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Must-See New Public Art Across the Globe

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Yrsula von Rydingsvard "Ona" at the Barclay's Center in Brooklyn, NYC -- Photo by Piotr Redlinski

New York City: Barclays Center

The contemporary art commissions at Brooklyn's Barclays Center keep on coming as the behemoth arena recently installed Brooklyn-based artist Ursula von Rydingsvard's 20-foot bronze sculpture "Ona" out in front. "Ona," which in Polish means "her," is constructed from 50 individually-cast bronze sections. The installation of the sculpture comes just before the screening of a new Brooklyn-themed video work by artist collective OpenEndedGroup to mark Barclays's one year anniversary. The new video, "All Day," which is set to debut on the entrance's outdoor video screen October 10, is the group's second Barclays outing, as their video "After Ghostcatching" inaugurated the new building in 2012 along with a Mickalene Thomas mural and a 70foot-long painting by Miami-born, Brooklynbased artist José Parlá. Barclays board-member David Berliner, who is responsible for the contemporary art programming, appears to be positioning the arena as not only a sports, shopping, and entertainment complex, but also a place to see trendy public art. - Ashton Cooper