

MARK LEICHLITER: A STATEMENT OF INTENT

My approach to public artworks is to follow a collaborative working model. I seek input from many sources and incorporate a multitude of means to produce successful artwork. The result is one wherein the line between artist, client and audience is blurred and the sense of accomplishment is shared by all. Through my public artwork, I hope to elicit a sense of pride and ownership in the community by way of an approachable sculptural vernacular. I would like the viewer to feel as though my work is speaking for them as well as to them.

My work is primarily focused on the conveyance of metaphorical meanings that relate to universal themes such as balance, interdependence, and the human condition. Until recently, my large-scale public works have been singular monolithic placements, primarily focused on satisfying the dominant concept of a "sculpture" as decorative embellishment to a site. Recent commissions to enhance full sites have now enabled me to redefine the function of my artwork, and given me new inspiration to strive for an overall sense of unity between the sculptural elements and the environment into which it is placed.



"WATER & POWER" SERVICE CENTER BUILDING
CITY OF LOVELAND, CO

MARK LEICHLITER — FORT COLLINS, CO

BIOGRAPHICAL HIGHLIGHTS:

- 1994 Apprenticeship Completed; Began Sculpting Full-Time
- 1990 Apprenticed Under Sculptor Kent Ullberg; Served as Production Manager, Specialized in Monumental Enlargements
- 1988 Production Manager, Welder, Monument Assistant at Ostermiller Sculpture Studio
- 1966 Born in Loveland, Colorado

MAJOR COMMISSIONS & PUBLIC ART PLACEMENTS:

- "Water & Power" 25' High, Powder Coated Steel/Landscape, cost: \$175,000
City of Loveland's Service Center Building, 2008 Loveland, CO
- "Together" 16' High, Powder Coated Steel, cost: \$75,000
Riverwalk Adventure Park - Fleischauer Garden, 2008 Little Rock, AR
- "Veterans' Memorial Plaza" 1/2 Acre, Landscape/Hardscape Design, cost: \$100,000
Paramount Veterans' Memorial Park, 2007 Paramount, CA
- "Upholding" 14' High, Stainless Steel/Marble, cost: \$60,000
Paramount Veterans' Memorial Park, 2007 Paramount, CA
- "Public Safety Memorial" 7' x 10' x 4', Stainless Steel/Stone, cost: \$150,000
City of La Quinta police and firefighters' memorial, 2005 La Quinta, CA
- "Encircling the Future" 16' High, Powder Coated Steel, cost: \$75,000
Little Rock National Airport, signature sculpture, 2004 Little Rock, AR
- "Tsunami" 14' High 10' Diameter, Bronze/Stainless Steel Fountain, cost: \$200,000
City of Cerritos Library Park, 2002 Cerritos, CA
- "Solar Sails" 18' High, Powder Coated Steel, cost: \$90,000
Entryway for the City of Paramount, 2002 Paramount, CA

SELECT DESIGN TEAM PARTICIPANTS PAST & PRESENT:

- John Kinkade, National Sculptors' Guild, Site Design/Installation Loveland, CO
- Greg Hebert Landscape Architect, Landscape/Site Design San Diego, CA
- Gregory P. Luth & Associates, Structural Engineering Santa Clara, CA
- Advanced Aquatic Technology Inc., Fountain Engineering Orange, CA
- Arkins Park Stone, Sculpture/Site Materials Loveland, CO



"TSUNAMI FOUNTAIN", 2002
CERRITOS PUBLIC LIBRARY - CERRITOS, CA

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

Since 1992 National Sculptors' Guild Loveland, CO

MAJOR COLLECTIONS PRIVATE & CORPORATE:

Chris & Jack Harris	"Duet" 6'High—powder coated steel,	Santa Fe, NM
Private Collector	"Tropism" 5' High – carved alabaster,	Loveland, CO
Loveland Museum	"Recognition Plaque" 6'h—collaborative relief,	Loveland, CO
Toal/Chambers	"Spirit of Troy" 56"h – carved limestone,	Oklahoma City, OK
Dr. M. Harkey	"Haiku" 29" High – carved limestone,	Edmond, OK
Private Collector	"Inner Dance" 48" High – stainless steel,	Oklahoma City, OK
American Stores Inc.	"Caballo" 27"High—carved cocobolo wood,	Salt Lake City, UT

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

2004	"Mark Leichliter-New Sculptures", Columbine Galleries;	Santa Fe, NM
1993-99	"Open House-Mark Leichliter", Grapevine Gallery;	Oklahoma City, OK
1991, 92	"Mark Leichliter-Sculptor", First Federal Savings Bank;	Loveland, CO

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

2007-08	Sculpture at the River Market Show & Sale River Market Pavilions;	Little Rock, AR
1992-2007	Annual National Sculptors' Guild Exhibition Columbine Galleries;	Loveland, CO
2000	"In Search of the Autonomous Self" – Three Artist Show Columbine Galleries;	Santa Fe, NM
2000	"Let It Be" – Two Artist Show Columbine Galleries;	Santa Fe, NM
1991-94, 97	"Sculpture in the Park" – National Juried Exhibition High Plains Art Council;	Loveland, CO



"UPHOLDING" & "VETERANS' MEMORIAL PLAZA"
2007 - CITY OF PARAMOUNT, CA