



## Mark Beattie MRSS

### Artist Statement

Mark Beattie MRSS is a British award winning sculptor who lives and works in London.

In 2015, Mark won the Midlands Open, The Xerxes Sculpture Prize and was elected a Member of The Royal Society of Sculptors (MRSS). In 2017 Mark was shortlisted for the Open Contemporary Young Artist Award run by the Biscuit Factory Gallery in Newcastle and long-listed for The Secret Art Prize by Curious Duke Gallery and also for the international Rise Art Prize.

Working with various metals in all their contrasting properties of texture and finish, Mark can make industrial materials appear fluid, malleable and delicate. He continues to study different metals, looking at ways to manipulate and add movement to the material and over the past 3 years has been developing ways in which neon and LEDs can complement his sculptures, adding to the movement of a piece and catching the viewer's eye.

Mark has a strong academic background in art, having studied a BA Hons (International) in Contemporary Art Practice at Leeds University and after an MA in European Arts Practice at Kingston University, Surrey. To date he has now exhibited in over 60 exhibitions, solo and group and has a strong following from collectors both in the UK and abroad.

### Artist Biography

#### Education

2010–2011 Kingston University, MA European Arts Practice, London

2006–2010 University of Leeds, BA {HONS} Contemporary Art Practice (International), Leeds

2008–2009 Australian National University, Exchange, Major in Sculpture, Canberra, Australia

#### Solo Exhibitions

2017 - "Orbital" with West Contemporary at Café Royal Hotel, London

2012 - Global Odyssey Installation, 20-21 Visual Arts Centre, Lincolnshire, UK

#### Selected Group Exhibitions

2019 London Art Fair with After Nyne Gallery, London  
Battersea Affordable Art Fair with After Nyne Gallery, London  
The Other Art Fair, Truman Brewery, London

2018 London Art Fair with Contemporary Collective, London



The Capital Club Dubai, Dubai, UAE  
Eight from Nyne, 45 Park Lane, London  
Henley Festival with Contemporary Collective, London

2017 Young Artist Award, The Biscuit Factory, Newcastle  
The Other Art Fair, Victoria House, London  
Hampstead Affordable Art Fair with DegreeArt, London

2016 The Other Art Fair, Victoria House, London  
Artists of the Future, DegreeArt, Vyner Street, London  
The Garden Gallery, Hampshire, UK  
Metallic, Burghley House, Lincolnshire, UK

2015 Open Exhibition, Lights of Soho, London  
The Other Art Fair, Victoria House, London

2014 Illuminating the Future: In Aid of The Old Vic, London  
Affordable Art Fair, Hampstead, London  
Elements, Burghley House, Lincolnshire, UK

2013 From Surface to Structure, JL Baroni Gallery, London

### **Awards**

2015 Xerxes Sculpture Prize, Exhibition at Serpentine Gallery, London  
2015 Midlands Open Main Prize, Tarpey Gallery, Derbyshire

### **Memberships**

2015 Elected to The Royal Society of Sculptors