



Joe Bertolozzi shows off his muse - The Mid-Hudson Bridge.

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A couple Weekends ago, we talked to Joe Bertolozzi, creator of Bridge Music - the sound installation right in time for this week's Quadricentennial celebrations. Last Saturday, Bertolozzi cut the ribbon officially opening Bridge Music to the public.

"It was just a simple concept on a large scale," Bertolozzi explained about his sound-art installation consisting of parts of the Mid-Hudson Bridge. He also talked about how the project took five years to complete with the help of many people in attendance for the ceremony.

"This is unique in the world," John Bellucci, spokesman for the state Bridge Authority said, "and it's right in our back yard."

Charlie North, Dutchess County Chamber President, noted how Bertolozzi's ambition was respectable - and maybe a little crazy.

Mayor John Tkazyik explained how important it is to have this installation in Poughkeepsie saying it "makes the Queen City sparkle."

Bridge Music can be heard through listening stations on the Mid-Hudson Bridge. Park radios have also been installed at Waryas Park on the Poughkeepsie waterfront and at Johnson-Iorio Park, adjacent to bridge's western entrance in Highland.



Bridge Authority's John Bellucci and Nancy Cozean, head of Poughkeepsie's Hudson-Fulton-Champlain Quadricentennial Committee.

Pictured, below: Alongside Joe Bertolozzi (center) for the ribbon-cutting ceremony were Mayor John Tkazyik, Senator Steve Saland, Bridge Authority's John Bellucci, Nancy Cozean and Dutchess County Arts Council President, Benjamin Krevolin.

