



Okra/ Shed Aesthetics

14 x 51 x 5 inches

Cast aluminum, reclaimed wood

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Bio

Michael LeBlanc is the owner of Licorne Foundry LLC, where he uses his mobile fine art foundry to teach the process and history of foundry and cast metal art to the Northwest Arkansas community. He has been practicing cast metal sculpture for over 15 years, presenting art and research nationally and internationally.

Artist Statement

I take considerable effort in selecting iconography and curating content to reach a large and diverse viewer group while gently emphasizing community engagement and intertwined social values. Okra/Shed Aesthetics highlights the yield of summer while tending to the garden. As a person who identifies as Cajun, okra is a very common vegetable in the garden and kitchen but is also popular with other communities. I hope that when viewers gaze at the work, they can recognize that other viewers from different walks of life are having a similar response.