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Interning at Vanguard Sculpture Services
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Desherondra’s aha moment:

“Seeing the whole process of what goes on in a foundry, how much work and how much skill you need to turn a person’s artwork into a totally different element.”

How did your internship opportunity happen?
One of my art professors, Richard Moninski, and my on-sight advisor, Carole Spelic’, recommended this internship to me.

How does your internship complement your academic goals?
I am an art major and it is teaching me a variety of methods for creating art.

How are you spending your days?
I spend my days learning techniques to process artwork into bronze. I work on mold making, wax chasing, welding, devesting, sand blasting and casting. I do maintenance for the supplies that are used for all of the processes. I also learned how to hang an art show.

What has been the best part of this experience?
The best part of this experience has been learning from other people.

What types of skills are you learning?
Being able to learn from people who have been doing this for years and hearing first-hand the best and worst parts of the job. I also love the fact that everything that I have learned I can use somewhere else. They let me make my own piece and do the whole process of making it into a bronze piece.

Desherondra is pictured at work in the foundry at Vanguard Sculpture Services

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