

Seven Grandfathers

Jason Quigno

Jason Quigno was inspired at a young age by the work of his uncle. He studied with



master stone carvers. He is now the most well known and respected Anishinaabe sculptor in the Midwest. Quigno's work appears in collections and exhibitions around the country. His pieces range in size from small animal figurines to a 100,000 pound sculpture. Jason Quigno can take a heavy block of hard, rigid stone and turn it into a seemingly weightless series of flowing forms, curling and interlocking with a distinct sense of movement.

Seven Grandfathers is a contemporary totem that represents the seven grandfather's teachings.

1.Humility 2. Bravery 3.Honesty. 4.Wisdom. 5.Truth. 6.Respect 7.Love
This sculpture sends the message that we are all connected through the Anishinaabe elder's teachings which will lead us to live an honorable and good life.

Walk around the sculpture

Look at the circles, through the circles, count the circles.

What do you see? What surrounds each circle?

How many circles are on each side?

Feel the surface of 7 Grandfathers.

Smooth? Rough?

Trace the movement coming from each circle.

Does it remind you of the sun?

How do the shapes and movement connect to the teachings of the 7 grandfathers?

A teacher is the center of knowledge. (open circle)

Their words come from the center and spread to those who listen. (spiral lines)

Listen closely and you will learn many things...

From these elders.



