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# Henrietta Lacks Sculpture Dedication

*11 o'clock in the morning  
 October 4, 2023*

*Lacks Plaza  
 410 3rd Street  
 Roanoke, Virginia, 24011*

## Welcome

- Councilmember Trish White-Boyd

## Hidden in Plain Site: Roanoke

- Dontrese Brown

## Comments by the Family

- Ron Lacks  
 - Attorney Ben Crump

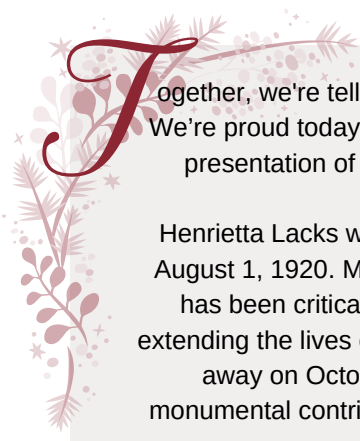
## Comments by the Artists

- Bryce Cobbs  
 - Lawrence Bechtel

## Unveiling and Gifting

- Charles Price, Harrison Museum of African  
 American Culture  
 - Mayor Sherman P. Lea, Sr.





Together, we're telling overlooked stories of Roanoke's Black history. We're proud today to honor native daughter Henrietta Lacks, with the presentation of a sculpture by Larry Bechtel and Bryce Cobbs.

Henrietta Lacks was born Loretta Pleasant in Roanoke, Virginia, on August 1, 1920. Mrs. Lacks was the source of the HeLa cell line that has been critical to countless advances in medicine, saving and extending the lives of people around the world. Henrietta Lacks passed away on October 4, 1951, and today her cells continue their monumental contribution. In Virginia, October 4 is now recognized as Henrietta Lacks Day.

This sculpture is the result of our work as a community. More than 250 individuals and organizations contributed to the effort. The Hidden Histories Committee, under the fiscal agency and leadership of the Harrison Museum of African American Culture, thanks you for your contributions, your energy, and your work toward an ever more aware, just, and loving Roanoke. In that spirit, we present this sculpture as a gift to the people of Roanoke, Virginia.

#### Platinum

- Appalachian Power
- Carilion Clinic, Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine, and the Fralin Biomedical Research Institute at Virginia Tech
- City Of Roanoke

#### Silver

- Diane and Bill Elliot
- Blue Ridge Cancer Care

#### Bronze

- American National Bank
  - Delta Dental
  - Heywood Fralin
  - R. P. Fralin, Inc.
  - Patrick Henderson
  - Sam Lionberger
- Sue and Michael Nussbaum
- Suzanne Thorniley
- Mary Ann and David Wine

#### Champions

Sally Adams  
Suzanne Alexander  
American Health Care  
Susan Amos  
Brenda Anderson  
Sheryl Ann  
Erin Aukward  
Judy Aukward  
Kirk Ballin  
Bank of Botetourt  
Maryke Barber  
Leisa Barbour  
Davida Basham  
Pamela Baynard  
Lawrence Bechtel  
Michael Belcher  
Marit Berntson  
Eva Best  
N.L. Bishop  
Sharon Boggess  
Jesse Bookout  
Jenny Bradley  
Christine Brinckerhoff  
Nancy Bourne  
Colbert Boyd  
Buffalo Soldiers, Roanoke  
Alice Burlinson  
Sharon Burnham  
Karen Busher  
Nora Carter  
Libby Pinel Casey  
Brenda Chapman  
Jim Cherney  
Richard Chubb & Family  
Judith Cline  
Gloria Christen  
Eleanor Clark  
Dorothy Clifton  
Clifton Family Fund  
Judith Cline  
Joseph Cobb  
Kathy Cohen  
Sarah Cohen  
Beverly Coleman  
James Colleen  
Tikimena Coltrane

Rajeyah Congleton-Rahman  
Adams Construction  
Hadassah Coolac  
Caryl Connolly  
Lily Corwin  
Patricia Cox  
Elyse Crane  
Gary Crawford  
Gary Creasy  
Constance Crutchfield  
Rupert Cutler  
Virginia Danz  
Larry Davidson  
Myra Dendy  
Jitendra & Varsha Desai  
Allison Divers  
Helen Dixon  
Nancy & David Dixon  
Ruth Doan  
Jo Lynn Draper  
Rebecca Dudley  
Alice Duehl  
Jenna Fidler  
Dusty Fiedler  
Craig Fifer  
Dr. William Fintel  
Cathy Fisher  
Eric Fitzpatrick  
Luann Fitzpatrick  
Frank Flippin  
William Floyd  
James Fortuna  
Anne Fox  
James Fralin  
William Fralin, Jr.  
Susan Jennifer Friedman  
G. Franklin Flippin Charitable Gifts  
Jan Garrett  
Carol Geller  
Hilda Getz  
Marjorie Glasscock  
Anna Goltz  
Marie Grewe  
Elizabeth Gunter  
Alan Guyes  
Ann Hackworth

Laura Hagan  
Brenda Hale  
Patricia Hales  
Elizabeth Hally  
Abigail Hamilton  
Brenda Hamilton  
Daniel Harrington  
Nelson Harris  
Joy Harris  
In Memory of Pat Harrison  
Cheri Hartman  
Carey Harveycutter  
Sadie Hartzog  
Melissa Hays-Smith  
Thelma Haynesworth  
Heights Community Church  
Michael Heller  
Deborah Helms  
Ericka Henson  
Amy Hoots-Henderson  
Bill Hopkins  
Marcia Horn  
Kelly Hubka  
Catherine Hurst  
William Hutcheson  
Douglas Jackson  
Cassidy James  
Hulannie Jenkins  
Alan Johnson  
David Jones  
Evelyn Jordan  
David Kasakove  
Sarah Beth Katz  
Matthew Keele  
Stephanie Klein-Davis  
Decca Knight  
Kathy Kerkerling  
Debbie Lyford King  
Linda Kirkwood  
Decca Knight  
Ryan LaFountain  
Ronald Lanier  
Sherman P. Lea, Sr.  
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Lee Lear  
Lee Andrew Learn