

**I was asked what the inscription would read if a plaque were placed in front of our installation..*

PLAQUE DESCRIPTION

"This sculpture represents the embodied will of a community to create a tangible manifestation of their desire to call attention to, and ultimately act to change, the plight of Black and brown neighbors, brothers, and sisters.

Some might see an ancestor, or a collective embodiment of ancestors. Others may view this being as the spirit of George Floyd, returned as a being of greater understanding, shepherding the way to a better life after his death turned out to be such a galvanizing spark for so many..

The domed wings shield from the figurative missiles of classism, racism, division and hatred, and the the literal dangers of weather and time.

On his lap rests a book etched with the names of a great many fallen: Black lives snatched from the world at the hands of police brutality.

A collective statement of intention graces the page at the very front, facing forward, into the direction of progress and change. It was drafted by all those of the immediate community who wished the world and anyone visiting to see that they chose to use their voices to help this dream become a collectively held reality—thus, crystallizing their call."

