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**Quick Description:** Bust of Joliet, approximately 30 inches tall, set above entrance door to Joliet Central High School.

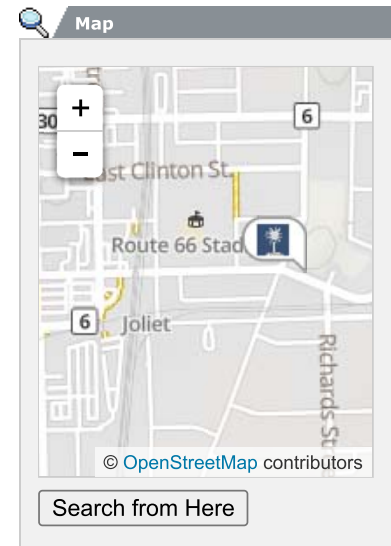
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#### Long Description:

From "Joliet in Photographs" 1909

"Our cover design is a photograph of the bust of Louis Joliett placed above the main entrance to the Joliet High School. It is the work of Will La Favor, a graduate of the Joliet public schools, and it is a pleasure to announce that this is the best portrait of the great explorer."

You have to look up to see him. The bust is green with patina and it almost looks like he is crying, probably due to weathering. Inscribed on the bottom is "Joliett."

Found on a fun waymarking expedition with my history-buff niece.

**TITLE:** Bust of Louis Joliet

**ARTIST(S):** La Favor, Will, b. 1861, sculptor.

**DATE:** ca. 1906-1910.

**MEDIUM:** bronze

**CONTROL NUMBER:** IAS 74350001

**Direct Link to the Individual Listing in the Smithsonian Art Inventory:** [\[Web Link\]](#)

**PHYSICAL LOCATION:**

Joliet Central High School, 201 East Jefferson, Joliet, IL above entrance

**DIFFERENCES NOTED BETWEEN THE INVENTORY LISTING AND YOUR OBSERVATIONS AND RESEARCH:**

none, although I suppose the Smithsonian should have gone with the sculptor's spelling of "Joliett"

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