

Burnt sculpture of FLOTUS Melania Trump representing 'tensions within the US' exhibited in Slovenia – artwork and tradition

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A burnt picket statue of Slovenian-born U.S. First Lady Melania Trump, described by the artist as representing tensions in america, goes on present at an artwork gallery within the Slovenian seaside city of Koper on Wednesday.

The statue was torched by unknown perpetrators whereas on present within the open air close to her delivery place Sevnica, on July 4, celebrated as Independence Day in america.

“This object (the burnt statue) someway represents a visible illustration of political tensions which can be erupting in my nation and never solely in my nation,” Berlin-based American artist Brad Downey informed Reuters.

The 40-year-old had commissioned the life-sized piece from a Slovenian folks artist Ales Zuperc. Trump was born in Slovenia in 1970 when it was nonetheless part of communist Yugoslavia.



Statues of Melania Trump are seen within the exhibition Fuck off phantasm from the artist Brad Downey in Koper, Slovenia, September 1, 2020.

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The First Woman's workplace didn't instantly reply to a request for remark.

Additionally on present are a plastic duplicate of the picket sculpture and moulds used to make a bronze statue of Trump that is because of be unveiled in Rozno close to Sevnica subsequent week, within the spot the place the picket statue used to face.

Downey mentioned the statue was torched at a time when quite a lot of statues of colonialists have been destroyed within the U.S. as part of the "Black Lives Matter" protests.



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Downey mentioned he created the Melania statues so as to encourage a dialogue on the political state of affairs in his nation that has a president sworn to lowering immigration though he's married to an immigrant.

Though the Melania picket statue's face was rough-hewn and didn't bear her facial options earlier than it was broken, the determine wears a pale blue coat just like the one she wore at Donald Trump's inauguration as U.S. president.

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