## **Public Art Fact Sheet**

## Grow

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Grow

Year: 2011

Location: Corner of Queen and Merton Streets,

Altona Meadows.

**Materials:** Grow is constructed using a corten steel skin with an oxidized patina. It is supported by an internal galvanized pipe super structure. The stamen is mirrored stainless steel.

**"Grow** – to cultivate, raise, nature – is a symbol of looking to the future of potential, of hope.

The sculpture reflects the history of the area, with a central reflective 'face', mirroring the surrounding community.

**Grow** is also a celebration of the diverse population of the neighborhood, the flower being an emblem of friendship and respect recognizable to all ages and cultures. Flowers create feelings of joy and wellbeing and this single, imposing flower, like Jack's beanstalk leading to the sky, will be a focal point of optimism for the future as well as an expression of commitment to sustainability and the environment." Jonathan Leahey

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