Toby by W. Sandy Proctor
That friendly-looking Labrador retriever beside the bench is actually a bronze sculpture by Tallahassee artist, W. Sandy Proctor. The friendly woman beside the Lab is Joann Brooks, who donated the sculpture to Summerville. A quiet woman who works in the Greater Summerville/Dorchester County Chamber of Commerce, Joann decided to obtain the sculpture to celebrate the life of her late husband, John, who was won over by the unconditional love of a yellow Lab that appeared one day when John was quite ill.

The dog, who the Brooks named Toby, remained with John during his entire illness and then disappeared shortly after John’s death. A few days later, Joann discovered Toby waiting for her in her garage. When she let him out the next morning, he walked around the house once and then sat down in the front yard, just looking at her. “When he got up and walked away,” Joann remembers, “I knew I’d never see him again. I called to him, but he never turned around. It was as if he’d come to say goodbye.”

Now Toby is the never-wandering companion of anyone who relaxes on the bench in Azalea Park, and a wonderful reminder of the power and comfort of a pet’s presence.

Follow the Leader by W. Stanley Proctor
The third sculpture to be installed in Azalea Park was Follow the Leader, dedicated in February 2002. Engineered to allow and even encourage children to have contact with the pieces, the bronze life-sized images of five playful children and their dog have been installed on a low serpentine brick wall near the amphitheater in Azalea Park.

Follow the Leader is the work of artist W. Stanley Proctor, and was a favorite at the 2000 Sculpture in the South Show & Sale.

After eight months of persistence and patience, this beautiful grouping came to Summerville, made possible through the generosity of hundreds of remarkable people in our community and a substantial grant from the Saul Alexander Foundation.

Anticipation and Whisper on the Wind by Diane D. Mason
Dr. David Price and his mother, Jean, purchased Anticipation and Whisper on the Wind by Diane D. Mason, in memory of David’s father. The two bronze sculptures depict life-sized foxes, one alertly sitting and expectantly licking his lips and the other standing only on his hind legs, curiously snuffing the air.

Neighbors have said they have seen a pair of live foxes scurrying through the east side of Azalea Park near the bronzes location. The dedication was held on November 8, 2002.

For Wind and Waves by Robert Allison
Friends and family of the late Jack Wilhanks, former Town of Summerville administrator, purchased For Wind and Waves, by Robert Allison. Jack had a life-long love of reading, and was impressed by the bronze sculpture depicting a little girl seated on a wall reading a book.
Boy of Peace by Gary Lee Price
Gift of Mr. and Mrs. James Millar of Atlanta, Ga. Artist Gary Lee Price states: “I want my work to make a difference in your life — a positive, uplifting difference — so that as you look at it in your home or office, or in a city park, municipal building or wherever, you feel life is awesome!” Located in the lobby of the Public Safety Complex, it was dedicated in 2005.

The Garden by Susie Chisholm
The Garden is the seventeenth bronze sculpture in Summerville’s permanent collection. This life-size brune depicting a mature woman seated serenely in a twig lawn chair is integrated into the surrounding landscape in the center of historic downtown in Hutchinson Park. Sculpture in the South is grateful for the generous support of Mary Beth Nethercutt, Holly Gaughf, Tommy Socha, Mr. and Mrs. James Millar of Atlanta, Otis Engelmann, and Mabel Goodyear.

Free Ride by Paul Rhymer
Free Ride appears as a life-size hippo protruding above the surface of a pond, with a bird perched on the hippo's backside. The bird is a Purple Gallinule, native to both the southeast United States and to southern Africa. Underwater engineering ensures that the bronze always appears on the surface of the water, despite the changing water depths of the rain-fed pond. To see Free Ride in its home in Shepard Park, travel south on U.S. Highway 17A, approximately 1.7 miles from Town Hall, bear right on Golf Road, turn right at the first stop sign onto Parkwood.

Mayor Berlin G. Myers by Garland Weeks
This has relief sculpture of Mayor Berlin G. Myers was installed in June 2010. Friends of the mayor commissioned the bronze because of the years of dedicated service Myers gave to the town of Summerville. The plinth is installed near the Town Hall and its Annex. An exterior site was selected to allow viewing of the sculpture at anytime during the day and night.

She’s a Keeper by Scott Penegar
This bronze turtle was dedicated on August 21, 2016 to honor Lena Cox, the first Board Chairman of Sculpture in the South. Her husband nicknamed her Turtle, and that’s what her grandchildren call her. She was a tireless, “hands-on” board chair who picked strawberries for the Sculpture events and cleaned the installed sculptures. We will keep her in our hearts!

Flying by Vala Ola
The bronze life-size sculpture of a young boy was dedicated on August 21, 2016. It was purchased by Cynthia Kornahrens and donated to Summerville as a happy memory of her late husband, Donnie Kornahrens.

River Rapture by Kim Shaklee
River Rapture is a magnificent bronze sculpture standing seven feet tall and weighing nearly 6,000 pounds. Depicting a single otter gliding under water, the long reeds of the papyrus and turtle-friendly pond welcome the otter home. Its location was home to Fantasy Flight. Dedicated in October 2009 through the generous support of Maud Westraco Corporation, Sculpture House and Chavant Inc.

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