

# 2007 Sculpture Project Our Solar System-Myths and Matter

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Miramonte and Kohl Park



“Our Solar System-Myths and Matter” is a scale model of our solar system with each planet located in proportion to their distance from the sun. Each planet is represented by a cast bronze medallion placed on a colorful pedestal of mosaic tile and stone. The medallions compare the relative sizes of the planets with the sun, their distance from the sun, number of moons, gravity, orbit and other fun facts. Images derived from ancient myths are cast in high relief bronze and set atop each pedestal. The sun is located in a special plaza that contains the inner planets of the solar system. It is ringed with paving stones etched with words representing mythical values associated with each planet. An interactive sun dial is located on the north side of the sun. It is activated using a child’s shadow and adjusted for the month of the year (and daylight savings).



# 2007 Sculpture Project *Birds*

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"Birds" consists of seven abstract steel "birds" mounted horizontally on tall, powder-coated steel poles. The poles come in two heights (11.5 and 12.5 feet). This allows the swing of "birds" to overlap and thus the sculptures to fit into a 12' x 15' space. As the wind swirls and changes directions through the park and trees, the "birds," constantly seeking to orient themselves into the wind, turn and twist in a random fashion. In very high winds, the tailfins will orient the "birds" into the wind, thus protecting them from damage.

