

# 37th Annual Sculpture Celebration

***We invite you to exhibit in the  
37th Annual Sculpture Celebration  
on September 9, 2023 - rain or shine.***

Join emerging and established sculptors to compete for a total of \$11,000 in cash awards. Sculptors can enter up to three works, and registration includes your free admission to the Sculptor Reception & Dinner. Sales and commissions are encouraged, with 100% of proceeds going to the sculptors.

In addition to the Sculpture Celebration, large scale entries can be entered for a second exhibition and sales opportunity at the Western NC Sculpture Center. Chosen works will be installed after the Sculpture Celebration and placed at WNCSC for up to one year. For more information on this juried opportunity, please see the flyer included with this prospectus.

## **\$11,000 in Awards**

\$3,000 Best in Show

\$2,000 First Place

\$1,500 Second Place

\$1,000 Third Place

Five \$500 Judge's Merit awards

Five \$100 Honorable Mention awards

\$500 Stevens Family People's Choice  
award

## ***Meet our 2023 Juror, Kyle Van Lusk***

Kyle Van Lusk studied at East Carolina University, earning his BFA in 1995 and his MFA in 1997. His large-scale steel works have been exhibited throughout the Southeast.

Embodying an industrial elegance, Lusk's sculptures are heavily influenced by creative processes, the natural landscape, tool-like forms, and often the installation site itself.

Lusk currently resides in Brevard, NC with his family, where he serves as Professor of Art and Art Program Coordinator at Brevard College.

*"I believe that sculpture should be exciting and new to the viewer and yet still contain an element of familiarity. My hope is that, upon experiencing my sculpture, the viewer experiences the feeling of being shown something they have never seen before yet still have a strong, indefinable and compelling connection with."*



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### **Caldwell Arts Council**

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# 37th Annual Sculpture Celebration Sculptor Prospectus



**September 9, 2023  
Broyhill Walking Park  
Lenoir, NC 28645**

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## 2023 Sculpture Celebration Schedule of Events

### Friday, September 8th

**CHECK IN:** 10am-6:00pm. Site selection and installation of work begins. A crane will be available for unloading large sculptures on Friday only, and overnight security will be provided. See further information in the payment section.

**Sculptor Reception & Dinner:** This casual event is free for exhibiting sculptors. Happy Hour begins at 6pm followed by a 7pm dinner and judge's presentation. Meal options, dinner location, and info on purchasing additional tickets will be sent after your registration is received.

### Saturday, September 9th

7am-8:45am: Park opens for site selection and installation of work with only small trucks being allowed in the park.

7am: Free Continental Breakfast for Sculptors at the Info/Merch tent.

#### **9am: Exhibition opens & judging begins**

10am-3pm: Live music on the deck and food vendors in the back of the park.

3:15pm: Sculptors gather for awards.

3:30pm: Awards presentation and announcement of pieces chosen for display at the WNC Sculpture Center & Park. Judge's walking tour of winning entries will follow.

4:00pm: Exhibition closes; removal of sculpture & park cleanup begins.

**No sculptures, including sold work, may leave the park before 4pm.**

## 37th Annual Sculpture Celebration Registration Form

**NOTE: BY REGISTERING FOR THIS EVENT, YOU AGREE TO MAKE ANY AND ALL EFFORTS TO SECURE YOUR ARTWORK TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF VISITORS, OTHER ARTISTS, AND OTHER WORKS OF ART AGAINST DAMAGE OR INJURY.**

Complete this form, enclose payment and mail to Caldwell Arts Council, PO Box 1613, Lenoir NC 28645. You also can register online at [www.caldwellarts.com](http://www.caldwellarts.com), and we will invoice you.

### **Register early for best savings. Registration includes:**

- Manpower for unloading, installation, removal, and reloading of your work.
- One free admission for the Friday night Sculptor Reception & Dinner.
- Free outdoor camping with showers and full bathroom facilities at the WNC Sculpture Center & Park; other accommodations at [www.caldwellarts.com](http://www.caldwellarts.com).
- Free Continental Breakfast on Saturday.
- Eligibility for possible second exhibition and sales opportunity at WNC Sculpture Center & Park.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/ST/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Home ☐ Work ☐ Cell

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

**Register early and save. A maximum of three (3) sculptures can be entered. Please check all that apply and include fees as noted. \*There will be no on-site registration.**

### **Registration Fees**

☐ College & University Sculpture Students: .....\$35

Include Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Register by June 30, 2023 .....\$50

☐ Register between July 1 & July 31, 2023.....\$65

☐ **Final registration between August 1 & 11:59 p.m. on September 6, 2023.....\$80**

### **Sculptor Dinner & Reception on Friday, September 8th @ 6pm\***

\*Location and other details are TBA. We will send complete information upon registration. Exhibiting sculptors are admitted free, and additional tickets will be available for purchase.

### **Camping** (Find other accommodations at [www.caldwellarts.com](http://www.caldwellarts.com).)

☐ I need a reservation for FREE camping on Friday &/or Saturday night at the WNC Sculpture Center.

### **Unloading, Setup & Sculpture Removal**

☐ I would like FREE manpower assistance. ☐ I would like FREE crane/boom assistance.

**Total Due**..... \$\_\_\_\_\_

### **Payment Method:**

☐ Check Enclosed ☐ Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ CVV: \_\_\_\_\_ Billing Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_



# Sculptor Reception & Dinner

**September 8, 2023 from 6pm until 9pm**

***The Caldwell Arts Council invites exhibiting sculptors and guests to a Sculptor Reception & Dinner on Friday night.***

Details are being confirmed, so information on the event's location, meal options, and the opportunity to purchase additional tickets will be sent to you after registration. Happy Hour starts at 6pm followed by dinner at 7pm, and a judge's talk by Kyle Van Lusk at 8pm.

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## 2023 Overnight Options

This year, free camping is offered at the WNC Sculpture Center & Park for Friday and Saturday nights. Located at 4612 Patterson School Drive in Lenoir, the facility is just off of Highway 321 N., less than 11 miles north of the Broyhill Walking Park. This site offers restrooms and showers.

Because WNCSC&P can only accommodate a maximum of 15 tents, sculptors are limited to one space. Sites are first come-first served, so early registration is highly encouraged. You will find signup space in the payment portion of your 2022 prospectus. When your completed form is received, Caldwell Arts Council staff will contact you with space confirmation.

If you prefer, a list of hotels is available on the Sculpture Celebration page of our website at [www.caldwellarts.com](http://www.caldwellarts.com).

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## WNC Sculpture Center Juried Exhibition Opportunity

*WNC Sculpture is seeking works for a one-year rotating exhibition at the sculpture park. **Up to 10 works suitable for outdoor display will be selected from the jury pool by WNCSC founder Joe Bigley and exhibited through September 2024.***

*An entry form will be provided to interested sculptors upon check in at the 2022 Sculpture Celebration. Up to three (3) pieces can be entered by the deadline of 2:30pm on Saturday, September 10. Selected works will be announced at the 3:30 pm Sculpture Celebration Awards Ceremony. Sculptors will be responsible for delivering and installing their works at the WNCSC campus following the Sculpture Celebration. On-site crane service will be available for installation, and all sales are subject to a 25% commission.*

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For more information, please call us at [828-754-2486](tel:828-754-2486) or email [office@caldwellarts.com](mailto:office@caldwellarts.com).

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