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### **Renowned Artist Tom Corbin finds home, new studio in Wyandotte County**

After 23 years in the River Market, Tom Corbin has moved his studio, showroom and offices to the firehouse located in Rosedale, Kansas. Built in 1912, this historic building has an alluring past as former firehouse, city hall and most recently a private residence. While the jail cell, bank safe and brass fire pole remain, the building has been transformed into pristine gallery space, modern offices and of course, artist's studio.

"We could not be more thrilled about Tom Corbin's initiative to take over the historic firehouse in Rosedale," said Wendy Wilson, Executive director of the Rosedale Development Association. "The Corbin Firehouse created with a cool, modern interior and sculpture garden yet preserving the historic exterior is a nod to our past and our future from which the community can take inspiration and pride."

Based in Kansas City, Tom Corbin's work appears in 23 galleries and showrooms internationally. Tom is known for his signature elongated bronze figures and for his bronze lighting and furniture designs that are not only functional, but serve as intriguing art pieces themselves.

Public installation sites include the United Nations, The Kauffman Foundation, the Firefighters Memorial, the Children's Fountain, University of Oregon and Florida State University. Individual collectors include Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hanks, Ellen DeGeneres, George Brett and the late Frank Sinatra. In addition to important public and private collections, his work has found its way onto the sets of some major motion pictures and television shows, among them Obsessed, True Lies, A Perfect Murder, Changing Lanes and HBO's In Treatment.

"Having a celebrated artist like Tom Corbin relocate to our community is a great addition for Wyandotte County, but also specifically for our growing artist community," Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City Kansas Mayor Joe Reardon said. "We are excited to extend a warm welcome to Corbin Bronze on behalf of the entire community."

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