

Phase IV Public Art Benches in The Woodlands Arts District

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Site Location #1

What would you like your artist to know about what went into your decision of Underwriting an Art Bench?

I am 100% an art lover and book lover. The concept of being able to stroll thru the beautiful grounds of our community area and view art scattered through out is a magical adventure. To have a chance to sit and enjoy your surroundings and a good book is a luxury in this day and age. To have both the luxury of time to sit and enjoy and to also have the adventure of viewing works of art in the same place to me is priceless.

What went into your decision in selecting the specific site location for the bench you are Underwriting?

The location was a reminder of all the beautiful waterfalls we have experienced with all our overseas living in African and Asia. From the majestic Victoria Falls and hidden Kalandula Falls in Africa to the serene peaceful cleansing falls in Bali, they all bring a sense of wonder and power of mother nature. After we hiked to the falls, we often sat on the granite or volcano boulders nestled among the ferns, birds of paradise and ginger, canopied by the banana and palm trees watching the kingfisher and little bee eater birds fly in and out taking their baths and relaxing on the leaves of the surrounding bamboo shoots. These moments in time are precious to us and this bench location reminded us of those special times.

What feelings do you want this bench to convey?

The seclusion and appreciation of a special spot that is grounding, serene and brings the magical, majestic strength of the waterfalls that mother nature has provided to life. A place you can sit and enjoy a book or take in the sights and dream of tropical forests in faraway lands.