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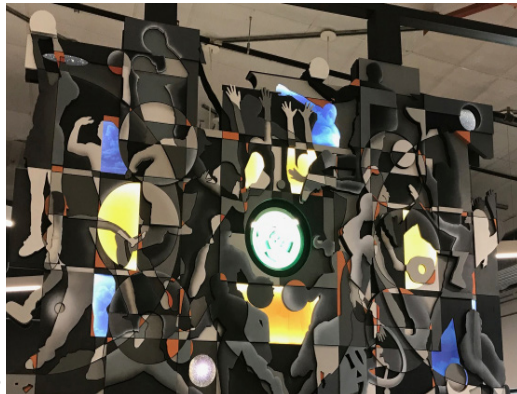
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David Spear
MU Health Care
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Major Vendors

Professional Contractors and Engineers (PCE)
SFS Architecture
Allstate Consultants
Christensen Asphalt
Richardson Excavation

Sports Fieldhouse artwork ~

This installation was created to work in harmony with the mission of the Columbia Sports Fieldhouse to inspire the visiting athletes and spectators of basketball, volleyball and pickleball. The overlaying boundaries created on the shared court is the conceptual basis that led to the layering of



silhouettes, balls and netting. The pieces over the windows and doors are based on ancient, winged pediments with the wings replaced by the pattern of shoes that give athletes flight.

~ David Spear



Dedication of the Columbia Sports Fieldhouse

A. Perry Philips Park



Located just off Highway 63 in A. Perry Philips Park, the Columbia Sports Fieldhouse is the community's new premier, indoor sports facility. The building features four hardwood courts designed for basketball, volleyball, pickleball and archery. Multi-purpose rooms, a control desk, concession area, spectator seating and restrooms complete the first phase of construction.



The need for the indoor sports complex was identified in the 2002 and 2013 Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan and in the 2014 Sports Feasibility Study. The Sports Fieldhouse will be key to sports tourism in Columbia, hosting regional and national tournaments. In addition, the Fieldhouse will host local youth and adult leagues and will be available to the public through court rentals.

Staff held public input meetings and conducted online surveys to gather feedback for facility planning. They also had informal meetings with potential users such as the Columbia Youth Basketball Association, adult volleyball and basketball teams, pickleball players and several coaches/parents of independent competitive youth basketball and volleyball teams. It was during these meetings that building options, such as the need for wood courts, cross court goals for younger kids, scoreboards, divider nets, coaches and officials' meeting rooms were added.

Funding for the first phase of construction comes from a combination of sources, including the voter-approved 2015 Park Sales Tax, Columbia Convention and Visitors Bureau, private donations/sponsorships and the City's Designated Loan Fund to be repaid by recreation services user fees. Local artist David Spear was commissioned for the City's Percent for Art project, budgeted at about \$50,000. Unfunded future phases of the Sports Fieldhouse would include up to eight additional courts.

We appreciate the support by project donors and partners, as well as Columbia residents, making facilities such as this one possible.

Columbia Sports Fieldhouse dedication

5:30 p.m., Nov. 14, 2019

Opening ~ Mike Griggs, Director, Columbia Parks and Recreation

Remarks ~ Mayor Brian Treece, City of Columbia

Remarks ~ Allen Jennings, President, Columbia Youth Basketball Association (CYBA)

Remarks ~ Dean Berry, Secretary, Columbia Youth Basketball Association (CYBA)

Remarks ~ Marty McCormick, Executive Director, Strategic Planning and Marketing, MU Health Care

Remarks ~ Brock Cooper, General Counsel, Veterans United

Remarks ~ Heather Hargrove, Chair, Convention and Visitors Bureau Advisory Board

Remarks ~ Sarah Dresser, Office of Cultural Affairs (artist introduction)

Remarks ~ David Spear, artist

Conclusion ~ Mike Griggs

Ribbon Cutting, Columbia Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors

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