

# Falls Rotunda Sculpture FACT SHEET



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- **Installation:** August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011
- **Themes for the Falls of the Ohio Sculpture:** A Changing Land, An Ancient Sea, Converging Cultures, The Falls Today
- **Water Chandelier:** 465 water drops; 275 pounds
- **Sun:** 437 rays; 500 pounds
- **Moon:** 47 gray platters with 1 boot print to represent humans walking on the moon
- **Stars:** 10 stars; 9 are different colors; 1 is a mirror; 1 is iridescent
- **Fossils:** 9 fossil replications from the Falls area
- **Waves:** 24 blue glass segments to create waves
- **Canoe & Glass Platters:** canoe is made of stainless steel; 6 glass platters—two blue platters represent water; 2 Native American red glass platters represent Mississippian culture along the Ohio River between 500-800 years ago; motifs are sun circles, geometric shapes, a cross with four directions and a woodpecker—all taken from artifacts at Angel Mounds Historic Site at Evansville, IN; 1 glass platter is a Louisville, KY skyline; 1 glass platter is a towboat from the Ohio River.
- **Ripples:** Hanging below the canoe are 9 blue glass water ripples
- **Branch of Evolution:** On a stainless-steel leafy branch hangs glass images representing the evolution of life emerging after the Ice Age to today: 3 earthen-toned glass platters representing dirt, sand and rocks; mammoth hoof prints on limestone and snow; bison hoof prints on grass; human foot prints on land; 3 multi-colored flowers
- **Total Number of Glass Pieces:** approximately 1,020 blown glass pieces
- **Nooks & Crannies:** Besides the dynamic focal points of the waterfall and the sun, make sure you see: the mirror star, boot print of a human walking on the moon (on one gray glass platter), the double-plated glass flowers on the branch of evolution, the amber backlighting of the 9 blue fossil platters; the red Native American platters on the canoe, taken from Angel Mounds Historic Site designs; 3 of the 4 bars are balanced mobiles which move slightly with the irregular rotunda air currents while the waterfall bar is fixed.
- **Rotunda Height:** 28 feet
- **Rotunda Diameter:** 48 feet
- **Miscellaneous Facts about the Falls Rotunda Sculpture**  
1,020 total number of glass pieces: 465 water drops; 437 sun rays; 47 moon platters; 9 fossil platters; 24 wave segments; 11 ripples; 10 stars; 16 platters & flowers on branch of life mobile (3 dirt/rock/sand); 6 hooves & foot prints; 7 flower petals; 6 platters on canoe