



**Title:** Jesus Christ Statue

**Catalog Number:** LPA12

**Artist:** Unknown

**Date:**1952

**Location:** City of Lubbock Cemetery, 2011 E. 31<sup>st</sup> Street, Lubbock, TX.

**Description:** A cast stone statue of Jesus Christ robed and holding out his hands. The statue is painted white and sits on a small-upraised hill in the city cemetery.

**History:** The art in Lubbock's city cemetery seems to be at high risk due to its isolation. In 1999 assumed "drunken youths" used metal vases to damage the Jesus statue, breaking off its hands and smashing in its face. The estimated cost of repair was \$10,000, a sum way too large for the

cemetery's budget to handle. It was not until four years later that local sculptor Kyle Pettit was asked and agreed to restore the statue. It is unclear as to how the project was funded. The statue was repaired but by 2007 it had been damaged again whether by vandals or simply environmental factors is unknown.

**Works Cited:** Fillpot, Dirk. "Vandalism Strikes Lubbock Cemetery." *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*,

March 9, 2000.

Langton, Elizabeth. "Statue of Jesus Christ Destroyed By Vandals." *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, March 6, 1999.

Langton, Elizabeth. "A Run of Bad Luck: Vandals, vehicle cause damage to city's cemetery." *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, March 30, 1999.

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**Material:** Cast stone, paint, metal frame, and concrete base.

**Dimensions:** 6' 9"

**Condition:** 5

**Owned By:** The City of Lubbock, P.O. Box 2000, Lubbock, TX 79457; (806) 775-3000.

**Commissioned By:** Unknown.

**Entered by:** Victoria Beles

**Date Entered:** 5/19/2007