

Heidi Wastweet is a leading American Medallist and sculptor who specializes in bas-relief bronzes. In conjunction with a wide variety of private mints she has produced over 1000 coins, medals, tokens and rare coin replicas since 1987. She was chief engraver for Sunshine Mint for 11 years and lead designer/sculptor for Global Mint for 5 years. In 2001 she opened her own studio and relocated from Idaho to Seattle Washington in 2003 and then to San Francisco Bay in 2013. She serves as vice president for the American Medallist Sculpture Association and is former president and founder of Seattle Sculpture Guild as well as a member of FIDEM. She has been shown in Coin World and Coinage magazine and exhibits her non-commission work regularly including the National Sculpture Society in New York and the Bellevue Art Museum in Washington. In 2010 she was invited to serve a four year term on the Citizen's Coinage Advisory Committee for the US Mint in Washington DC and is now serving her second term.

Medal and coin credits include a 7 coin set issued by the Sultanate of Darfur, Asian Hall of Fame Award medal, the Dean's Award for Seattle University School of Law, Alumnus Award for Stephen F. Austin University, Mayo Clinic visiting physicians medal, Stanford University Alumni medal and Island records Willie Nelson portrait. In addition to medallist art she has also created a number of public art pieces including a recent commission for the University of Washington's Medal of Honor Monument in Seattle and eight bronze relief panels for 12 foot high church doors for St. Paul's in Pensacola, Florida.

Born Redwood City, California, US 1969

Resides in Albany CA (San Francisco Bay Area)

SELECTED SOLO & GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2016 Selected Works by Rainey Master Sculptors, 2014-2016 Brookgreen Gardens, Murrells Inlet, SC

FIDEM Art Medal Congress, Gent, Belgium

2015 Residency at Brookgreen Gardens, Murrells Inlet, SC

2014 FIDEM Art Medal Congress, juried show, Sofia Bulgaria

Go for a Loop Gallery, Under the Table invitational, San Francisco CA

Oakland Silver & Gold, solo exhibit, Oakland CA

Awarded 3rd place Best Art Medal in China 2013

2013 AMSA Anniversary Exhibit, Bellevue Art Museum Education Wing,
Bellevue WA*

*Best in show curator's choice award

AMSA Anniversary Exhibit, Brookgreen Gardens, Murrells Inlet, SC

2012 FIDEM Art Medal Congress, juried show, Glasgow, UK

2011 Brookgreen Gardens, The Art Medal: Past and Present, curated show,
Murrells Inlet, SC

2010 FIDEM Art Medal Congress, juried show, Tampere Finland

2009 Gage Academy, group show, Seattle WA

2007 Jade Moon, featured artist, Ellensburg WA

2006 Form Space Light Gallery, Pacific NW Sculptors group show, Seattle WA

Sam Day Gallery, "Women by Women" group show, Seattle WA

2005 Sam Day Gallery, solo show, Seattle WA

Forest Lawn Museum, American Medallic Sculpture Assoc. juried show, Los Angeles CA

2004 Art Spirit Gallery, Small Works Invitational, Coeur d'Alene ID

Sam Day Gallery, solo show, Seattle WA

Nordic Heritage Museum, American Medallic Sculpture Assoc. juried show, Seattle WA

2003 Raw Space, group exhibit, Spokane, WA

2002 Pen & Brush Club, 56th Annual Juried Sculpture Show, New York NY

National Sculpture Society, juried exhibit, New York NY

2000 Art Spirit Gallery, Small Works Invitational, Coeur d'Alene ID

American Academy of Equine Art, juried exhibit, Atlanta GA

1999 Lake City Playhouse, solo photography exhibit, Coeur d'Alene ID

Eastern Washington University, solo photography exhibit, Cheney WA

1996 Art On The Green, juried exhibit, Coeur d'Alene ID

1988 North Idaho College, school show, Coeur d'Alene ID, *best in show

1986 Art On The Green, juried show, Coeur d'Alene ID

PUBLIC & PRIVATE COMMISSIONS

2009 University of Washington, Medal of Honor monument (team project)

2008 St. Paul's church, Pensacola FL

University of Washington, Suzzallo Library Nobel Wall portraits, Seattle
WA

2007 Ninth Street Medical Building, dedication portrait plaque, Portland OR

2003 Cheney High School, portrait of Astronaut Michael Anderson, Cheney
WA

2000 City of Coeur d'Alene, Fire Station 3, Coeur d'Alene ID

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2010-2014 Special Government Employee, CCAC, advisor to US Mint,
Washington DC

1998-2002 Global Minting Co., Chief Engraver, Las Vegas Nevada

1987-1998 Sunshine Minting Co., Chief Engraver, Coeur d'Alene Idaho

PUBLICATIONS

2014 Catalog, FIDEM exhibit, Bulgaria

2012 Catalog, FIDEM exhibit, Scotland

The Medal, British Art Medal Society magazine, Autumn

2011 Seattle Times, The Arts, July 24

2010 Catalog, FIDEM exhibit, Finland

2005 Catalog, AMSA at Forest Lawn Museum, Los Angeles

2006 Coin World, Oct

2005 COINage, April

ORGANIZATIONS

American Medallic Sculptor Association (AMSA)

2010-Present Vice President

2003-2009 Treasurer

The International Medal Federation (FIDEM)

Seattle Sculptor's Guild - founder

LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

2013 Iowa State University Greenlee School of Journalism; "Free Speech in the Arts"

2012 Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association

Seattle Metals Guild, Seattle WA

2011 Boeing Numismatic Club, Seattle WA

AMSA/NSS Medallion Sculpture Symposium

2011 Granted Faculty Study, UNCC, Charlotte NC

2010 Rotary Club, Edmonds WA

1999 Hayden Lake Elementary, Hayden ID

PERMANENT COLLECTIONS

Offner Sculpture Center at Brookgreen Gardens, Merial Inlet, SC

SELECT MINTING CLIENTS

Stanford University, Stephen F Austin State University, Mayo Clinic, Industrial Light Magic, Bellagio Casino, Boeing, Boston Library, Island Records/Willie Nelson, Children's Miracle, Network, Caesar's Palace, Fur Rendezvous Alaska, Hilton, The History Channel, Idaho Fish and Game, Lewis and Clark Festival, Luxor Casino, Mandalay Bay, Casino, Michigan Ducks Unlimited, New York New York Casino, Treasure Island Casino, US Forest Service, Washington Mint, Folsom State Prison, California Ducks Unlimited, Hoover Dam, Los Angeles Police Department, NC State University

Set of 7 non-circulated coins for the Sultanate of Darfur

Medal presented to Pope John Paul II

Medal presented to President Gorbachev