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PROJECT LIST

Carr Residence, Seattle, WA. 2003. Design and build two fireplace surrounds.

North Seattle Residence (NSR)/ Cardwell Architects. 2000-03. Forged a wellcover from pure iron. Designed eight different garden railings totaling 180 feet for Gatehouse Gardens (to be built in future). Designed door hardware for Gatehouse (to be built in future).

Stephen Sullivan Architects/ Kellogg Residence, Seattle, WA. 2002 Forged arbor over entryway.

EDGE Llc. Architects/Peterson Residence, Bellevue, WA. 2002. Forged and fabricated stair railing.

Mark Schuler Architect/Vick Residence, Seattle, WA. 2002. Designed and forged dining room table.

Laurel Gifts, Seattle, WA. 2001. Forged and fabricated two signs for business.

Micheal Moore Architects/Garland-Coe Residence, Cle Elum, WA. 2000. Designed and forged dining room table and two firescreens.

Stephen Sullivan Architects/Nordstrom Residence, Bellevue, WA. 2000. In partnership with another blacksmith, forged a pair of driveway gates.

Private Residence, Seattle, WA. 1999-2000. Designed and forged railing, bathroom fixtures, shelf brackets, and misc. home furnishings for a Gaudi inspired residence.

Carmichael Residence, Seattle, WA. 1999. Forged gate hardware and Timberline Lodge inspired fireplace tools, andirons and screen.

Numerous other projects include fireplace accessories, garden gates, signage, pottracks, tables and other home furnishings.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Photography. University of Washington. 1992

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

In 1994 I started blacksmithing and built up a clientele designing and forging both traditional and contemporary architectural ironwork, ironwork for the garden, home furnishings, as well as sculpture. I own and operate my own studio in Seattle, WA.

1996-1998 Worked part time for Japheth Howard at Flicker Forge in Seattle, WA. Projects included curved stair railings, hardware and various architectural and interior forged ironwork.

1998-2000 Worked part time for Darryl Nelson at Fire Mountain Forge in Eatonville, WA. Projects included chandeliers, copper driveway gates, animal heads, product and other architectural and interior ironwork.

1999-2003 Member and Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Northwest Blacksmith Association. Organized Fall 2001 Conference, with demonstrators Bill Fiorini and Darryl Nelson.

2002. Was filmed for an episode of "Modern Masters", which aired in July 2003 on House and Garden TV.

EXHIBITIONS

Kaewyn Gallery. Bothell, WA January 2003. "The Art of Iron 2003". Invitational Ironwork show.

Center on Contemporary Art (COCA). Seattle, WA. "Black and Raw" March 2002 Invitational ironwork show.

Kaewyn Gallery. Bothell, WA January 2002. "The Art of Iron 2002". Invitational Ironwork show.

Artisan's Center of Virginia. Waynesboro, VA. "Women Do Iron" June 2001 National juried ironwork show. Awarded "Best of Show".

University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse. University Art Gallery. LaCrosse, WI. February 2001 "Domestic Object?" Invitational Ironwork show.

National Ornamental Metals Museum. Memphis, TN. May 2000. "Ironing: Women's Work" Invitational Ironwork show.

Kaewyn Gallery. Bothell, WA January 2000. "Iron 2000". Invitational Ironwork show.

Port of Seattle, Sea-Tac International Airport. Seattle, WA May-August 2000. Invitational Ironwork show.

Kaewyn Gallery. Bothell, WA January 1999. "Living with Iron 3". Invitational Ironwork show.

Pratt Gallery at Center of Contemporary Art. Seattle, WA. January 1999. "Hot Iron in January" Invitational Ironwork show.