



APPLETON ART CENTER

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(Appleton, June 18, 2010) Appleton Art Center announced today a gift of 14 African stone sculptures — seven for Appleton Art Center and seven for Lawrence University— from Milwaukee art gallery owner David Barnett. The sculptures were created by members of the Shona Tribe of Zimbabwe from a variety of stones, including opal and serpentine.

“This is a tremendous gift of phenomenal stone sculpture,” remarked executive director Timothy Riley. “If you had to pick 10 of the 20th century’s most gifted sculptors, more than a few would be from the Shona Tribe. We are grateful to David Barnett for bringing Africa to Appleton.”

Several of the works have been donated in memory or honor of people with special ties to Appleton Art Center and the Fox Valley community. Appleton Art Center’s seven sculptures will be included in an August exhibition *Modern Masterpieces of African Sculpture*. The seven sculptures given to Lawrence are currently installed in various locations on the Lawrence campus.

“I Will Speak,” a work by Jorum Zinyeka was donated in memory of James Auer, a decades-long reporter and art critic for the *Milwaukee Journal*, *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, and the *Appleton Post-Crescent*. Wilbert Samapundo’s “In the Winter,” was donated in memory of longtime art center member and Lawrence University professor *emeritus* Gervais E. Reed. Esau Karuru’s “Spiritual Face” was given in honor of art center executive director, Timothy Riley.

Colleen Madamombe (1964–2009; Shona Tribe, Zimbabwe)
Illustrator C-9, black serpentine
Gift from David Barnett Gallery



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Rangarirai Makunde (Shona Tribe, Zimbabwe)
Proud of Herself, opal
Gift from David Barnett Gallery



Rangarirai Makunde
Shy Lady, opal

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Wilbert Samapundo (b. 1976 Shona Tribe, Zimbabwe)
Lonely Woman, black serpentine
Gift from David Barnett Gallery



Wilbert Samapundo (b.1976)
Lonely Woman, black serpentine

Wilbert Samapundo (b. 1976 Shona Tribe, Zimbabwe)
The Winter Season, black serpentine
Gift from David Barnett Gallery
In memory of Gervais E. Reed



Wilbert Samapundo (b.1976)
The Winter Season, black serpentine
Gift in memory of Gervais E. Reed

Esau Karuru (b. 1979; Shona Tribe, Zimbabwe)
Spiritual Face, opal
Gift from David Barnett Gallery
In honor of Timothy Riley

Jorum Zinyeka (Shona Tribe, Zimbabwe)
I Will Speak, blackish green serpentine
Gift from David Barnett Gallery
In memory of James Auer