



Resume

Public Art Awards

“View from the Mountain Top”

Public Art Award

Alaska Highway

Alaska

TBD

This monument will honor the 4,000 African-American Army Engineers who built the entire Alaska portion of the Alaska Highway. This is a project in process and anticipated completion date is 2016.

"Did You Check Out the New Kid? or Surprise Locker Inspection or Got Ink?"

1% for Public Art Award

New George H. Gilson Middle School

Valdez, Alaska

2014

An enormous octopus is trying to open the combination lock on a cast aluminum and bronze Davy Jones style locker in the locker bay. The sculpture was created in forton, aluminum and bronze.

“HEADS UP!”

1% for Public Art Award

Fire Station #5

Anchorage, Alaska

TBD

This is a 32 feet long ceiling sculpture of 5 aluminum ladders morphing into flames and creating a “flashover” on the ceiling of the new Fire Station #5 tower in Spenard. This sculpture will be completed in 2015.

“GIVEN..By the Great Land”

Public Art Award

Municipality Of Anchorage

Anchorage, Alaska

2013

Two sculptural panels titled “Reflections on the Great One” and “O’er Land and Sea, a Beacon Bright” were created for the new Veteran’s Memorial on the Delaney Park Strip in Anchorage, AK The 20 foot sculptures were constructed of Stainless Steel mesh, Aluminum, Granite and Bronze.

“The Power of Angalkut” (Shamans)

1% for Public Art Award

Chefornak School

Chefornak, Alaska

2013

The Shamans are the school mascot. There are 16 powder coated aluminum animals and figures for the exterior and interior of the school. It tells the story of the Shaman calling the animals to come from the spirit world to be food for the people.

“Warrior Within”

1% for Public Art Award
Wasilla High School
Wasilla, Alaska
2012

A 12.5 foot tall monolithic stone sculpture with bronze and aluminum shields with illuminated feathers. The bronze shield has a hand print for “ good deeds” and the aluminum shield has a flame symbol for the “ spark of inspiration”.

“Best of Care”

Public Art Award
Cazador
Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
2012

A larger than life bronze Mother Lynx and her kitten was commissioned by CAZADOR. It is part of the Lynx Wing of the Mental Health Clinic on Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson in Anchorage Alaska. The sculpture was placed at the entrance to the clinic.

“Homewaters”

1% for Public Art Award
Department of Environmental
Conservation
Anchorage, Alaska
2010

One of a suite of seven low relief bronze and resin wall sculptures depicting various health issue in the lives of wild animals for the State Veterinarian at the Department of Environmental Conservation in Anchorage.

“Provider” and “Respect”

1% for Public Art Award
Ayagina’ar Elitnaurvik School
Kongignak, Alaska
2009

These were part of an aluminum and steel Art Canopy titled "Provider" which depicted a walrus hunt for the Ayagina'ar Elitnaurvik School in Kongiganak, AK. The school was named for the greatest walrus hunter in the village. We designed, created and installed the Art Canopy on the front of the building. We placed an aluminum lighted sculpture of an elder's hand and child's hand underneath the canopy titled "Respect".

“Ready to Lead”

1% for Public Art Award
Career Tech High School
Mat-Su Valley, Alaska
2009

A larger than life bronze Siberian Tiger on a glacial erratic rock at the entrance of the school. It is the school mascot.

“Top of the Class”

1% for Public Art Award
Sitka Public Safety Academy
Sitka, Alaska
2004

A bronze larger than life State Trooper hat atop 3 granite law books on a concrete plinth with plaque. This sculpture was created for the Sitka Public Safety Academy.

“LIFT”

1% for Public Art Award
Mat-Su Youth Facility
Mat-Su Valley, Alaska
2004

A collection of 22 bronze resin geese in flight which spoke to the facility’s mission of promoting a sense of responsibility for each individual and their role in the community. It is located inside the Mat-Su Youth Facility.

“Keep it Coming!” and “Ready Seven”

1% for Public Art Award
Sand Lake Fire Station #7
Anchorage, Alaska
2003

This project consists of two cast recycled aluminum sculptures of a bucket brigade and exterior signage for Sand Lake Fire Station #7.

“The Save”

1% for Public Art Award
Anchorage Fire Station #1
Anchorage, Alaska
2002

A life size bronze sculpture of a firefighter’s arm reaching out to a child’s hand framed in a burning doorway. The two doorways face each other and are lit from below. In the arm of the firefighter are the names of all first responders who perished in the 9/11 attack on the Twin Towers in New York City. The sculpture is located in the northeast plaza of the downtown Anchorage Fire Station #1.

“SKYWALKER”

1% for Public Art Award
PAC / Egan Center
Anchorage, Alaska
2000

A bronze resin sculpture of a ten year old tightrope walker in the Anchorage PAC/Egan Center Skybridge dedicated for the 10th anniversary by mime artist Marcel Marceau. Inside the sculpture is a heart with a dedication by Marcel that states “May the wise heart of the Master always be centered in its youth”.

Public Art Award Finalists

“Guess What I Saw on the Trail Today!”

Inset metal in concrete for floor of new Girdwood K-8 School. Contract to be awarded and work to commence in Spring 2015.

2015

“Golden Bear”

A model of a powder coated aluminum bear that would hang in the commons area at Bartlett High School.

2014

“VIBE”, “(E)nergy” & “Piazza”

Models of steel, and aluminum for an exterior area for East High School.

2014

“Your Pond, My Lake, Our Ocean”

A model of powder coated aluminum, concrete pillars featuring Koi and Salmon in an entry arch at Sand Lake School.

2010

“Land of Abundance: New Beginnings”

A model of cranes and a Valley Farm for Palmer Courthouse.

2009

“Triumph of Change”

A model of a bronze sculpture for Linny Pacillo Parking Garage in Anchorage.

2008

“Riverwalk”

A model of a sculpture installation for Sherrod Elementary School in Palmer.

2006

“Spirit Rocks”

A model of bronze sculpture of wolves for the new Eagle River High School.

2005

“Among the Stars”

A model of granite and brass sculpture for the Anchorage Cemetery Columbarium.

2001

All commissions listed were for the
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Private Commissions

We have many clients who have commissioned us to do large paintings, wall sculptures and monumental exterior sculptures. These can be found in private residences around Alaska, Washington, California, Colorado, Nevada and Denmark. References will be provided upon request.

Professional Achievements

🏠 We are owners of Entheos Art LLC, a visual art studio in Meadow Lakes, Alaska. We also provide art installation and other services to artists in Alaska.

🏠 We have 20 years of exhibitions in galleries and museums all over Alaska with Juror’s awards at the Anchorage Museum.

🏠 Shala is an Art Instructor for private students in drawing, painting and sculpture.

🏠 We were curators for Toast Gallery in Anchorage.

🏠 Jim worked 30+ years in construction and Shala worked 25+ years in art education for the Anchorage School District.

🏠 Shala was an Art Resource Teacher with the Anchorage School District and wrote art curriculum and delivered In-Services to teachers. She helped the Kaleidoscope School of Arts and Science in Kenai to develop their specialized art curriculum integrated with their school wide curriculum. She annually helps them update their materials with students and gives teacher In-Services.

🏠 We have both been Jurors for art shows in Anchorage and Fairbanks

🏠 Shala is a member of the Artist in the Schools talent bank which is an Arts in Education program with the Alaska State Council on the Arts. She has taught over 40 school residencies around Alaska. She also delivers In-Service instruction to artists who want to be Artist/Teachers in the Artist in the Schools Program.

🏠 Shala was a presenter at the 2009, 2012 Alaska Art and Culture Conference.

🏠 Jim was a Featured Artist, in the book “Found and Assembled in Alaska” by Dr. Julie Decker.

🏠 We are both members of Anchorage Museum of History and Art, International Gallery of Art, Bunnell Street Gallery, National Sculpture Society and National Education Association.

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