

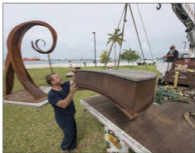
RIDING THE WAVE



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Florida Keys Sculpture Trail ends in Key West

The setting sun peeks through a newly installed iron sculpture at the Truman Waterfront Park on Wednesday evening. Gifted to the City of Key West by philanthropist John Padgett and the late Jacob Dekker, "Wave Henge" was created by artists Damon Hamer and Jeff Sundheim, and is part of the Key West Art in Public Places project. The sculpture is designed as a sundial and will cast a shadow on one of four benches during the Winter and Summer solstices and the Fall and Spring equinoxes. The piece joins 10 other sculptures along the Florida Keys Sculpture Trail that spans from Mile Marker 81 in Tavernier to the Truman Waterfront in Key West. The artist's statement describing the concept reads as follows: The shadow will land exactly on the outline of one bench when the hour and minute of the day matches the month and day of the year. For example, the Winter Solstice occurs on Dec. 21, or 12/21, so the shadow will align perfectly with the bench that is due north at 12:21 p.m. on 12/21. The dates and times are (clockwise from left): Autumn Equinox, 9/22 at 9:22 a.m.; Winter Solstice, 12/21 at 12:21 p.m.; Spring Equinox, 3/20 at 3:20 p.m.; and Summer Solstice, 6/21 at 6:21 p.m. The Florida Keys Sculpture Trail is sponsored in part by the Monroe County Board of County Commissioners, the Monroe County Art in Public Places Committee and the Florida Keys Council of the Arts. For sculpture locations and information, visit <http://www.keysarts.com>.



Bill Winters, left, and Bob VanWinkle of RVW Sculpture Installation use a small crane to lower one of the four teak and iron benches that comprise "Wave Henge" into position Monday morning at the Truman Waterfront Park.