

# Saratops (Sara McDonald)

12399 W. Tevoit St.  
Boise, ID. 83709  
(208)353-1131  
[mcdosara@gmail.com](mailto:mcdosara@gmail.com)  
[IG: saratopsart](#)

## OBJECTIVE

Ambitious sculptress seeking opportunity to represent her hometown by designing an ecocentric public park space focused on providing a community oasis which embellishes the perseverance and necessity of Nature through iconic representations of essential natural resources.

## EDUCATION

2019 - **Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Accelerated Program)** - *Idaho State University*, Meridian, ID. May.

- ◆ Summa Cum Laude

2009 - **Bachelor of Fine Arts: Sculpture Emphasis** - *Boise State University*, Boise, ID. December.

- ◆ Magna Cum Laude

## SKILLS PROFILE

Sculpting	Foundry Work	Lost Wax Casting	Silversmithing
Welding – MIG, TIG, stick	Rawhide Manipulation	Resin Work	Painting
Ceramics	Management Experience	Treasurer/Bookkeeping	Budget Planning and Cost Control

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

2019 - **Alexa Rose Foundation Grant** – Grant funding to provide studio welding equipment.

2015 - **Alexa Rose Foundation Grant** - Grant funding for solo exhibition art.

2011 - **Boise City Department of Arts and History AiR (Artist in Residence)** – Provided 6 months of studio space in the Renewal Underground, Boise, ID. Monthly gallery shows and events hosted.

## EXHIBITIONS

2017 - **Boise Sculptors' Guild Group Exhibition** - Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, Baker City, OR.

2016 - **Menagerie** (Solo Exhibition) - Visual Arts Collective, Garden City, ID.

2015 - **Krampus Invitational Group Show** - Visual Arts Collective, Garden City, ID.

2013 - **Freak Alley Gallery Annual Mural Project** - Freak Alley, Boise, ID.

2012 - **RAW: Mixology** - Powerhouse Event Center, Boise, ID.

- ◆ **Patchwork** (Solo Exhibition) - Flying M Gallery, Boise, ID.

- ◆ **Worth** (Solo Exhibition) - Flying M Gallery, Boise, ID.

2011 - **Earthvisions From the City** - The Alaska Building, Boise, ID.

- ◆ **Presence Through Absence** - Bricolage Gallery, Boise, ID.

- ◆ **Freak Alley Gallery Annual Mural Project** - Freak Alley, Boise, ID.

- ◆ **Pendular** (Solo Exhibition) - Dawson Taylor Gallery, Boise, ID.

2010 - **In Pursuit of Color: Conversations With Local Artists** - Documentary and exhibition. Idaho State Historical Museum, Boise, ID.

- ◆ **Modern Art at the Modern Hotel 2010** - The Modern, Boise, ID.

2009 - **Make Your Mark** - Alexa Rose Gallery, Boise, ID.

- ◆ **Seehorse: BFA Thesis Exhibition** - Visual Arts Center, Boise State University, Boise, ID.

- ◆ **Reflex: Juried Student Show** - Juror: Angie Zelinski. Visual Arts Center, Boise State University, Boise, ID.

2003 - **Freak Alley Gallery** - Freak Alley, Boise, ID.

2002 - **Nomad Productions** - The Eastman Building, Boise, ID.

2001 - **The Emerging Artist Showcase: Outside The Box Productions** - Eagle, ID.

## ADDITIONAL ART EXPERIENCE/FORMATS

---

- 2017-18 - **A Black Rift Begins to Yawn** - Feature film. Lead actress. Character: Lara. Director/Producer: Matthew Wade.
- 2016-18 - **Alexa Rose Foundation Jury Committee** - Served as one of several jurors to grade, score and select the grantees for the current submission year.
- 2008-11 - **Taking Flight** - Planning, fabrication, and installation through the Boise Sculptors' Guild of a three figure bronze sculpture to commemorate the centennial anniversary of the Women's and Children's Alliance, (WCA), Boise, ID.
- 2010 - **In Pursuit Of Color: Conversations With Local Artists** - Documentary. Artist/interview. Director: Craig Clark. Producer: Susan Valiquette.
- 2008 - **Hope Series** - Fabrication with the Boise Sculptors' Guild of installation wall and structure for artist Robert Kantor's travelling exhibition. Visual Arts Center, Boise State University, Boise, ID.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

---

- 2017 - Boise Sculptors' Guild Iron Pour - October – Visual Arts Collective, Garden City, ID.  
Provided scratch blocks, tools, safety, and services to the community, inviting them to participate in creating their own low-relief sculpture out of iron.
- 2011 - Boise Sculptors' Guild Iron Pour – Arts West School, Eagle, ID.
- 2010 - Restoration/repair of *Reading Benches*, sculpture, Cassia Park, Boise, ID. Boise Sculptors' Guild.  
Re-grouting and replacing damaged tiles.
- 2009 - Boise Sculptors' Guild Inaugural Iron Pour. Visual Arts Collective, Garden City, ID.
- 2008 - Cleaned bronze plaques along Capital Blvd. Bridge. Boise, ID.  
Sanded, power-washed, re-patinaed, and sealed bronze plaques flanking the walking paths of the bridge.

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

---

- 2018 - "Flies Collective Award Five with Grant Funds Including Matthew Wade's 'A Black Rift Begins to Yawn,'" *Ioncinema*, September 28, 2018. <https://www.ioncinema.com/news/film-award-prize-news/flies-collective-award-five-with-grant-funds-including-matthew-wades-a-black-rift-begins-to-yawn>
- 2013 - "Art Every Day on the Te Araroa Trail," New Zealand's *Wilderness Magazine*, July 26.  
Created, photographed, and documented sculptures while hiking New Zealand's newly developed long trail, covering both islands north to south.
- 2012 - "Taking Flight: Boise Sculptors' Guild completes bronze statue," *Boise Weekly*, January 25.  
<https://m.boiseweekly.com/boise/taking-flight/Content?oid=2590278>
- 2011 - "Eighth Street Top To Bottom This First Thursday," *Boise Weekly*, pg. 30, April 6-12.
- 2010 - "Modern 2010." Video, *The Idaho Statesman*, May.
- 2009 - "Three Dimensional: Ben Love and Sara McDonald," Boise State University's *The Arbiter*, March 16.

## PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

---

- 2008-Present - **Boise Sculptors' Guild** – Member.
- 2008-2009 - **Boise Sculptors' Guild** - Treasurer.