

The Commission: A memorial to Nelson Mandela

The Commissioning Body: The Nelson Mandela Scottish Memorial Foundation
For information on this registered charity see <https://mandelascottishmemorial.org/>

What/The Commission: A bronze sculpture on granite plinth as a memorial to Nelson Mandela. Scale approx. 1.5 x life-size.

Figurative in style.

Dark grey South African granite for the plinth has been procured and will be produced to agreed artist specification at Fyfe Glenrock, Old Meldrum, Aberdeenshire.

Where:

The Foundation has Planning Consent for a site in Nelson Mandela Place, Glasgow (adjacent to Blood Transfusion Service building and The Faculty of Procurators building). Investigatory trenches have been undertaken on site and a full report on site conditions and constraints is available.

When:

The target for completion of the memorial is August 2026 with unveiling planned for October 2026.

Value:

£100K including VAT. This budget includes sculptor's fee, the bronze including casting fees, the design of the plinth (but not the material and production costs for the granite plinth) and transportation of the bronze to agreed site.

Selection:

From expressions of interest a longlist will be developed. Following submission of initial design concepts a short list of maximum 5 artists will be selected. These artists will be invited to submit full proposals with maquettes and 3D visualisations. A fee of £2000 per artist will be provided for this selection stage.

Expressions of Interest:

For full Design Brief and to submit an Expression of Interest, please contact jmgcarson@gmail.com and copy please to johnnelson48@yahoo.co.uk