The Contemporary Austin is loaning the city's Parks and Recreation Department a large sculpture for long-term display at the new Perry Park in Northwest Austin, museum and park officials announced today.

Standing about eight feet tall, Jim Huntington's "Dayton" is a large granite and steel sculpture that was acquired in the late 1970s when the museum was known as Laguna Gloria. For years it was displayed on the Laguna Gloria grounds.

"Dayton" has already been installed and will be dedicated Jan. 15.

Additional sculpture is planned for Perry Park, a small neighborhood park on Balcones Drive.
The Contemporary has made strategic long-term loans of outdoor sculptures to other local institutions and parks including Umlauf Sculpture Garden and Museum and St. Michael’s Catholic Academy.

The museum is also pursuing subsequent phases of collaboration with Perry Park, additional projects with the Austin Parks and Recreation Department and partnerships with other public and private entities in the city.