Curriculum Vitae

Kyle Fokken - Sculptor

Awards and Grants

2026 Juror's Award- White Bear Center for the Arts, White Bear Lake, MN
2025 Award of Excellence -Blue Ribbon, Halberg Center for the Arts, Wyoming, MN
Honorable Mention - Body Language (SMS), Metro State University, St. Paul, MN
2023 Award of Excellence -White Bear Center for the Arts, White Bear Lake, MN
2022 Award of Excellence - Hallberg Center for the Arts, Wyoming MN
2021- 2022 Commissioned Artist - Timber and Tie Public Housing, Minneapolis, MN
2020 Purchase Award – Minnesota Museum of Art, St. Paul, MN
Minnesota STATE FAIR First Place Award, St. Paul, MN
Finalist – Westwood Hills Nature center Public Art, St Louis Park, MN
Children's Choice Award - "Hopkins ArtStreet Outdoor Sculpture Walk", Hopkins MN
2019 Purchase Award – City of Urbandale Public Art Collection, Urbandale, IA
Best in Show Award – Society of Minnesota Sculptors, Creator's Space, St. Paul, MN
Finalist – Call for Sculpture, Silverwood Park, Minneapolis, MN
2018 Best of Show – Society of Mn Sculptors Exhibition, the Phipps, Hudson WI
Artist Initiative Grant – Minnesota State Arts Board, St. Paul, MN
2017 City of St. Paul Public Art Qualified Public Artist, St. Paul, MN
Commissioned Artist - West 29th Street Public Art Project, Minneapolis, MN
Semi-Finalist - 2017 McKnight Artist Fellowships, Minneapolis, MN
2016 Artist Initiative Grant – Minnesota State Arts Board, St. Paul, MN
Best of Show - Other Material – City Art Sculpture Tour Mankato, MN
Finalist - City of Bloomington Utility Box Project, Bloomington, MN
2015 Finalist – Forecast/Landmark Center Summer Installation, St. Paul, MN
2014 Mini Golf Courses Designed by Artists" The Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, MN
First Place – Society of Minnesota Sculptors Exhibit, MCA, Minnetonka, MN
Artist Initiative Grant – Minnesota State Arts Board, St. Paul, MN
Best in Sculpture – "Arts In Harmony International Art Competition", Elk River, MN
Finalist - Creative Placemaking in the South Loop, City of Bloomington, MN
2013 Commissioned public Artist– Ramsey County/Union Depot Railroad Station, St. Paul, MN
2012 Artist's Initiative Grant – Minnesota State Arts Board, St. Paul, MN
Best of Show - Other Material – Sculpture Tour Eau Claire, Eau Claire, WI
First Place – "Art Crawls Around the Cloud" Exhibition, St. Cloud, MN
People's Choice and Second Place Awards–"Art/River", Phipps Art Center, Hudson, WI
2011 People's Choice (youth) & Third Place Awards- Minnesota State Fair, St. Paul, MN
Children's Choice Award – "Hopkins ArtStreet Outdoor Sculpture Walk", Hopkins MN
2010 Best of Show – Metal/Stone/Other - Sculpture Walk, Sioux Falls, SD
First Place Award - "NEMAA Fall Fine Arts Show", Minneapolis, MN
Blue Ribbon Award of Excellence – "Arts in Harmony Exhibit", Elk River, MN
Best in Show Award - other material - "Sculpture Walk", Sioux Falls, SD
Finalist - "Reinvigorate the Common Well", Minneapolis Art in Public Places, Minneapolis, MN
2009 Best In Show Award & People's Choice Award - "Fall for Sculpture", Bloomington, MN
2008 Best In Show Overall – "Sculpture Walk", Sioux Falls, SD
2006 Grand Prize Cover Art and Article – Sculptural Pursuit Magazine, Littleton, CO
Best of Show (other material) - "Sculpture Walk", Sioux Falls, SD

Selected Outdoor Sculpture and Public Art Experience

2025 Gathering Space Project (consultant and pending final approval) Minneapolis, MN
Public art West Des Moines, West Des Moines, IA Quad Cities Sculpture Walk,
Delano Sculpture Walk, MN - Fergus Falls Sculpture Walk, MN
2024-2028 Michigan City Sculpture Program, Michigan City, IN
2022-2024 Logan Park Lighting Project Consultant/Commissioned Artist, Minneapolis, MN
2024 Red Wing Sculptures, Red Wing MN, Bemidji Sculptures, Bemidji, MN, Oskaloosa Sculptures, Oskaloosa, IA

2022-2023 Heart of Eagan Public Art Program, Eagan, MN
2021 Commissioned Sculptor - "Mankato Mavericks Fan Experience Project", Mankato, MN
2020, 2022 Mankato CityArt Sculpture Tour, Mankato, MN, Sioux Falls Sculpture Walk , Sioux Falls, SD
River City Sculpture Tour , Mason City, IA, Eau Claire Sculpture Tour, Eau Claire, WI
2019 Commissioned Artist - City of Eagan Public Art Benches, Eagan, MN,
Urbandale Public Art Park, Urbandale, IA, Hutchinson Sculpture Stroll, Hutchinson, MN,
Hopkins ArtStreet Sculpture Walk, Hopkins, MN
2018 "29th Street Public Art Project" - City of Minneapolis, MN
"2018 Open Studio Fellow" Franconia Sculpture Park, Schafer, MN
2017 "City Art Walking Sculpture Tour", Mankato, MN
2016 "Sculpture St. Cloud" Outdoor Sculpture Competition, St. Cloud, MN
"River City Sculpture Tour" Outdoor Sculpture Competition, Stillwater, MN
2015 "Public Art Edina", City of Edina Sculpture Tour, Edina, MN
"Sartell Paper Mill Art Project" Public Art Project for the City of Sartell, MN
2014 "Union Depot Railroad Station Public Art Collection", St Paul, MN
"Northeast Public Library Public Art Project", Minneapolis, MN
2013 "River City Sculptures on Parade", Mason City, IA
2012 "SDSU Sculpture Walk", South Dakota State University, Sioux Falls SD
2007 -2012,2020,2021,2023 "Sculpture Walk Sioux Falls" Outdoor Sculpture Competition, Sioux Falls, SD

Selected Museum, College, Art Center Private Gallery Exhibitions

2027 Two Person Show at the Phipps Center for the Arts, Hudson, WI
2026 Northern Lights Exhibition, White Bear Center for the Arts, White Bear Lake, MN
2025 Society of Minnesota Sculptors Member show - Metro State University, St Paul
Society of Minnesota Sculptors Member show - Carnegie Art Center, Mankato, MN
2021 "We Beasties (Explorations/Intersections of Humans and Animals), Metro State U, St. Paul, MN
2020 "25th Annual Extremely Minnesota Exhibition", Robbin Gallery, Robbinsdale, MN
2018 "Spring Sculpture in the Valley" – The Phipps Center for the Arts Gallery, Hudson, WI
2017 "Landmark Center Summer Arts Discover" Landmark Center, St. Paul, MN
2016 "North of the 45th" DeVos Gallery, Northern Michigan University, Marquette, MI
2015 "Wintertide: First Biennial Juried Art Exhibit" Public Functionary Gallery, Minneapolis, MN
2013 "Visiting Artist Series 2012-2013" Residency/Lecture, North Dakota State University, Fargo, ND
2012 "pARTS PROJECT" SRAM/World Bicycle Relief – Cedar Lake Theater Gallery, New York, NY
"Kyle Fokken & Brett Anderson" South Dakota Museum of Art, Brookings, SD
2011 "Airway to Heaven" Garner Narrative Contemporary Fine Art, Louisville, KY
"Eco-Art China 2011" Touring Show (images of artwork only) Shanghai, China
2010 "Recycled Art from the Rust Belt" Canton Museum of Art, Canton OH
2008 "The Bridge Art Fair" - ART BASEL/ART MIAMI Miami Beach, FL

Noted Public and Private Collections

City of Minneapolis Public Art Collection, Minneapolis, MN
Minnesota Museum of Art, St. Paul MN
South Dakota Art Museum, SDSU Brookings SD
City of Eagan Public Art Collection, Eagan, MN
Mankato Civic Arena, City of Mankato Public Art Collection, Mankato, MN
Urbandale Public Art Collection, The City of Minneapolis Public Art Collection
City of Hopkins Public Art Collection, Hopkins, MN
Hennepin County Library Collection, Minneapolis, MN
Sartell Outdoor Public Art Collection, Sartell, MN
The Union Depot Railroad Station, St. Paul, MN
City of Hopkins Public Art Collection, Hopkins, MN
Howalt-McDowell Insurance Inc. Corporate Headquarters, Sioux Falls, SD
JohnstonWells Public Relations Corporate Art Collection, Denver, CO
Cherry Creek Arts Festival, James Dayton Design Architecture, Catalyst Web Design
Robyne Robbinson - Public Art Coordinator Personal Collection, Albuquerque, NM

Education

1986-1991 Bachelor of Fine Arts St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, MN * Cum Laude, Maybowle Scholarship