

Dolman gets his bronze work done at the Artcast foundry on Armstrong Avenue in Georgetown, known for creating famous pieces such as the Juno Beach Memorial in Eric Knoespel started the foundry in 1964, and with a team that includes his son Marcus and daughter Mona, has built a strong reputation among North American sculptors.

Bronzes are made with the "lost wax process", similar to that used in ancient Egypt. The create an initial mould, in pieces that can be put together to form an empty space, matching the original sculpture. This can be used to make multiple copies of the art.

for larger works). Small wax bars called sprues are added to the duplicate. These will create and air to escape.

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The wax duplicate is coated with layers of ceramic slurry and stucco to create a strong shell, which is then heated with steam to melt out the wax. It is then cured in a furnace, preheated and encased in sand to accept the pouring of molten bronze. Once the metal cools, the ceramic is chipped away, the sprue system is removed and the surface texture is restored. the ceramic is chipped away, the sprue system is removed and the surface texture is restored

The final sculpture can then be polished or patinated - a chemical process to colourize selected surface areas



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