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### **Art Dedication at Little Toots Park**

Steamboat Springs, Colorado— The City of Steamboat Springs and the Steamboat Springs Public Art Board will be hosting an art dedication of Madeline Wiener's sculpture "Let the Music Play" on Saturday, August 22 at 11:00 in Little Toots Park (12<sup>th</sup> and Yampa).

Madeline Wiener designed the sculpture as part of her "bench people" series, meaning that they can be sat on and resembles a blues band (or whatever your imagination chooses) playing music based on the City's desire for the sculpture to be engaging and interactive for children. The sculpture includes three very large figures made out of Dolomitic limestone - one holding a trumpet, the other a saxophone and a drummer. It is her hope that "this musical grouping for Little Toot's Park will create a landmark for all visitors to have a shared memory. "

Robert Dieckhoff, who was the head of the Public Art Board during the Little Toots commission process, said the group chose "Let the Music Play" for its theme (Celebrating the Arts), accessibility and durability. Limestone is one of the few materials that can stand up over time in the park, which is near Steamboat's sulfur springs.

The public is invited to meet the artist and join in the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

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