

"My mother often times describes the pain and or the feeling as a bone-on-bone type of experience and so I felt it was very important that I show the bone being exposed," he said.

He says that part of the sculpture has generated a lot of reaction. That's exactly what he wanted.

"The piece speaks for itself so they know that it's someone who's suffering," Larry said.

He's also happy that it generated a positive reaction from his mom. She told Larry she's proud of him.

"It was a great feeling. My mom is a woman of very few words and to hear her say she was very proud of me is a major thing for me," Larry said.

Osteoarthritis is the most common form of arthritis. It's estimated that it affects 27 million Americans.