

Main Street Kendall – Bicycle Rack Design

June 7, 2012 Update



The 1% for Art component of the Kendall Square / Main Street project is the artist designed bike racks. Five artists were chosen by an art jury to participate in this project. Each of the selected artists created three or four designs that were represented in the Spun Exhibit by drawings, models and artists' statements. The artists had to balance his or her artistic mission with factors of successful functionality, ease of maintenance, compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and economy of cost. During the exhibit and at the April 10, 2012 Kendall Square Public meeting, members of the public were asked to comment and vote on the different designs. Approximately 650 votes were received.

Selection Process:

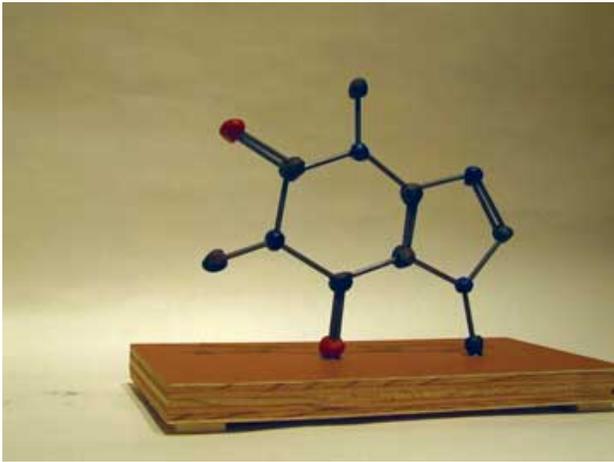
On June 4, 2012 the selection committee met and selected 5 bike racks to be used in Kendall Square. The selection committee included city staff, a member of the Bicycle Committee and two members of the Kendall Square Advisory Committee. In making their selection, the committee considered the public input (voting and comments), functionality of the racks, appropriateness for Kendall Square, and artistic interest.

The location and final mix of bike racks will be determined by the Main Street design team, taking into consideration the goal of promoting bicycling as a healthy and sustainable form of transportation, meeting the increasing need for bike parking, the overall design of Main Street and the project budget.

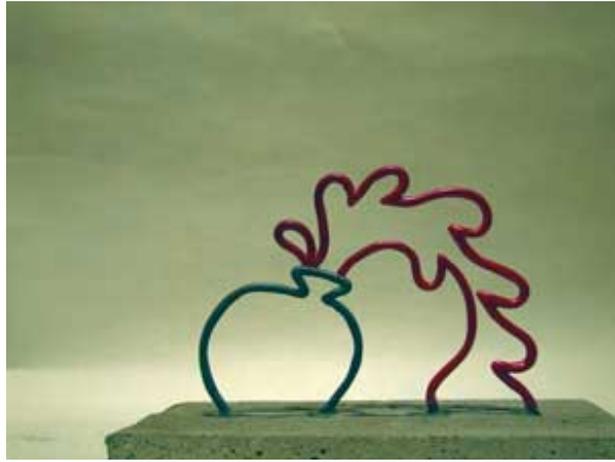
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Selected Bike Racks

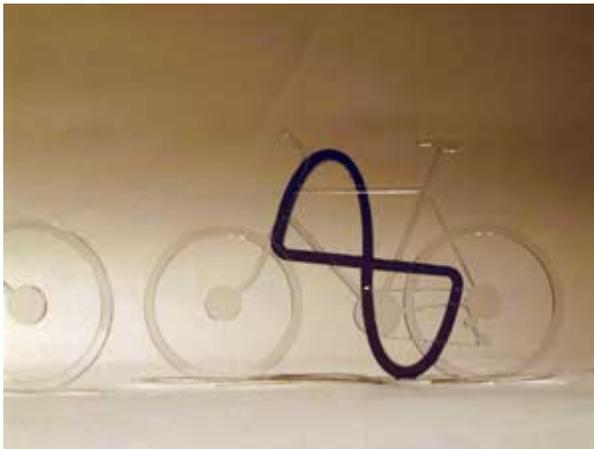
Case Randall, Caffeine Molecule



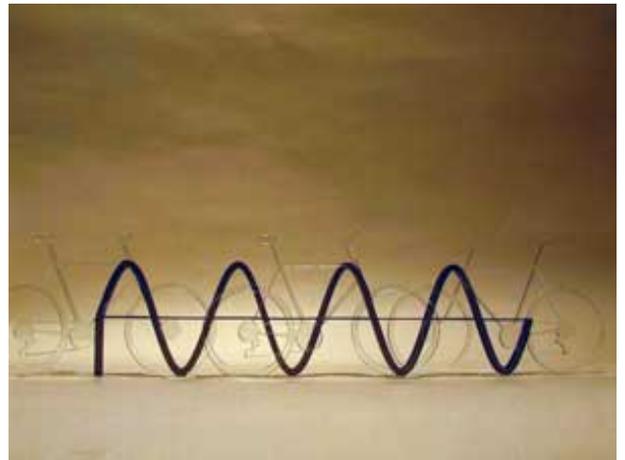
Case Randall, Liquid - single
(likely to not be color, due to cost and maintenance concerns)



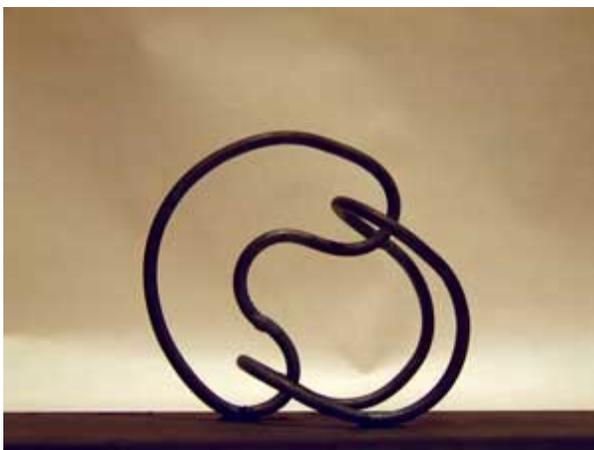
Carrie Bodle, Sine Wave D/J



Carrie Bodle, Sine Wave G/K



Matthew Hincman, model A



Arts Council staff will work with the artist to make adjustments to the design to ensure that this design functions well as a bike rack.