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A Thank You to our members...

This newsletter is our way of keeping in touch with the members, sponsors, artists and volunteers who make Sculpture Key West possible. We encourage your feedback. Thank you.

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From Sculpture Key West

Sculpture Key West 2005 Exhibition

As the 2005 Sculpture Key West season draws to a close, many have called this year's exhibition our most successful show yet.

This year Sculpture Key West featured 68 artists who created 78 pieces sited in and around the park, beach, fort and moat. This represents a 25% increase in the number of artists from the very successful 2004 exhibition. As a result, the 2005 show attracted a record number of visitors and more extensive press coverage than ever before.

The 2005 exhibition involved artists from far and wide, including three international artists: Emil Adamec, Christina Baun and Gerhard Fousek. Emil Adamec arrived from the Czech Republic before Christmas to find his local materials and carve the male and female torsos (pictured right). Christina Baun from Germany and Gerhard Fousek from Austria also participated in the show.



Emil Adamec creating "The Gateway"
Winner of the Grand Esplanade Award



Rick Worth "Dali" in the Park? Winner of People's Choice Best By Air

SKW Board of Directors

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- Jean Carper, Heather Carruthers, Bob Crane
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Sculpture Key West welcomes Jean Carper to the Board of Directors. Jean is a patron of the arts and best-selling author. She brings an enthusiasm for sculpture and her intimate knowledge of Key West's arts and cultural life to the group.

Sculpture Key West enthusiastically welcomes Jean!



Derek Arnold "Periodical Spaceship Cicada"
 Winner of People's Choice Best By Land Award
 Photo by David Maxfield

Awards Presented at Art Lights Fort Taylor

Winners of this year's special awards were announced at the Annual Art Lights Fort Taylor Evening Benefit February 26th.

The People's Choice Awards by Land, Sea and Air were sponsored by The Key West Citizen (best by land), Liberty Fleet of Tall Ships (best by sea) and Cape Air/Nantucket Airlines (best by air).

Best By Land: Derek Arnold "Periodical Spaceship Cicada"

Best By Sea: Jorge Segui "Floating Bench"

Best by Air: Rick Worth "Dali'ing in the Park"

The Duke Rood Memorial Award for Artistic Excellence was given to an artist who exhibited creativity and imagination. Collectors and friends of the late sculptor Duke Rood sponsored this award in his memory.

Award Winner: Gerhard Fousek "Light Sculpture"

The Jim Racchi Earth Sea Award recognizes an artist who has created large-scale site-specific work. Kenn Edwards and Roger Emmons sponsored the Jim Racchi Award. For 2005 two artists were recognized:

Dan Peterson "Reclining Nude" and Lauren McAloon "Skipping Waves"

The Grand Esplanade Award is sponsored by an anonymous donor. For 2005 it was awarded to three artists who created large scale works in the Esplanade of Fort Zachary Taylor.

1st Place: Emil Adamec "The Gateway"

2nd Place: Tim Esterheld "Untitled" (soldiers)

3rd Place: Eitan Dor and Yigel Meron "The Buffalo—an American Saga"

"In my 30-year career as an artist this is one of the most interesting group shows I've ever participated in. The venue is truly amazing and unique; I'm already planning for next year!"

*--Peter Frantz,
 Tyrone, PA*

Record Sales of Sculpture in 2005 exhibition

Works by several artists were sold during the 2005 exhibition. Among those sold were Anja Marais "Abandoned", Rick Worth "Dali'ing in the Park", Yigel Meron & Eitan Dor "The Buffalo—an American Saga", Tim Esterheld "Untitled" (soldiers). 2005 was a record year for sales.

We're on the Web!
 Visit us at:
sculpturekeywest.com



Karley Kloptenstein gives tours of the exhibition in an electric cart, donated by Monarch Carts



Jorge Segui "Floating Bench" Winner of People's Choice Best By

Artist Applications for 2006 Show to be Released June 1

Due to overwhelming interest in the exhibition, Sculpture Key West plans to release the artist application for the 2006 show earlier this year. Applications will be released on June 1 and will be available online at www.sculpturekeywest.com; and can be requested by email at info@sculpturekeywest.com or by calling 305-295-3800.

The application deadline has been moved to September. Artists are urged to submit timely applications.

Sally Port Auction a Success, Plans for Expansion

This year's first annual Sally Port Auction was a great success. What is the Sally Port? It's a military term used to describe the room where the missions were planned and initiated. The name was chosen to honor SKW's connection to the beautiful fort and the synergy created by juxtaposing contemporary art within its historic context.



Jim Esterheld "Untitled" Winner of the Grand Esplanade Award.

The Sally Port Auction featured maquettes and drawings from the exhibition and was held at the historic Gardens Hotel, thanks to the generosity of owner, Kate Miano.

auctioneers Sean Strub and Hal Bromm for their enthusiastic assistance

This year's invitation-only live auction featured maquettes of Susan Rodgers "Tumbleweeds", of Joe Wheaton's "Morality Dressed for Dinner", of Roberta Marks' "Still Waiting" and of several other wonderful works. SKW thanks guest

Next year SKW plans to expand the event to include more works and artists. Watch for news of the 2006 date!



Gerhard Fousek "Light Sculpture" Winner of the Duke Rood Award.



Dan Peterson (left) "Reclining Nude" Winner of the Jim Racchi Earth and Sea Award Photo by Rob O'Neal

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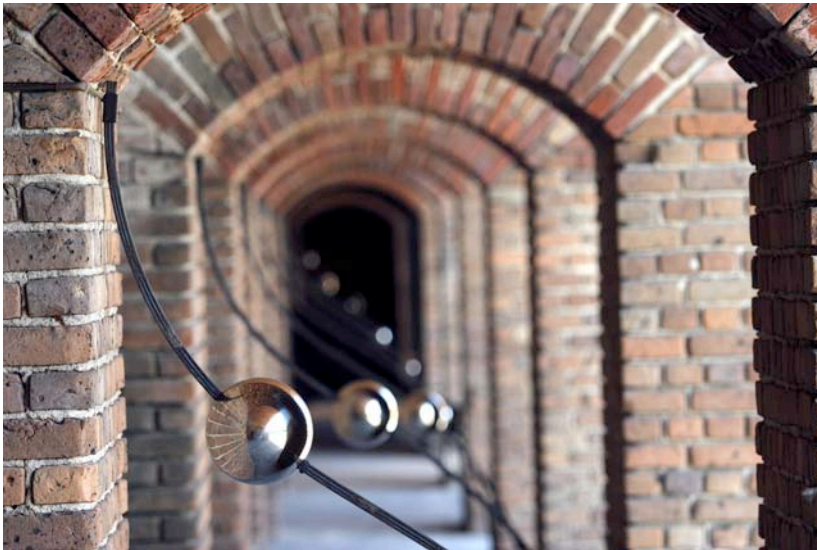


Photo by Rob O'Neal

Lauren McAloon "Skipping Waves" Winner of the Jim Racchi Earth Sea Award

Mission of Sculpture Key West

Our mission is to be a dynamic and significant contemporary sculpture exhibition that cultivates opportunities for emerging and established artists.

The exhibition serves to inspire, educate and advance the cultural arts audience of the Florida Keys and its visitors while broadening national and international visibility.



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