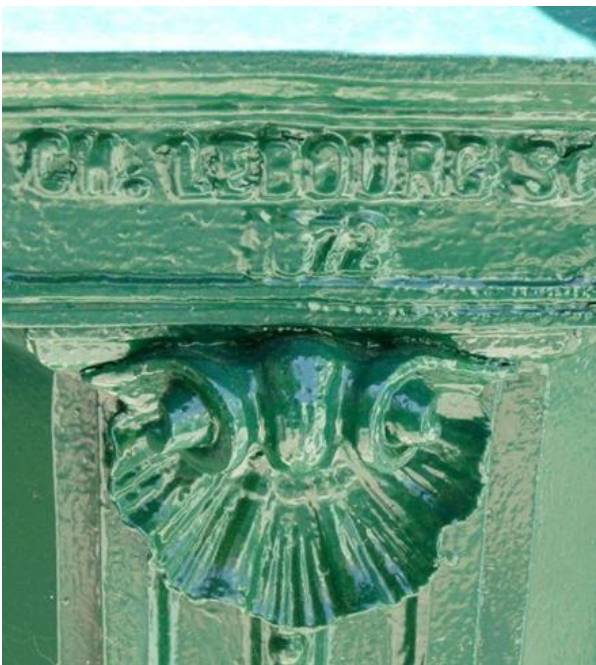


Wallace Fountain at Créon is a Cultural Symbol



This fountain can be found in Créon, a commune in the Gironde department in Nouvelle-Aquitaine in southwestern France. It is located on the patio of the town's cultural center.

It was thought to be acquired by Michel BASTIAT, during the time he was the mayor of Créon (1959-1977) and also a public works contractor. The exact details of when and how the fountain was acquired are unknown. Some believe it was one of Bordeaux's original fountains. After it was brought to Créon, it was "stored" to be used eventually as ornamental street furniture in the town.



The fountain was abandoned and disappeared until a teacher, Jean-Marie DARMIAN, who later became the town mayor (2008-2014), discovered it in an old moat when he was passing nearby with students.

Mayor Roger CAUMON (1977-1995) restored the fountain and had it installed on the patio of the town's cultural space. It was once painted pink but today it is green. Foundry markings indicate it is one of the older fountains cast sometime after 1872.

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