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Developing a Custom Cast Bronze Sculpture

For more than twenty-five years, Metropolitan Galleries has catered to the field of developing exclusive bronze statuary and fountains. Our talented team of designers and sculptors can bring an idea or vision to life. Below are the details in developing a custom bronze sculpture.

Our skilled sketch artist will begin a sketched rendering of the desired sculpture concept. Once the sketches are finalized, our sculptor begins the process of carving the statue in wax and clay, following the details of the artist rendering.

The process of creating a custom bronze sculpture takes approximately three to six months. This includes the sculpting process from clay and the artist renderings. After the clay mould is completed, a rubber mold is developed, followed by chasing the sculpture in wax.



After the clay mould is created and the wax chasing process is completed, then the molten bronze can be poured into the mould, resulting in an exact replica of the original carved sculpture. Once the cast bronze has cooled, then a separate artist will begin applying a chemical compound with an open-flame to the bronze. This is called the patina. Different chemical compounds result in a different color patina that will be emitted to the bronze.

Once the sculpture is finished, it will be placed on our container with our other bronze sculptures to be delivered to our warehouse, which is an approximate forty-five-day transit time. From there, we inspect the sculpture and take necessary photos before then shipping the completed product to the client's desired destination.

Photos will be provided throughout the entire process of developing the sculpture. For more information regarding developing a custom sculpture, please call our office and speak to our custom projects development team.