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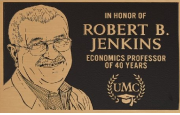
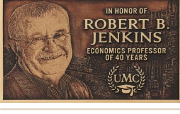
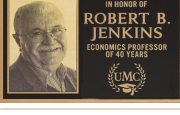
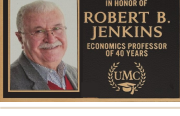
Photo & Portrait Plaques

Five ways to put a face, a photograph or full-color artwork on a cast metal plaque — from sculpted bas relief to full-color print — matched to the setting, the budget and the photograph you have.

DESCRIPTION

A photograph can be carried on a plaque several ways, each with its own look, cost, size limit and lifespan. Sculpted and cast methods are permanent outdoors; etched portraits render the photo as a fine halftone; printed inserts give true color for interior and sheltered settings. The portrait is an add-on to any cast bronze or aluminum plaque. Sculpted portraits are the artist's interpretation — about 80% likeness is the realistic expectation.

PORTRAIT METHODS

	Bas relief	Sculpted 3-D portrait cast in bronze or aluminum, 3/4"–1" relief, 4"–24" tall, attached to the plaque; sculptor's model approved before casting. Premium method for memorials; allow 12 weeks or more
	Flat relief	Two-dimensional cast rendering raised from the background — the economical cast alternative to bas relief; interior or exterior
	PhotoRelief	Photograph blended into the casting itself, up to 36" × 24" — suits narrative, historical and multi-photo plaques; about six weeks
	Etched portrait	Photograph rendered as a 50-line halftone, etched and black paint-filled on brushed metal; up to 10" standard, larger by quotation. Needs a high-contrast photo; reads as a fine line drawing
	Full-color printed insert	Photograph or logo UV-printed at up to 1200 dpi on a metal insert set into the plaque; up to 10" standard. Lifetime interior / 7-year exterior; direct print available on tooled and etched plaques

PHOTOGRAPH REQUIREMENTS

- High resolution, sharp focus, evenly lit; subject centered, not cropped tight
- Send the original file unedited — PSD, TIF, JPG or PNG; no screenshots or low-resolution scans
- Etched portraits need strong contrast; bas relief works best from a three-quarter view
- Send the photo with the quote request so the right method can be recommended

Two additional renditions are included after the initial proof, then \$75 each; no refund on the photo portion once production starts.

LEAD TIME

Bas relief: 12 weeks or more. PhotoRelief: about six weeks. Flat relief, etched portraits and printed inserts add one to two weeks to the standard cast lead time. Plan accordingly for event-driven installations.

WARRANTY & CARE

Lifetime guarantee on the plaque and on sculpted, cast and etched portraits (excludes plaques flat on the ground); printed images lifetime interior / seven-year exterior. Patina and fading are not defects.

Clean with warm water and mild dish soap on a soft cloth. No abrasives, bleach, ammonia or pressure washing.

Photo & Portrait Plaques — Guide Specification & Submittals



GUIDE SPECIFICATION

CSI three-part format, Section 10 14 16. Edit the bracketed options to suit the project.

SECTION 10 14 16 – PLAQUES

PART 1 GENERAL

1.01 SECTION INCLUDES

- A. Cast metal plaques with photographic or sculpted portrait elements.

1.02 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: Supplier's data sheet for each plaque and portrait method.
- B. Shop Drawings: Dimensions, layout, text and graphics, portrait location, mounting and attachment.
- C. Digital proof (and sculptor's model photo for bas relief) for approval prior to production.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.01 PLAQUES

- A. Supplier: American Cast Bronze Plaques, LLC; (844) 927-6693; americancastbronzeplaques.com.
- B. Plaque: Cast [bronze, Alloy NAVY-G-88-8-04] [aluminum, Alloy 365] per supplier's cast plaque data sheet.
- C. Portrait: [Bas relief, sculpted, cast in [bronze] [aluminum], 3/4 to 1 inch relief] [Flat relief] [PhotoRelief, cast integral] [Etched halftone portrait insert] [Full-color printed insert].
- D. Background: [Stipple] [Leatherette] [Sand]; [black] [dark oxide] [brown].
- E. Protective Coating: Clear coat, [satin] [semi-gloss] [gloss] [matte].
- F. Mounting: [Concealed blind studs] [Face screws with rosettes] [Post].

2.02 SOURCE PHOTOGRAPHS

- A. Owner furnishes high-resolution, uncropped photographs; likeness is the artist's interpretation, approved at proof.

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.01 INSTALLATION

- A. Install per supplier's instructions with mechanical attachment and construction adhesive.

SUPPLIER · GOVERNMENT BUYERS

American Cast Bronze Plaques, LLC · (844) 927-6693
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 Veteran-Owned Small Business · SAM.gov registered
 UEI ULKHHNYPPJR9 · CAGE 9X1T2
 Purchase orders accepted

ORDERING & APPROVALS

- **Quotation** — written quotes are valid for 60 days. Purchase orders accepted from government agencies, schools and institutions.
- **Proofs** — a digital proof is provided for every plaque before production; nothing is produced until the proof is approved in writing or through the online approval page.
- **Shop drawings** — dimensioned drawings showing hole locations, mounting and edge detail are provided on request for architect and contractor submittals.
- **Text** — final wording is supplied by the owner; ACBP confirms text fit on the proof but does not proofread content.
- **Artwork** — logos, seals and symbols are accepted as vector art; raster artwork can be redrawn for a fee.

TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

- Memorial and tribute plaques
- Founder, benefactor and dedication portraits
- Historical and narrative plaques with period photographs
- Building and campus dedications
- Military and government seals
- Pet and garden memorials

RELATED PRODUCTS

Cast bronze and cast aluminum plaques (the base plaque for any portrait) · Etched bronze, brass and stainless plaques (halftone photo etching up to 24" × 24") · Tooled plaques with direct full-color print.



Want the full picture?

Materials, processes, finishes, mounting and sizing are explained in plain language in **The Metal Plaque Buyer's Guide** on our website:

americancastbronzeplaques.com/cast-plaque-information-buying-guide/

Specifications subject to change without notice. Confirm current options at time of order. PDS-PH rev. 2026-10.