GRAFT* SERIES REFERENCES THE LATINO IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE



CASA ISLA, CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDENS, 2022

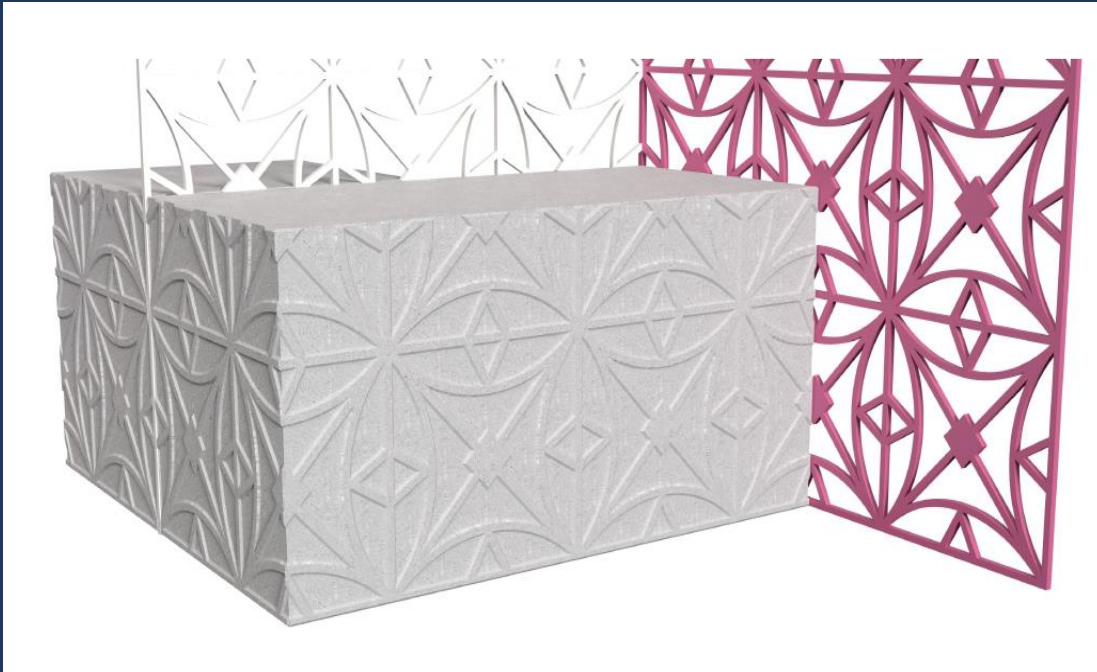
WHITNEY MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART

2023: ACQUISITION OF
GRAFT SCUPLTURE BY
WHITNEY MUSEUM OF
AMERICAN ART, NEW
YORK, NY, FOR THEIR
PERMANENT COLLECTION



AURORA GRAFT

- TO FUNCTION AS FIVE SEATING STRUCTURES
- MATERIALS: POWDER-COATED STEEL, CAST CONCRETE



LOCATION

- DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT
- 14 E DOWNER PLACE
- ADJACENT TO PIERCE ART & HISTORY CENTER

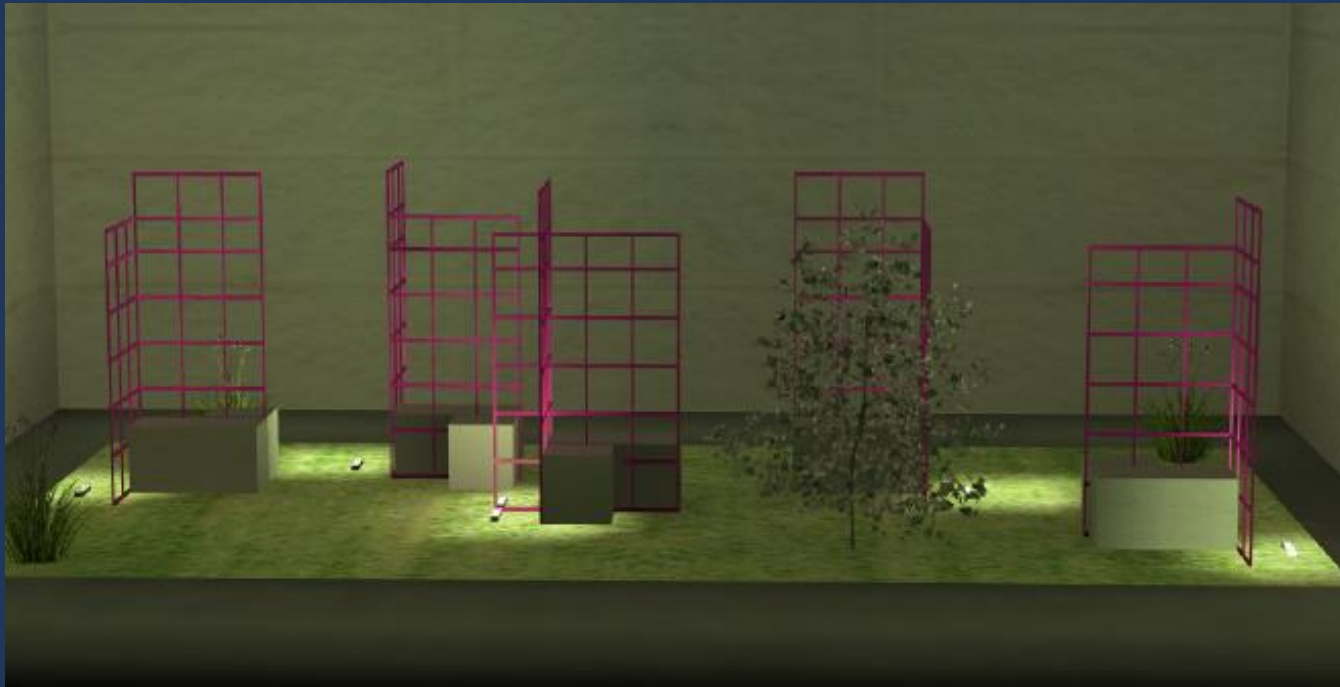


SITE MOCK-UP (ANIMATION)



LIGHTING DESIGN

- SET INTO NEW CONCRETE PADS
- WATERTIGHT
- INSTALLED BY CITY STAFF



BUDGET

ITEM	QUANTITY	TOTAL COST	DETAIL
INITIAL DESIGN FEE	1	\$2,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2% OF PROJECT COST• SEPARATE CONTRACT, COMPLETED 5/5/23
SCULPTURE FABRI-CATION & INSTALLATION	5	\$100,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 85% FABRICATION• 15% FINAL DESIGN
LIGHT FIXTURES	6	\$5,058	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• STAFF INSTALLATION
CONCRETE PADS	5	\$4,980	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CONTRACTOR INSTALLATION
LANDSCAPING	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NO ADDITIONAL COST• WITHIN DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT BUDGET
TOTAL PROJECT COST			\$112,038

SUMMARY

SEEKING APPROVAL OF SELECTED DESIGN FOR SCULPTURE ACQUISITION:

- LOCATION: GARDEN NEXT TO PIERCE ART & HISTORY CENTER
- TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET: \$112,038
- FUNDING AVAILABLE
- INSTALLATION DEADLINE 7/31/2024

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