

# HEIDI WASTWEET

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**Heidi Wastweet** is a leading American Medallist and sculptor who specializes in bas-relief, from cast and struck medals to public monuments. In conjunction with a wide variety of private mints she has produced over 1000 coins, medals, and tokens 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, then to San Francisco Bay area in 2013. She currently serves as President for the American Medallist Sculpture Association, member of FIDEM, the international organization of Medalists and elected member of NSS, National Sculpture Society. Her work has been shown in magazines, newspaper and digital media, and she exhibits her non-commission work regularly, including Medialia Gallery in New York and Bellevue Art Museum in Washington. She served on the Citizen's Coinage Advisory Committee for the US Mint from 2010 to 2018 and teaches an annual medal workshop at Brookgreen Gardens in South Carolina.

## SELECT SOLO & GROUP EXHIBITS

2018 AMSA group exhibit, Medialia Gallery, New York NY  
2018 FIDEM Art Medal Congress, juried show, Ottawa Canada  
2016 FIDEM Art Medal Congress, juried show, Gent Belgium  
2015/2016 Brookgreen Gardens, Rainey master Sculptor Residency and group show  
2014 FIDEM Art Medal Congress, juried show, Sofia Bulgaria  
2014 Oakland Silver & Gold, solo exhibit, Oakland CA  
2013 AMSA Anniversary Exhibit, Brookgreen Gardens SC  
2012 AMSA Anniversary Exhibit, Bellevue Art Museum education wing, Bellevue WA \*Best in show  
2012 Gay City, group exhibit for Gay Marriage, Seattle WA  
2012 FIDEM Art Medal Congress, juried exhibit, Glasgow Scotland  
2010 Best of Gage, Gage Academy group show, Seattle WA  
2010 FIDEM Art Medal Congress, group show, Tampere Finland  
2007 Jade Moon, featured artist sculpture exhibit, Ellensburg WA  
2006 Form Space Light Gallery, Pacific NW Sculptors group show, Seattle WA  
2006 SOFA w/Portals Gallery, Chicago IL  
2005 Sam Day Gallery, solo sculpture exhibit, Seattle WA  
2005 Forest Lawn Museum, American Medallist Sculpture Assoc. group show, Los Angeles CA  
2004 Art Spirit Gallery, Small Works Invitational, Coeur d'Alene ID  
2004 Sam Day Gallery, solo sculpture exhibit, Seattle WA  
2004 Nordic Heritage Museum, American Medallist Sculpture Assoc. show, Seattle WA  
2003 Raw Space, group exhibit, Spokane, WA  
2002 Pen & Brush Club, 56th Annual Juried Sculpture; Medallist Art Exhibit, New York NY  
2002 National Sculpture Society, group exhibit, New York NY

2000 Art Spirit Gallery, Small Works Invitational, Coeur d'Alene ID  
2000 American Academy of Equine Art, juried exhibit, Atlanta GA  
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 ART COMMISSIONS

Bainbridge Island, WA, Japanese American Exclusion Memorial  
University of Washington, Medal of Honor monument (team project)  
St. Paul's church, Pensacola Church  
University of Washington, Suzzallo Library Nobel Wall portraits (team project), Seattle WA  
Ninth Street Medical Building, dedication portrait plaque, Portland OR  
Cheney High School, portrait of Astronaut Michael Anderson, Cheney WA  
City of Coeur d'Alene Fire Station 3, ID

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Owner, Wastweet Studio, 2001 – present  
Special Government Employee, CCAC, US Mint 2010 – 2018  
*Art director and medallion sculptor for:*  
Global Minting Co., Las Vegas Nevada, 1998 - 2002  
Sunshine Minting Co., Coeur d'Alene Idaho, 1987 - 1998

#### PUBLICATIONS

The Medal, British Art Medal Society magazine, Autumn 2012, Autumn 2017  
Seattle Times newspaper, July 24, 2011  
FIDEM exhibit catalog, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018  
AMSA Forest Lawn Museum exhibit catalog, LA 2005  
Coin World, Oct 2006  
COINage, April 2005

#### SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Coinworld Podcast interview 2018  
Brookgreen Gardens Annual Medal Lecture/Presentation and signing 2017  
Brookgreen Gardens Artist In Residence Lecture 2016  
Sculptors Funeral Podcast interview 2016  
Greenlee School of Journalism at Iowa State University, April 10 2013  
Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association 2012  
Northwest Metals Guild, Aug 9 2012

Seattle Numismatic Society, 2011  
Boing Coin Club, 2011  
Edmonds WA Rotary Club, 2011

#### PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Medallic Sculptor Association (AMSA)

- President 2017 – present
- Vice-President 2010-2017
- Served as treasurer 2003 - 2009

The International Medal Federation (FIDEM)

- Member

National Sculpture Society (NSS)

- Elected Member - 2018

Seattle Sculptor's Guild

- Founder and past president

#### PROFICIENCIES

Drawing/Design

- Pencil
- Ink
- Oil Paint
- Watercolor

Sculpting bas-relief and in the round

- Plaster
- Clay
- Wax

Mold making

Bronze chasing and Patina

Die polishing

Minting Consultation

Photography and retouching

Computer

- Adobe - Illustrator, photoshop, Lightroom,
- Corel - Coreldraw, Photo-Paint
- Microsoft – Word, Excel, PowerPoint
- Quickbooks

Social Media Profiles

- Facebook
- Instagram
- Linked In