

## MOBIUS BENCH, A SPARE PARTS ART INSTALLATION APRIL 19, 2012

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The Fort Worth Avenue Development Group is proud to announce the first installment of the Spare **PARTS** Art Initiative. The Mobius Bench by the team of Erik Glissman and Nicole Cullum Horn was selected by a Jury Panel of Dallas arts professionals from the three finalists. The work is to be installed along Fort Worth Avenue this summer.



**The Mobius Bench** will be a dynamic structure that will provide seating and shade for pedestrians along the Ft. Worth Avenue corridor. This bench is a seemingly simple round shape yet in its curvature becomes intriguingly complex. Following the infinite curve of the Mobius strip, the structure will arch over and around it's patrons to provide shade against the Texas summer sun. As the arch returns to the ground it will end in two round benches that are situated diagonally across from each other. The benches are designed to face each other to encourage conversation in an effort to get the local population to think critically and talk about art in an everyday setting.

The FWADG would like to thank all the artists who submitted ideas for this project, with a special salute to the two finalists, Heather Ezell, Jennifer Sereno, and the jury who made the tough decisions – Wanda Dye (UTA), Bernardo Diaz (SMU), Kay Kallos (Chair, Office of Cultural Affairs), Sarah Jane Semrad (Art Conspiracy Founder), and VET (NEA artist, re-purposing specialist.)

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### ABOUT SPARE **PARTS**

Spare **PARTS** is an initiative by the Fort Worth Avenue Development Group to bring vibrant art by area artists to be publicly displayed in West Dallas. To raise the funds for Spare **PARTS** the FWADG set aside 50% of the proceeds from sales at their annual fundraiser in June 2011. Our goal is to support the ingenuity and DIY spirit of the area, and to encourage street life and pride along Fort Worth Avenue.