



MAYOR'S REPORT  
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# Legislative Update on Full Restoration of Washington State Ferry Service



The Washington State Legislature wrapped up the 2024 short 60-day legislative session in early March. The state Supplemental Transportation Budget adopted by the Legislature during the 2024 session increased funding for Washington State Ferries.

What the increased state funding will do:

- Provide additional support for the planned construction of 5 new of ferries and electrification of 3 ferries
- Preserve and maintain existing fleet
- Enhance workforce development
- Provide passenger-only ferry service for Bremerton (continued) and Vashon (new)
- Convene ferry work group on funding, study economic impacts of ferry service and update passenger-only ferry service study

This was a collaborative effort to help provide resources to restore full ferry service. Thank you to all our partners and those involved in this important endeavor!



# Quincy Square Sculpture Update



- The Arts Commission convened an ad hoc committee to select artist for sculpture -- the “Call to Artists” was released in fall 2023
- Important themes included: artwork that celebrates Quincy Jones, music, and African American history in Bremerton
- Dozens of artists submitted qualifications – the committee selected 6 finalists
- James Dinh and Michael Stutz were selected from finalists
- Contract will come to City Council for approval in coming months
- Sculpture image is initial concept and may change as project develops

*The art concept is a likeness of Quincy Jones constructed of woven metal strips. The artist is James Dinh with collaborator Michael Stutz.*

## Size

- Bronze sculpture will be approximately 7 feet high.
- Lower tier of the concrete podium will be 10 feet in diameter. Upper tier will be 7 feet in diameter. Each tier will be 1 foot high.
- Tile photographs will be approximately 6 inches high.

