

GREAT CONFUCIUS

Title: Great Confucius

Artist: Willy Wang

Date: 2009

Type: Sculpture

Medium: Bronze

Location: Hermann Park



Located in the sculpture garden next to the Houston Garden Center, [Willy Wang's](#) bronze sculpture of Confucius was dedicated on September 26, 2009. The date commemorated the 30th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and America and the 2,560th anniversary of Confucius's birth. The sculpture was given to the City of Houston to represent goodwill and friendship between the Chinese and American peoples.

Wang began work on the sculpture on February 21st, 2009. On May 6th, 2009, the clay statue was molded into a rubber model and was sent to a foundry in Bastrop to be cast in bronze. A 1962 graduate of the Beijing Central Academy of Fine Arts, Wang immigrated to the United States in 1981. He is an American Emmy Awards recipient and is a member of the National Sculpture Society and the Chinese Artists Society.

