



## Art for The University of Iowa and Methodist Church Steeple Work

This month, we are highlighting two projects that are not our typical windows and doors, but instead showcase some of the additional capabilities of our shop.



View of the completed "Scholastic Truth" which is part of the Mary Louise Petersen Residence Hall located on The University of Iowa campus. Photo courtesy Tim Schoon/University of Iowa.

## Art Project Details

A new residence hall on The University of Iowa campus commissioned local artists Adam and Dawn Eikamp to design a piece of art to support the academic-social connections of living-learning communities. They created an abstract sculpture piece that was inspired by the quote: "Intelligence plus character--that is the goal of true education." (Martin Luther King, Jr.)



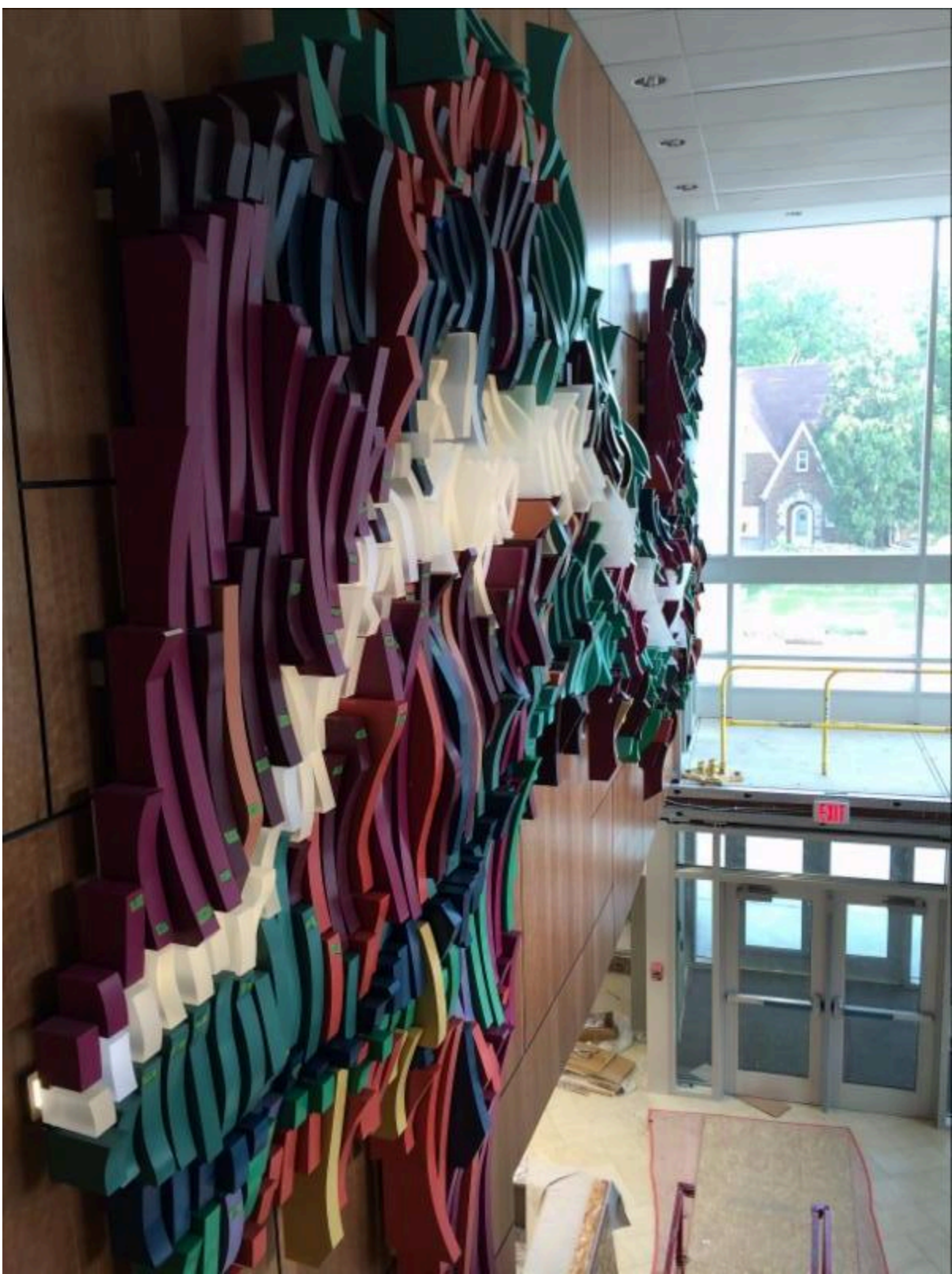
These photos depict the pieces that we cut to specification on our Biesse CNC (Computer Numerical Control) router.

An electronic file was provided by Eikamp Arts for each piece. The CNC router is guided by a computer which directs the tools in each piece of equipment to make cuts to an exact position based on input from the computer program.

Complex shapes can be created due to the precision that is possible with CNC router. These shapes would not have been fabricated as easily on a bandsaw, nor would they be as precise or have a finished edge.







Photos courtesy Eikamp Arts.

## Methodist Church Steeple Parts

Another project that we undertook was replicating decorative pieces on the steeple of a Methodist church that had deteriorated over time.



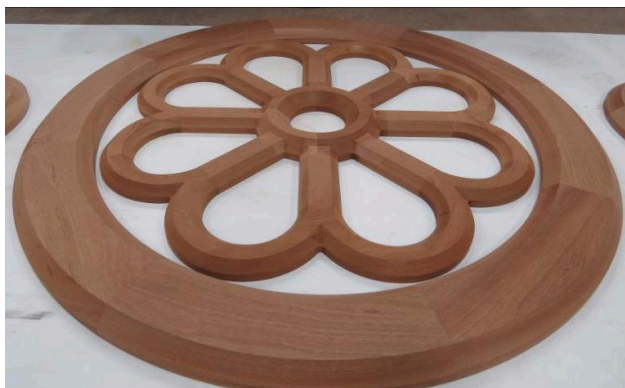
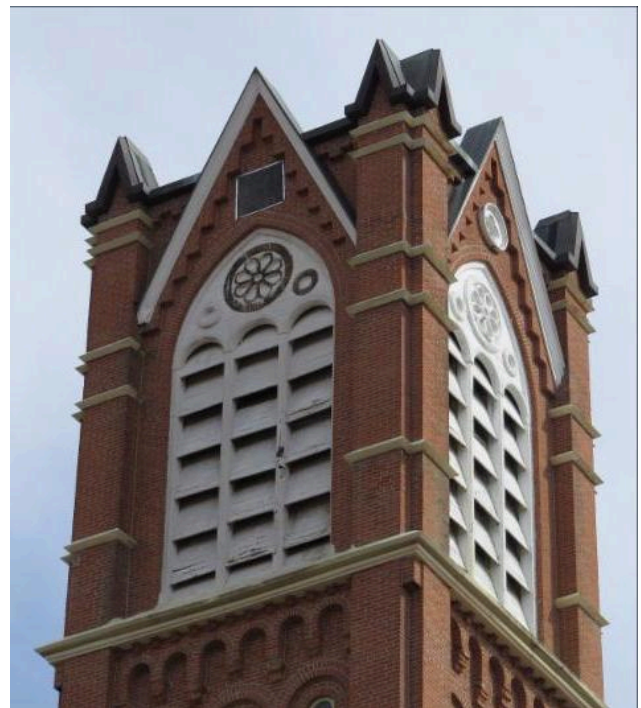
These ornamental medallions were manufactured from mahogany which stands up well to outside elements. The pieces will be painted to match the current architecture.





The church steeple contained several pieces that needed to be recreated. To the left is the medallion located near the peak on the steeple.

The pieces look rather delicate from a distant view. However, when you see Paul next to some of the them, the actual size is quite substantial. It was an interesting project to undertake and an enjoyable challenge to recreate.





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