

Town Hall Sculpture



On March 24, 2010, a sculpture was added to the landscape in front of the Danville Town Hall. This piece of artwork was created in 1980 by American sculptor, Betty Gold. The artist named it "Hollistic Image VIII", but to the Town staff, it's known affectionately as "Betty". The sculpture stands 16 feet tall and is 16 feet wide at the base. It weighs 8,000 lbs and required a crane to lift it into place. The geometric sculpture was crafted from a single plate of 1-inch thick raw steel. It was always the artist's intention to allow the steel to weather and rust naturally as it sits exposed to the outdoor elements.

After several decades on display in their renowned sculpture garden, the Indianapolis Museum of Art donated the sculpture to the Town of Danville in 2009 along with another contemporary piece called "Nimrod" that resides in the courtyard in front of the old Town Hall location at 147 W. Main Street. Both sculptures add flavor and interest to the Main Street corridor and demonstrate that our community is interested in expanding the historical, cultural, and creative knowledge of its citizens and visitors.