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Artistic sign, shade structure and sundial now installed at Kennesaw's Gateway Park

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The City of Kennesaw held a ribbon cutting ceremony on May 3 to unveil a sign, shade structure and sundial designed and crafted by students of the Kennesaw State University Master Craftsman Program.

The pieces are located at the city Gateway Park, a pocket park located at the corner of Sardis and S. Main streets.

We are very excited to have been given the opportunity by the city to completely outfit Gateway Park," said Page Burch, Master Craftsman program coordinator. "It allowed us to work on our largest scale to date with these three pieces. The design of the pieces complement each other nicely, and presents a uniform aesthetic to the park. I believe that this park is a project that both KSU and the City of Kennesaw can be very proud of.+

The shade structure was built by KSU Master Craftsman students Carrie McDaniel, Randy Kooistra, Manuel Simonet, Ellen Foosekutty, Tess Foose-kutty, Alyssa Smith, Brooke Barrett, Hannah Bumgarner, and Daniel Barnard and designed by Jonathan Copeland. The sun dial and Gateway Park sign were designed and fabricated by Burch.

What an opportunity for the Master Craftsman Program students at Kennesaw State University to be recognized for their creativity and talent," said Kennesaw Mayor Derek Easterling. "In addition, the experience gained through their collaborative efforts with the city has encouraged other businesses and students to join forces in showcasing art and building relationships throughout the community. Personally, I am looking forward to what part."

The sign, shade structure and sundial are the third phase of the partnership between Kennesaw and KSU's Master Craftsman Program. The city unveiled student-designed and fabricated benches at the Southern Museum and City Hall in

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November 2017, and eight decorative manhole covers at the City Hall Plaza in March 2019.



This opportunity gives students the real-world experience of going through the public art commission process, including selection, fabrication and installation. Additional art pieces will be installed late Summer 2019, which will include additional decorative manhole covers and benches.

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