

The Montrose Rock Carvings

This map shows the location of around 250 of the most interesting rock carvings in the Montrose Beach/Montrose Harbor area.

On this page the blue digits show the approximate number of sculpture-bearing blocks at each spot. There are typically more carvings in a location than these numbers show since one block can host multiple carvings. On the following pages the blue digits indicate the number of featured carvings at each location.

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Hundreds more carvings once lined the revetments along the outer edge of Montrose Harbor and in the area south of the Harbor entrance along the golf course. All but a few were lost when the old decayed stepstone structure was replaced with a concrete-and-steel platform along the harbor and a rubble-mound revetment to the south.

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5

Jeff + Denise, J.; JE + AH; August 4, 1973, Dave Turner Loves Barbara 4 Ever; Bob + Kathy; Tuna + Julie

3

ER + OM Love; Frankie Wassegijig; Bini 72

2

Gaylord, symbols. The Gaylords were an Uptown street gang; KB N UG, elaborate cross

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DB & RD, "I WUV YA DAINA."; Jack, BJ, Somar; Trish 83; Jack, Butch, symbols, unreadable name; Jerry, Bob, Eric, Jack, Brown, T

3

KA; Shari and her unreadable admirer; Paul HA

3

FP + EC (vertical); L (vertical); Dan DI

5

M.A.D.; PER, with a flourish; Loki; MH, E.V + J.C., level 1 (vertical); "V" peace sign gesture

3

BS 1948; Boner; Chuck 49

Rick B/S Carol

4

Crowned R; JH, Mantas E, Bill; Kotis, GCO; Dago Mel (buried)

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AI, G

Faded bathing beauty (center of stone), with writing

John; Swed

Denise N Alex; GEM 54; Dave; J,R,
perhaps added to an existing heart

Star, 1947, Willie Booker

Cody; Heart with Anna & Greek letters

JUZ, MECGE

2.J. Carric, C, THI, visible

Ed C. 54, OK, Bob; Kon-Tiki mask with moon and stars,
signed I.V; Mary and others, partly visible; Jitz, Kay, Mac,
Geri, Len and others, Always in my heart, partly visible

PP, Gomez

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Atrioa, buried

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RYA in heart, broken; Possibly nip + cy, with figure, fire-breathing C or flower, level 2; Look here, level 2 (vertical). Last 2 buried

RJS

2
D.D.; The Puerto Rican flag, with Erney, Jesus, Guy, Honkey

5
Johanna; Miranda * Erney; K-R, Honkey, 8-28-78, Guy, cross, Lil Rican, Z+P. All buried. Ken, D, X; Gypsy, both visible

Onexco(?) Licha, Licha

Lalo y Leti; Big Joe 1978

LOY 71, on row of stones inset from main revetment

2
Give, buried; 1974, John Locus

Doc Don #1; Jamie; Adrian

3
2
KKI heart SME, buried; Sinister face, Chiky, Hector

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July 02, Ricky -N- Danielle; R.I.P. Malo; Sue, Lynn, Mary, Boots, heart with Love written in it; 71, LS + CHI; Skull, stars, Santisima, Sausu

5 Chryy Never Die! D.S.; B+S Towing/Bob + Sue/1974; Bob + Sue. All buried. Mel + John 1974

Love Bob & Sue, Lynn Mary + Boots, 1974

L+M Heart, for Leilani and Mike Falger, level 2, carved 2023

B&S Towing/Bob Sue 74, others; elay; Sonia N= Hector with heart, S; Manuel with heart and ribbons

Honorio M

Ray Miller, Dana Bale, 10/74; Heart, level 2; A M in a heart, MV

Owe, level 2; Jose V; Rulas, buried

MB 74

Smiley face, CAB 312, level 2; MB 74; Bob Loves Sue Forsythe; Susan Slept Here Ha Ha Bob; EE RV in a heart

J heart H, level 2

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4 Roberto XE; Tribute to Monty the piping plover, R.I.O. 2017-2022, bird image, faded away; Star, carved by Don Di Sante; CL N JC

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Joel

Tuffy 10/4

Monty and Rose, the piping plovers, carved by Don Di Sante in 2022

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Fisherman and large fish

1996, Kirk D. with sun; G.C. + o; (?) + DC

A

LE Luv Bernie(?), with squiggly hearts; Kerry Luv Bernie(?); E, Devn, Buck in double hearts, "69" Baby, all three level 2; Rue, level 1

Judie; RVO, 7-11-01, both level 3; Remoh, Jim Taradick, Level 1; 6/13/73, Susie; Yousef, level 1; Frank, J Secluo; TEA, CI, level 3

Joan heart Julia, level 2; Tony; Mike + Mar, JF, JJM + SML 4Eva, level 1; Maddog, level 2; Mr. N, level 2; Vin McHugh 68; V, B; Norm, Marzy, Gush, Rob, Mike and many others, level 3; Steve Skinner, Jo; S.D.

1967, G, Spamure, level 1; Tina +, level 3; AM; Coonley Boys to the bone, level 3

Leo Was Here; Onel, level 3; Partial heart with MG, SD in a triangle, level 3; Bobby Hall; CB in heart with cross, level 3; Long-bearded profile, by J.G. M.S., level 3; OM 66, level 1

Eat Me, level 1; Al Green 78, level 3; Kevin N Emily; Steve "LEAD"



September 11, 1971, Mark Loves Karen, Candida, J.F. carving



CP



2

RR; B.B.



2

Donn; RL



PR



EB



2

Blanca y Jando, and Mayra y Jose, two hearts; Jane + Mike

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