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Jane ’77 and Kelly ’76 Littlefield have given year over year to the University of Maine in

a very unique way. While driving through the University of Maine campus, their

donations are prominently displayed, effectively becoming landmarks for the UMaine

community. Through sculpture, the Littlefields give creatively and generously to their

university. In 2014, Jane and Kelly’s initial contributions of sculpture were four works

from their personal collection to UMaine in honor of Nat Diamond ’63, Jane’s father.

These pieces can be seen in the gardens at Buchanan Alumni House in Orono.

At their Littlefield Gallery in Winter Harbor, ME, Kelly and Jane diligently curate and

display collections of art by Maine artists. Through their many connections in the art

world, the Littlefields have created fresh relationships between artists and UMaine. In

addition to their donations of art to the university, in 2015 Jane and Kelly created the

Littlefield Gallery Sculptor-in-Residence program, which helps fund visiting sculptors to

lecture and teach at the University of Maine.

Hugh Lassen was the most recent sculptor to visit the UMaine campus as a product of

this program. He brought with him his completed work, Rhino, which was carved from

granite found in the Lassen’s blueberry field. Rhino was finished at UMaine so students

could watch Hugh’s process.

“What we hope to do is bring sculpture to the campus, to encourage support for it here.

We are unabashedly going out to encourage people to embrace the idea. We think

UMaine is extremely well placed for sculpture and in particular stone sculpture. In doing

so, it promotes the campus itself,” said Kelly.

“We want people to engage enthusiastically in the conversation in the hopes that maybe

the so- called third phase--the creation of a new sculpture building sitting between the

Engineering Building and the Collins Center for the Arts--would be possible. Keeping

the energy in the conversation, keeping it in the forefront of people’s minds, is what we

have been attempting to do for four years and we will continue to do that.”

In 2016 Jane and Kelly’s generous, annual donations earned them membership in the

Foundation’s Stillwater Society. For years to come, their contributions will grace the

UMaine campus and lives of students, faculty, staff, and visitors to UMaine.

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