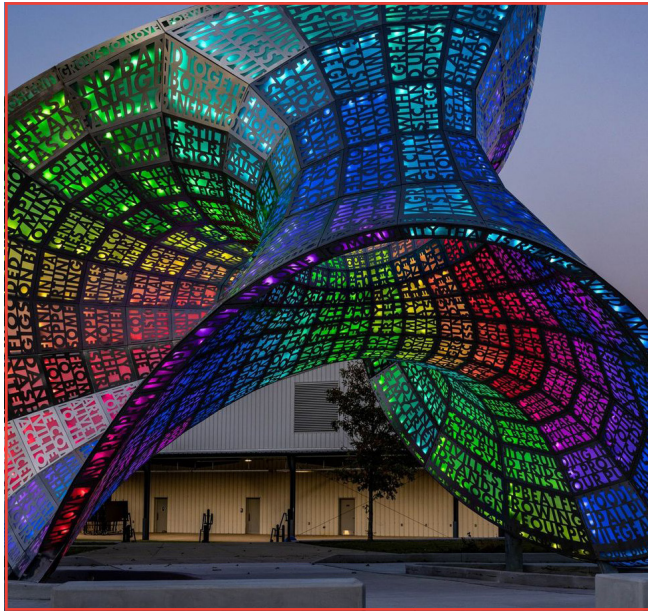


Loqui Statue

Nashville, Tennessee



Loqui stands as a striking 32-foot sculpture, permanently stationed at the heart of Nashville's Fairgrounds. Commissioned as a landmark for the space, it serves as both a central focal point for visitors and a symbol of immediate recognition for locals. The statue's surface is adorned with 415 carefully chosen phrases, contributed by Nashville residents themselves, reflecting the essence of what makes the city home and sharing collective hopes for its bright future.

Hot-dip galvanizing was selected to protect the support core to ensure its low maintenance and

Hot-dip galvanizing protects the support structure, and limits lifetime maintenance which would require the cladding and panels to be removed.

longevity. HDG not only ensures Loqui's durability, but also protects this vital investment, making it a lasting part of the Fairgrounds for years to come.

Each frame of this piece was unique, and the fabricator and galvanizer worked hand in hand to ensure the project exceeded expectations. Due to the distinct shape of each frame, the placement of drainage holes was crucial. Working collaboratively, the galvanizer assisted the fabricator in finding the most discreet yet efficient location for the holes, maintaining the sculpture's quality and aesthetic integrity.

The sustainability of hot-dip galvanizing was a consideration, as the artist and city desired to utilize sustainable and environmentally conscious materials and production. Galvanizing provides long-lasting protection with minimal maintenance.

This ensures the cladding and panels will not need to be removed for repairs over the lifetime of the piece, allowing it to shine for all visitors and safeguard the city's investment for generations. ■

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