

SIMON SALEH

SCULPTOR • PUBLIC ARTIST • FABRICATOR • CONSERVATOR

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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

San Antonio-based sculptor, public artist, fabricator, installer, and conservator with more than fifteen years of experience translating artistic concepts into durable, site-responsive works. Owner of Wanderlust Ironworks and a contracted sculpture specialist for the City of San Antonio Department of Arts & Culture, with experience spanning original commissions, collaborative fabrication, large-scale installation, structural repair, patina restoration, and the long-term care of public artworks.

SELECTED ORIGINAL PUBLIC ART & COMMISSIONS

It Takes All Kinds	2024
<i>VIDA community, South San Antonio, Texas</i>	
Original painted-steel sculpture acquired for permanent display in the VIDA community.	
Public Art Commission	2021
<i>North Dallas Passport and ID Center, Dallas, Texas</i>	
Commissioned Stainless-Steel Sculpture	2019
<i>Kidney and Hypertension Specialists, downtown San Antonio, Texas</i>	
Public Art Commission	2017
<i>H2Oaks Center, San Antonio Water System, South San Antonio, Texas</i>	
Public Art Commission	2009
<i>UT Tyler Health Science Center, Tyler, Texas</i>	

SELECTED PUBLIC ART FABRICATION & INSTALLATION

Bloom — 21 Monumental Steel Flowers	2015–2023
<i>Artist: Leticia Huerta San Antonio River Walk and Howard W. Peak Greenway Trail System</i>	
Collaborated in design development and served as lead fabricator and installer for 21 painted-steel flower sculptures, each approximately 20 feet tall. Works were installed along the San Antonio River Walk and at approximately eight greenway trailheads throughout San Antonio.	
Citywide Public Art Fabrication, Installation & Relocation	Ongoing
<i>City of San Antonio Department of Arts & Culture San Antonio, Texas</i>	
Fabricated approximately 20 public artworks in collaboration with multiple commissioned artists. Participated in project meetings; provided technical development, fabrication planning, structural problem-solving, transportation, site coordination, installation, relocation, and reinstallation services.	

PUBLIC ART CONSERVATION

Sculpture Conservation & Collection Care	Ongoing
<i>City of San Antonio Department of Arts & Culture San Antonio, Texas</i>	
• Provides specialized maintenance, repair, and conservation services for artworks throughout the City's public-art collection. • Performs structural and surface repairs, cleaning, patina matching and restoration, and preventative maintenance across a wide range of materials. • Trusted with the care and restoration of numerous bronze monuments and sculptures located throughout San Antonio.	

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Owner / Sculptor <i>Wanderlust Ironworks LLC San Antonio, Texas</i>	2014–Present
Master Blacksmith / Fabricator <i>Coopers Forge San Antonio, Texas</i>	2013
Sculptor / Fabricator / Installer <i>Bill FitzGibbons LLC San Antonio, Texas</i>	2012
Fabricator / Welder <i>110 Welding Tyler, Texas</i>	2007–2010

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

Jewett Sculpture Show <i>Jewett, Texas Exhibited two sculptures</i>	2016
Texas State Fair <i>Fair Park, Dallas, Texas Exhibited two sculptures and assisted with installation of additional works</i>	2015
Outdoor Sculpture Tour <i>Civic Center, Abilene, Texas</i>	2014
Art on the Tracks <i>Main Street, Palestine, Texas Group exhibition</i>	2012
Art on the Green <i>Kemp Center for the Arts, Wichita Falls, Texas</i>	2012
Pop Art Show <i>Gold Leaf Gallery, Tyler, Texas Exhibited two works</i>	2011
Texas Sculpture Group Show <i>University of Texas at Tyler, Tyler, Texas Exhibited work and installed the outdoor sculpture exhibition</i>	2011

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Fine Arts <i>The University of Texas at Tyler Tyler, Texas</i>	2011
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