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“Metamorphosis” Named 2023/24 Art on Parade People’s Choice Winner

November 28, 2023, Northglenn, CO – The Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation (NAHF) announces artist Vanny Channal as the recipient of the 2023/2024 People’s Choice Award for his scrap metal sculpture “Metamorphosis”. The award is part of Northglenn’s Art on Parade program. The program features on-loan, outdoor sculptures exhibited at E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park for one year. The public votes for their favorite, and NAHF works toward purchasing the piece for permanent display in the City of Northglenn. NAHF has already secured funding for the piece from the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD).

“When you look at where Cambodia should be on the earth portion of the sculpture, the outline of Cambodia is blown up to represent the footprint I am making as an artist but also as a voice for my people. As a Cambodian American with refugee parents, my life experiences are the experiences of a minority group within a cluster of other minority groups,” says Channal. The artist feels that the story of each of his scrap metal sculptures is also his story, sharing “My story of overcoming circumstances, my story of redemption, my story of taking something that outlived its purpose and giving it a new chance at life.”

Vanny Channal resides in Brighton, CO. For more information about Vanny Channal and Steel ‘N’ Pacific visit <https://steelinpacific.godaddysites.com/>

The piece will remain on display at E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park through May 2024, at which time six new sculptures-on-loan will be installed. The permanent location for “Metamorphosis” will be announced in 2024. For more information about Art on Parade or NAHF, call Michael Stricker at 303.450.8727.

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The Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation (NAHF) is a 501(c)3 organization that provides funding for quality youth theatre, public art, and other cultural endeavors in our community. NAHF was founded in 1990. Learn more by visiting www.northglennarts.org. Like us on Facebook @COTheatreAndArt, and follow us on Twitter and Instagram @NorthglennArts.

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