The Runners

Chicago, United States of America

Dedicated in 2011 and located along the approach road at O'Hare International Airport, the 16' tall "Runners" sculpture was a gift of the Chicago-Athens Sister Cities Committee. The sculpture was designed by Dr. Theodoros Papagiannis, a professor at the School of Fine Arts in Athens. 2.25" thick stainless steel plates were extended down into a concrete foundation to prevent any connections from being visible. Finite element modelling was used to determine the stresses and deflections in the rather complicated sculptural elements.