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***Biography***

Mark Edward Adams was born in Tucson, Arizona and raised in the Phoenix area in a family full of artists and musicians.  Despite his initial artistic influence, Mark gravitated toward science and earned an advanced degree in Chemistry.  While working as a scientist, Mark discovered his passion for sculpture and began his journey into the world of art.  He traveled to Italy to study classical sculpture at the Florence Academy of Art and then to Arizona to study modern sculpture at the Scottsdale Artists’ School.  He continued his studies with a seven year mentorship under the wildlife sculptor Rod Zullo who studied under the equine sculptor Floyd Dewitt.  In 2013, Mark was awarded the prestigious “Beverly Hoyt Robertson Memorial Award” by the National Sculpture Society for an outstanding sculptor under the age of 40.  Then in 2016 he became an Elected Member of the National Sculpture Society.  His work has been exhibited at the Gilcrease Museum, The Booth Museum of Western Art, The Tampa Museum of Art, Brookgreen Gardens, and in private collections in the United States and Europe.  He has also been featured in a variety of publications including Western Art and Architecture, American Art Collector, Western Art Collector, and Fine Art Connoisseur.

***Museums, Shows, and Awards***

**Booth Museum of Western Art**, For The Love of Art Gala & Auction, February 25th, 2017, Cartersville, Georgia.

**Brookgreen Gardens Museum of American Sculpture**, The National Sculpture Society’s 83rd Annual Awards Exhibition, Aug. 6 - Oct. 30th, 2016, Pawleys, SC.

**Elected Member, National Sculpture Society**, July, 2016.

**Gilcrease Museum Collectors' Reserve Exhibition**, November, 2015, Tulsa, OK.

**52nd Annual Western and Heritage Art Show**, Jan., 2015**,** San Antonio, TX

**Gilcrease Museum Collectors' Reserve Exhibition**, Oct. 25th to Nov. 14th, 2014, Tulsa, OK.

**Toronto International Art Fair - Art Toronto**, Oct. 24th-27th, 2014, Toronto, Canada.

**51st Annual Western and Heritage Art Show,** Jan., 2014**,** San Antonio, TX

**National Sculpture Society Award,** "Beverly Hoyt Robertson Memorial Award", Oct., 2013

**Brookgreen Gardens Museum of American Sculpture**, National Sculpture Society 80th Annual Awards Exhibition, Aug. 17 - Oct. 27th, 2013, Pawleys, SC.

**Tampa Museum of Art**, National Sculpture Society 80th Annual Awards Exhibition, May 18th - July 27th, 2013, Tampa, FL.

**NBC San Diego**, Art Pulse TV Show, Episode 1, July, 2013.

**San Diego International Airport**, Public Exhibition, Oct. 2010 to Apr. 2011, San Diego, CA.