

“The world is a big place. It is filled with ideas waiting to be plucked. The universe is throwing 'em out there. You just gotta grab one.”

—John Toras

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John Toras is an artist from Benton, Kentucky who has been sculpting for 45 years using stainless steel as his primary medium.

He bends, grinds, and polishes scrap metal into whimsical designs that shimmer in the light and often move with the wind. This is the first time this exhibition will be viewed by the public.

"Blown Away" depicts a figure being transformed by the wind of the butterflies held in its hand. The concept was inspired by the line, "With the power of ten billion butterfly sneezes," from the song "Higher and Higher" by The Moody Blues.

"Heaven" is a representation of Toras's ever-changing perception of Heaven. He hopes this thought-provoking piece will encourage viewers to examine their own individual beliefs.

"Silver Star" is Toras's attempt at replicating a brass horse figurine that once caught his eye. It is his most time consuming and heaviest sculpture to date, taking him 6 months to complete and weighing 1,065 pounds.



The Outdoor Art of John Toras: Man of Stainless Steel
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Heritage Park Sculpture Trail Map

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- 1 Porthole
- 2 Life
- 3 The Resurrection
- 4 Up, Up, and Away
- 5 The Tesla
- 6 Silver Ball
- 7 The Osprey
- 8 Heaven
- 9 Twisted Anchor
- 10 Blown Away
- 11 Neptune's Ride
- 12 Odin's Return
- 13 Master of the Universe
- 14 Sunflowering Dragon
- 15 At the Races
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- 21 Weather
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