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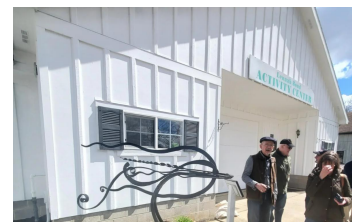
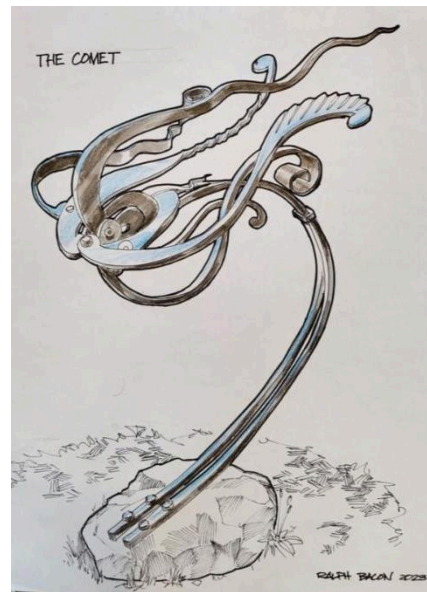
April 2024

The Comet

The Western Reserve Artists Blacksmith Association unveiled a sculpture this month titled, "The Comet". Originally forged as part of their 2023 Conference project, the piece was conceived by member Ralph Bacon. The metal sculpture is mounted on a granite stone, which is a glacial erratic brought to Burton, Ohio, from Canada, dragged under a mile of ice during the last Glacial age, around 11-14,000 years ago.



The unveiling took place during a 3-day Solar Eclipse Festival at Century Village Museum in Burton, Ohio.





Call for Entries

Tools as Art

Submission deadline May 1, 2024

Exhibition on view
June 1 - October 1, 2024

*This Featured Forgings
online exhibition will focus on
tools both as sculptural materials
and discrete objects.*



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TONG TUESDAY

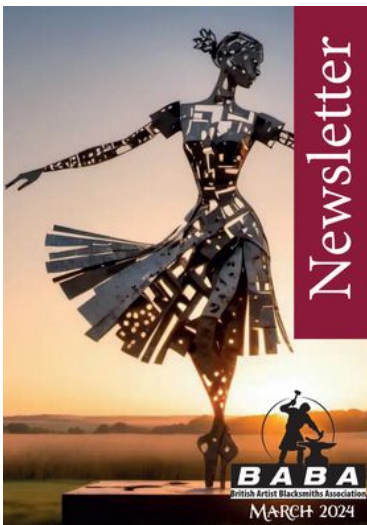
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