

David Hess

b. 1964, Baltimore, MD

Education

1986 Bachelor of Arts in Visual Studies, Cum Laude, Dartmouth College

Selected Exhibitions

- 2008 Goya Contemporary, Baltimore, MD
- 2007 Maryland State Arts Council, MD
- 2003 Loyola College, Baltimore, MD
- 2002 1111 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, DC
Evergreen House, Baltimore, MD
- 2001 John Elder Gallery, New York, NY
- 1994 Franz Bader Gallery, Washington, DC
Susquehanna Art Museum, Harrisburg, PA
Galerie Francoise et Ses Frères, Baltimore, MD
- 1993 Susquehanna Art Museum, Harrisburg, PA
Franz Bader Gallery, Washington, DC
- 1992 Galerie Francoise et Ses Frères, Baltimore.
Franz Bader Gallery, Washington, DC

Public Commissions

- 2008 Designed, Fabricated and installed an outdoor sculpture. This piece was 9'x14'x8' made of Stainless Steel, Emerson Corporation; 2008, St. Louis, MO
Designed, Fabricated and installed an outdoor sculpture. This piece was 102"x60" dia. made of Stainless Steel, Copper, Bronze, Steel, Claybourne House; 2008, Alexandria, VA
- 2006 Finalist, Dupont Circle Metro station; 2006, Washington, DC
Baltimore Passage, Albemarle Square; 2006, Baltimore, Maryland,
Fabricated an 18' welded copper and Stainless Steel piece for public square in redevelopment in Baltimore City.
Fabricated a stainless steel sculptural pergola for the front of this apartment building. The piece is 22' high X 85' long X 35' wide.
Wayne Ave; 2006, Silver Spring, Maryland
- 2005 Finalist, Rockville Town Square, public building facade; 2005, Rockville, MD
Carroll Creek Park, City of Frederick; 2005, Frederick, MD

- Arbor; Mt. Vernon Children's Park; Arbor; 2005 Baltimore, Maryland
Designed, fabricated and installed site-specific outdoor pergola. The free-standing structure was built at the playground and is composed of twisted stainless steel pipe. It stands 14' high X 18' wide.
- 2004 AVAM Nest; American Visionary Art Museum; 2004, Baltimore, Maryland
Designed, fabricated and installed 35 foot diameter bird's nest using 6000 linear feet of twisted stainless steel pipe. This sculptural balcony conforms to building codes and is a focal point of the Museum's expansion.
- 2003 Momentum Study; Baltimore Washington International Airport; 2003 Linthicum, Maryland
Designed, fabricated and installed large site-specific interior sculpture for the Consolidated Rental Car Facility at BWI. The 195' long sculpture weighs 13,000 lbs and is suspended from the ceiling. This piece had to be constructed as the building was being built.
- 2002 Inertia Study; Merganthal High School; 2002, Baltimore, Maryland
Designed, fabricated, and installed large site-specific outdoor sculpture for the City of Baltimore at Merganthal Vocational High School. The five pieces are stainless steel and each measures 10' X 10' X 4'; they were installed over the front of the school and on the lawn beneath.
- 2001 Tide Point; 2001, Baltimore, Maryland
Designed, fabricated, and installed ten benches at the former Procter and Gamble factory, redeveloped by Streuver Bros., Eccles and Rouse. These benches incorporate cast iron elements from the factory as well as fabricated stainless steel and concrete. Each bench is 90" X 24" X 36".
- 2000 Side Lines and Battle Lines; Johns Hopkins Hospital, Weinberg Cancer Center; 2000, Baltimore, Maryland
Designed, fabricated and installed two stainless steel and glass benches and a table for pedestrian thoroughfare at the cancer center.
- 99-00 Convention Center; 1999-2000, Washington, D.C.
Designed, fabricated and installed temporary outdoor sculpture for two year exhibition in front of the convention center. The piece measures 10' X 50' and is stainless steel and cast concrete spheres.
- 98-01 Courthouse Plaza; 1998-2001, Arlington, Virginia
Designed large outdoor sculpture for this twenty story public building in downtown Arlington, Virginia. Two entry portals and staircases for a four-story underground parking garage were also designed. Both of the projects were to be composed of copper, glass and concrete; however, they have been postponed.

- Botanical Testing Device; Sinai Hospital; 1998, Baltimore, Maryland
Designed, fabricated and installed two large sculptural stainless steel outdoor planters and trellises; each piece is 36' X 14'.
Commission also included four large outdoor benches, each measuring 30" X 30" X 106" and made of stainless steel, cobalt blue glass and concrete.
- 1997 Working Point; Baltimore Museum of Industry; 1997, Baltimore, Maryland
Designed, fabricated and installed outdoor sculpture, weighing 90 tons and measuring 40" X 50". The piece is built almost entirely from 19 large cast iron elements: gears, wheels, chain, marine rigging and boiler parts.
- 1995 AVAM Stairs; American Visionary Art Museum; 1995, Baltimore, Maryland
Designed, fabricated and installed central staircase, garden gates, hand railings, benches, restaurant and bar fixtures and other architectural details. Materials are stainless steel, bronze and steel.
- 1994 Goucher College, Baltimore; 1994, MD

Selected Awards and Honors

Rufus Choate Honors Scholar

Marcus Heiman Award

Ames Prize for Art

Grand Prize Winner, East Coast Final, Kinetic Sculpture Race, Baltimore, MD (2005).

Awarded Craftsman of the Year for Ornamental Ironwork by the Building Congress and Exchange, 2005

Awarded grant from the Municipal Arts Society of Baltimore, 1993 and 1996.

Awarded Craftsman of the Year for Ornamental Ironwork by the Building Congress and Exchange, 1996.