



City of Ketchum

**KETCHUM ARTS COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA MEMO**

Meeting Date:  Staff Member/Dept:

Agenda Item:

Recommended Motion:

Reasons for Recommendation:

Policy Analysis and Background (non-consent items only):

- Ascension, by artist Bob Wiederrick, is tentatively scheduled to be installed at Sun Valley Road and Spruce Avenue later this week, early next week. Bob’s artist statement and resume are attached.
- Mountain Horse, by artist Francis Fox, is scheduled to be installed at 4<sup>th</sup> and Washington on June 21. The artist’s resume and statement are attached.
- Modern Man, by artist Jacob Novinger, is tentatively scheduled to be installed on June 25. The artist’s resume and statement are attached.

Sustainability Impact:

None OR state impact here:

Financial Impact:

None OR Adequate funds exist in account:  Exist in account

Attachments:

1. Bob Wiederrick Artist Statement
2. Bob Wiederrick – Resume
3. Francis Fox Artist Statement

4. Francis Fox – Resume
5. Jacob Novinger Artist Statement
6. Jacob Novinger - Resume

## Artist Statement

By Robert (Bob) Wiederrick

I have a passion for working with metal. I first discovered this passion back in elementary school when I had an art class project that involved forming copper foil. Metal is a very forgiving medium; but you must have patience to work with it as it does not yield quickly to the will of the artist. My vision for creating “Ascension” is to make it appear as if the metal is being pulled or drawn toward the heavens from earth. This sculpture features a removeable panel to access the interior – potentially functioning as a time capsule, columbarium, or machinery/utility housing.

This year marks my 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a professional artist-blacksmith as my wife and I started Wiederrick’s Custom Metalworks in 1989. More of our work can be viewed at [www.custom-firescreens.com](http://www.custom-firescreens.com).

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## Artist Resume

Robert (Bob) Wiederrick

1982: Graduated Salmon High School, Salmon, Idaho.

At Salmon High School I took all the metal shop classes I was allowed to take and built wood burning stoves for clients. Many of these stoves are still being used today over 40 years later.

1987: Graduated Idaho State University, Pocatello, Idaho with a BFA in Fine Arts and a major in metals and jewelry.

In 1987 I won a competition to design the Lemhi County flag. This design was later modified to be the official Lemhi County seal and was used in a public art project in Boise that had all the Idaho counties represented on kiosks.

1988-1989: Worked as an ornamental metal fabricator for Triumph Metal Works, Ketchum, Idaho.

1989-present: Co-founded with my wife, Michelle, Wiederrick's Custom Metalworks – a design studio that specializes in the production of handcrafted custom fireplace screens but also builds exceptional railings, gates, furniture, door hardware, light fixtures, signs, pot racks, fireplace tools and sculptures.

As co-owner of Wiederrick's Custom Metalworks I have to wear many hats including but not limited to: artist, contractor, secretary, custodian, designer, fabricator, finisher, quality controller, employer, salesman and businessman. I am responsible for meeting with architects, contractors and other clients to determine project requirements, develop proposals, and provide scale drawings if needed. I then fabricate a product that meets or exceeds client expectations and provide installation if needed – all in a timely manner and within budget. I have completed over 4500 jobs in 35 years of work. My experience with metalwork goes beyond the artistic as I have built structural projects as well. While I cannot add sky scrapers to my resume, I have fabricated beam buckets, concrete inbeds, support columns and I-beams. My metalwork has appeared in both books and magazines including: *Architectural Digest*, *Fine Homebuilding*, *Sun Valley Magazine*, *the Anvil's Ring*, *Fireplace Accessories*, *Ironwork Dynamic Details* and most notably *the Contemporary Blacksmith*, a design/collector book written by Dona Meilach featuring over 500 works by nearly 200 artist-craftsmen from 16 countries. My metalwork has been displayed and many pieces have sold through the Martin-Harris gallery in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. I donated a piece called "Steel Magnolias" to the Company of Fools theatre company that was raffled off to support their work in the 2009 season. I design and hand craft trout themed belt buckles that are for sale at Silver Creek Outfitters in Ketchum, Idaho, and were in an Orvis Company 2010 Fall Catalog featuring all made-in-the-USA products. One of my sculptures – entitled "Sun Kachina" – is on public display at the Friedman Memorial Airport and is part of their permanent art collection. My oversized bike sculpture, which was accepted for exhibition in the 2011 Art of Fourth, was purchased by Sturtos and is on display in front of their business on Hailey's Main Street. In 2019 I had two works selected for display at the Friedman Memorial Airport art exhibit.

“Mountain Horse” was inspired by the nobility of the horse and the dramatic topography of the American West. Historically, horses hold a position of vital importance in the West. They also embody the characteristics of steadfast endurance and loyalty.

My intention is to make sculptures that resonate with the character of a location while creating a sense of wonder and possibility for the viewer.

Francis Fox  
5/19/2024

# Francis Fox

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## Education:

1997 *MFA, Sculpture emphasis* - University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY  
1985 *BFA, Painting emphasis, minor in Geology/Geophysics* - University of Wyoming  
1983 *Drawing and Painting* - Art Students League, New York, NY

## Recent Exhibitions:

2023 **Capital Contemporary Gallery**, Boise, ID (*August*)  
2022 **Art on the Corner**, Grand Junction, CO, (*one year*)  
2022 **Art Currents 2022**, Coeur D'Alene, ID, (*two years*)  
2022 **24<sup>th</sup> Annual Art on the Streets**, Colorado Springs, CO (*one year*) **2<sup>nd</sup> Place Jurors Award**

## Selected Exhibitions:

2021 *"Small Things Matter"* **University of Southern Mississippi**, Hattiesburg, MS (*Oct 14-Nov 6*) *Juror:* George Beasley  
2021 *"Geoscapes,"* **Capital Contemporary Gallery**, Boise, ID (*February*) *two-person exhibit*  
2019 *"Marmusculum"* **Laura Tartarelli Contemporary Art, Villa Bertelli**, Forte di Marmi, Italy (*July*) *Tree*  
2018 *"Mt. Pisgah Sculpture Program,"* **Campbell County Cemetery District**, Gillette, WY (*July*) *"Purchase" Award for Fowl*  
2018 *"Art and Soul,"* **Magic Valley Arts Council**, Twin Falls, ID (*April 13-28*) *"2<sup>nd</sup> Place Sculpture" Award for Horse*  
2017 *"Scapes: Internal and External,"* **Visual Arts Collective**, Garden City, ID (*October/November*) *Solo Exhibit*  
2017 *"Hangzhou Bay International Sculpture Grand Prix Finalists Exhibition,"* **China Academy of Art and Hangzhou Bay Development Committee**, Hangzhou Shi, Zhejiang Sheng, China (*January*) *"Bronze" Award for Mortal Process*  
2015 *"82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Awards Exhibition,"* **National Sculpture Society**, NY, NY (*Exhibited at Brookgreen Gardens, Pawleys Island, SC Aug 8 – Nov 2*)  
2015 *"34<sup>th</sup> annual Wallowa Valley Festival of Arts,"* **Joseph Community Center**, Joseph, OR

(June 5-7) "Best of Show" Award for Foal

- 2015 "49<sup>th</sup> Annual National Small Sculpture Show," **Joseph A Cain Memorial Gallery, Del Mar College,** Corpus Christi, TX (Feb 20-May 8) Juror: Chris Ramsay
- 2015 "Representing the West," **Sangre de Cristo Arts Center,** Pueblo, CO (Feb 6- Mar15) Juror: Walter Piehl
- 2014 "IDEAS\_14," **Utah Valley University,** Orem, UT (Nov) Juror: Dave Beck
- 2013 "Eye, Hand, and Mind: Sensory and Tactile Models for Holistic Learning," **India Habitat Centre,** New Delhi, India (Jan 15-20) Invitational
- 2011 "Arte Natura," **Limner Gallery,** Hudson, NY (May) Juror: Tim Slowinski
- 2010 "2010 Idaho Triennial," **BOCOLAB, Boise Art Museum,** Boise, ID (Sept-Dec), Juror: Beth Sellars
- 2007 "Eye Tricks," **Walsh Gallery, Seton Hall University,** South Orange, NJ (Nov/Dec 2007) Jurors: Jeanne Brasile and Jason Marquis
- 2005 "Origami Series," **Stewart Gallery,** Boise, ID *Solo Exhibit*
- 2004 "38<sup>th</sup> Annual National Small Sculpture Show," **Del Mar College,** Corpus Christi, TX, Juror: Charles Field
- 2002 "Visions International Competition," **Art Center Waco,** TX, Juror: Peter Frank
- 2000 "Natural Progression," **Nicolayson Art Museum and Discovery Center,** Casper, WY, *Solo Exhibit*
- 1995 "West of Center: A State of Mind," **One West Art Center,** Fort Collins, CO, Juror: Gordon McConnell
- 1994 "ANA 23," **Holter Museum of Art,** Helena, MT, Juror: Theodore Waddell
- 1993 "Objects '93," **Center for the Visual Arts,** Denver, CO, Invitational, Curator: Sally Perisho

## Selected Awards, Grants, Fellowships:

- 2021 *Research Grant, Alexa Rose Foundation,* Boise, ID (\$2500)
- 2017 "Hangzhou Bay International Sculpture Grand Prix Bronze Award," **China Academy of Art and Hangzhou Bay Development Committee,** Hangzhou Shi, Zhejiang Sheng, China 50,000 Yuan
- 2011 "2011-2012 Arts and Humanities Fellowship," **Boise State University,** (Aug 2011-Aug 2012)
- 1998 "1998 Visual Arts Fellowship Award," **Wyoming State Arts Council,** Cheyenne, WY  
Jurors: Peter Frank, Fay Jones, and Tin Ly

## Selected Public Art Projects:

- 2018 "Mortal Process" **Hangzhou Bay Park,** Ningbo, China
- 2018 "Foal" **Mt. Pisgah Cemetery,** Gillette, WY
- 2007 "Sprout Bench" **Boise Parks and Recreation,** Morris Hill Park, Boise, ID
- 2006 "Bridge" **Eagle River Incorporated,** Group One Building Lobby, Eagle, ID
- 2005 "Cassia Park Reading Circle" **Boise Parks and Recreation,** Cassia Park, Boise, ID
- 2004 "Tabernacle, Ambry, Altar, Ambo" **Risen Christ Catholic Community,** Lake Hazel, Boise, ID
- 2002 "Portal" **Capitol City Development Corporation,** NW corner of 8<sup>th</sup> St. and Broad St., Boise, ID

Jacob Novinger

"Modern Man" - 2018

Direct Metal Sculpture

55" x 30" x 37"

\$12,000

Made out of mild steel, finished with oil base paint. Mount/install with (10) 1/2" concrete lags.  
Electricity on site. Approx weight 150lb.

"Modern Man" is representing me in a sense, with this hidden knowledge that is held behind my back.  
Trying to break free from society's constraints and not knowing how to use my new found awareness in  
everyday life





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### Direct Metal Sculptor

I'm a direct metal sculptor, believing that art is the ultimate expression of freedom. My sculptures are representation of my life's path and where I'm going with my creative expansion. Tapping into my subconscious helps me bring sculpture to life. Inspiration comes from natural form and textures, abstract shapes and surrealism. I strive to be a visionary in the direct metal sculpting medium

### Awards

- \*2020 Douglas Co. Art Encounters, Juror's Choice Award for "Epiphany"
- \*2019 Purchase Award for ("Heirloom Hare") The City of Auburn, WA Downtown Sculpture Gallery  
[https://www.auburnwa.gov/city\\_hall/parks\\_arts\\_recreation/arts\\_and\\_entertainment/public\\_art\\_program/downtown\\_sculpture\\_gallery](https://www.auburnwa.gov/city_hall/parks_arts_recreation/arts_and_entertainment/public_art_program/downtown_sculpture_gallery)
- \*2016 1<sup>st</sup> Place Overall Winner of the Art and Soul of the Magic Valley: [www.magicvalleyhasart.com](http://www.magicvalleyhasart.com)
- \*2015 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner in Sculpture for the Art and Soul of the Magic Valley: [www.magicvalleyhasart.com](http://www.magicvalleyhasart.com)
- \*2013 1<sup>st</sup> Overall Place Winner of the Art and Soul of the Magic Valley: [www.magicvalleyhasart.com](http://www.magicvalleyhasart.com)
- \*2012 9<sup>th</sup> Place Winner of the Art and Soul of the Magic Valley: [www.magicvalleyhasart.com](http://www.magicvalleyhasart.com)

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\*Aired 05/05/2013

### **Current Exhibitions**

Palisade Art Visions, CO 2022/24 "The March Hare"

Art Around the Clock, Redmond, OR 2022/23 "Happy Idiot" and "Ego"

### **Past Exhibits:**

Yountville Arts, Yountville, CA 2021-23

TAAP 3D Art in Public Places, Loveland, CO 2020-21

Art on the Move, Longmont, CO 2020-21

Palisade Art Visions, Palisade, CO 2020/21

Downtown Sculpture Gallery, Auburn, WA 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019/20

Hood River, OR "Big Art": Exhibited 2017-19, 2019-2022

Douglas Co. Colorado "Art Encounters": Exhibited 2015-16, 2018-19, 2019-2020, 2021-22, 2022-23

Evergreen, CO "Sculpture Evergreen": Exhibited 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2020-2021

Colorado Springs, CO "Art on the Streets": Exhibited 2015-16

Palmer Lake, CO "Tri-Lakes Views": Exhibited 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-2021

Coeur d'Alene, ID "Art Currents": Exhibited 2015-16

Ketchum, ID "Art on Fourth": Exhibited 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018

Benson Sculpture Garden, Loveland, CO "Sculpture Show and Sale" 2016

### **Public Collections:**

2024 "untitled" custom large raven sculpture for Igleheart Foundation Garden, Evansville, IN

2024 "untitled" custom large praying mantis sculpture for Igleheart Foundation Garden, Evansville, IN

2023 "Big Walking Heads", Igleheart Foundation Garden, Evansville, IN

2023 "The Spiral", Igleheart Foundation Garden, Evansville, IN

2023 "Phil Macaw" Igleheart Foundation Garden, Evansville, IN

2022 "Tatanka Ska" Town of Parker, CO

2019 "Untitled" custom sheep sculpture for the City of Hailey, ID

<https://www.haileycityhall.org/ArtsCommission/index.asp#Top>

2019 "Heirloom Hare" The city of Auburn, WA

[https://www.auburnwa.gov/city\\_hall/parks\\_arts\\_recreation/arts\\_and\\_entertainment/public\\_art\\_program/downtown\\_sculpture\\_gallery](https://www.auburnwa.gov/city_hall/parks_arts_recreation/arts_and_entertainment/public_art_program/downtown_sculpture_gallery)



- 2019 **"Fox on a Box"** Roxborough State Park, Colorado <https://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/Roxborough>
- 2019 **"Fox on Box II"** The City of Green River, WY
- 2018 **"Bee Latifah"** The Creature Conservancy, 4940 Ann Arbor Saline Rd.,  
Ann Arbor, MI 48103 <http://www.thecreatureconservancy.org/>
- 2018 **"Flaming Giraffe"** 25188 Geneesee Trail Rd., Goleden, CO 80401
- 2018 **"Blue Heron"** TitleFact 163 4<sup>th</sup> ave N., Twin Falls, ID 83301
- 2016 **"Merry Moo"** On a Shoestring Dairy, 1651 Shoestring Rd., Gooding, ID 83330
- 2016 **"Blue Fire"** Blue Fire Wilderness Therapy, 1832 E 1750 S, Gooding, ID 83330
- 2016 **"Aslan"** Kipling, SK, Canada School, 302 6 Ave, Kipling, SK S0G 2S0, Canada
- 2015 **"Siren"** Siren Song Vineyard Estate and Winery, 635 South Lakeshore Road  
Chelan, WA 98816 [www.sirensongwines.com](http://www.sirensongwines.com)
- 2015 **"Chanson"** Siren Song Vineyard Estate and Winery, 635 South Lakeshore Road Chelan, WA 98816  
[www.sirensongwines.com](http://www.sirensongwines.com)
- 2014 **"Salmon Run"** Fountain Court, 2400 4th Ave Seattle, Washington 98121  
[www.essexapartmenthomes.com/washington/seattle-area/seattle/fountaincourt](http://www.essexapartmenthomes.com/washington/seattle-area/seattle/fountaincourt)
- 2013 **"Buck"** River Vista Place, Suite #100, Twin Falls, ID. 83303 [www.magicvalleyartscouncil.org](http://www.magicvalleyartscouncil.org)
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