

AWARDS / HONORS

- Saul Bell Design Award, Finalist: Alternative Metals/Materials category, sculptural art jewelry
- Emerging Designer Award: chosen as one of six from an international field by Centurion Jewelry Show, an invitation-only show for luxury jewelers and retailers
- Grand Prize Winner Halstead Jewelry Design & Business Development Grant
- Invited by Rolls-Royce to co-brand and exhibit my sculptural art jewelry at their North American Rolls-Royce Owners Club Annual Meet in Lake Tahoe CA; featured in luxury-content commemorative book distributed exclusively to RR owners internationally
- National Geographic: featured for Artist Appreciation Month (twice in two years)
- Prospectus #248 Southwest Artist Series, curated for Percent for the Arts Purchase, NM
- Prospectus #241, a juried competition: curated for New Mexico Art in Public Places
- Selected for the 2022 Flag Project at Rockefeller Center by the United Nations Environment Programme and the Climate Museum in NYC
- Silver Award, Camelback Gallery International Juried Flower Power 2022 Competition, Spring: Emergence VI
- Bronze Award, Camelback Gallery International Juried Shades of Red 2022 Exhibition: The Promise
- Purchase Award, Arizona Citizens for the Arts: painting presented as an award for a category winner of the 38th Annual Governor's Art Awards

EVENTS

- National Geographic: Interviewed for their education website
- Invited speaker at The Art Institute of Phoenix in the Fashion Accessories courses
- Demonstrator/lecturer on blacksmithing and copper forging: Guild of Metalsmiths, MN
- Demonstrator/lecturer on non-ferrous forging: ASU, Tempe AZ
- Demonstrator/lecturer on blacksmithing: ASU, Tempe AZ
- Demonstrator/lecturer on metalsmithing: Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff AZ
- Designed/built/installed a hand-forged decorative steel railing at the Grand Canyon Mather Point Amphitheater (three-person team)
- Invited by National Jewelry Institute to Designer Showcase during Paris Fashion Week, France
- LA Style Fashion Week, presented jewelry collections on the runways
- Phoenix Fashion Week, presented jewelry collections on the fashion runways (2 years)

EXHIBITIONS

2023

• Art Palm Beach, Steidel Fine Art, West Palm Beach FL

2022

- Flinn Foundation, Cycle 2; Poseidon's Playground
- Portland on the Park Collection Exhibition, Cycle 10 2022; Spring: Emergence VI

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- Seattle Art Fair, Maria Elena Kravetz Gallery, Seattle WA
- The Other Art Fair, Virtual Edition; Saatchi Art
- Artexpo New York, New York NY
- NightVisions 2022, Coconino Center for the Arts, Flagstaff AZ
- Women of the Showroom, Steidel Contemporary, West Palm Beach FL
- The Palm Beach Show, Steidel Fine Art, West Palm Beach FL

2021

- "Space Art: Women of the Future," Steidel Fine Art, West Palm Beach FL
- "Abstract," Art Room Gallery,
- Celebration of Artists 2021, West Valley Art Museum, Peoria AZ
- Making Her Mark: Art By Women, Sonoran Art League, Carefree AZ
- Greater Phoenix Revival, Greater Phoenix Economic Council, Phoenix AZ
- Palm Beach Design Showroom, (Steidel Fine Art) West Palm Beach FL
- ACA, Art Comes Alive!, ADC Fine Art Consultants, Cincinnati OH

2017

- Wearable Expressions, 7th International Juried Exhibition, LA, CA
- globalDESIGN, Baltimore MD
- SNAG: [Up]Setting the Stone, online exhibition of the Society of North American Goldsmiths
- Artistar Jewels, art jewelry exhibition, Milan, Italy

2016

- Artistar Jewels, art jewelry exhibition, Milan, Italy
- 4orm & Space, four-person show at Carl Cherry Center for the Arts; Carmel CA
- Gratitude, Titus Contemporary Gallery, Carmel CA
- SOFA Chicago USA; Maria Elena Kravetz Gallery, Cordoba, Argentina

2015-2003

- Artistar Jewels, art jewelry exhibition, Milan, Italy
- Art San Diego, exhibited sculpture and jewelry, San Diego CA
- SOFA Chicago USA; Maria Elena Kravetz Gallery, Cordoba, Argentina
- Women of Steel, two-woman show at Lanning Fine Art Gallery, Sedona AZ
- Metal Worked; Pearl Fincher Museum, Spring TX
- Artist's Studio Tour; Monterey CA
- CUP; (First Place); Monterey Bay Metal Arts Guild; Carmel CA
- Reflections in Metal; Monterey Bay Metal Arts Guild

PRESS / PUBLICATIONS

"Artistic Impressions" feature page, *The World of Interiors* (UK), Nov, Dec 2022 & Jan 2023

Canvas Rebel magazine Interview 2022: https://canvasrebel.com/meet-valerie-ostenak *Blink Art Resource,* ADC Fine Art Consultants, Cincinnati OH, 2020

Voyage Phoenix, Thought-provokers series, 2019, on-line magazine interview https://voyagephoenix.com/interview/check-valerie-ostenak-s-artwork, Phoenix AZ

Strive for Perfection 2018, Rolls-Royce commemorative annual exclusively for owners & collectors

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Voyage Chicago: Thought-Provokers series, 2018, on-line magazine interview https://voyagechicago.com/interview/check-valerie-ostenaks-artwork, Chicago IL Saul Bell Design Award 2017, exhibition catalog, Albuquerque, NM Wearable Expressions 2017, exhibition catalog, Los Angeles CA Artistar Jewels 2017, exhibition catalog, Milan, Italy Artistar Jewels 2016, exhibition catalog, Milan, Italy ArtBusinessNews.com, Spotlight and Featured Artist, Nov 2015 Artistar Jewels 2015, exhibition catalog, Milan, Italy "Jewellery Box," Valerie Ostenak, British Harper's Bazaar, March & April 2014 "In-Style," Valerie Ostenak, Marie-Claire magazine (British), April 2014 "Sleigh Bells Bling . . . Sparkle This Season!," Valerie Ostenak, Tatler magazine (British), Dec 2013 "Jewellery Designer Ostenak," British Vogue magazine, Aug-Dec, 2013 Contemporary Art of the Southwest, by Ashley Rooney, Schiffer Books Showcase 500 Art Necklaces, Lark Books, June 2013 "Women of Steel," Western Art & Architecture Events Calendar (online slideshow), Apr 2012 "Four Hohzo galleries anchor gallery district," Artscene, Sedona AZ, Spr 2012 "Spring Shows," Kudos Art & Gallery Guide, Sedona AZ, Apr 2012 "Steely Disposition," by Jeff Prine, Watch & Jewelry Review, Apr 2011 Sedona Magazine, Spring 2011 "Trend & Colours," CIJ International Jewellery, Spring 2011 Art Jewelry Today, by Dona Meilach Art Jewelry Today 2, by Jeffrey Snyder The Contemporary Blacksmith, by Dona Meilach Best of America: Jewelry Artists & Artisans, Vol. I, Kennedy Publishing "Clever and Crafty," The Monterey County Herald, Dec 2003 "Art From the Forge," the fabricator.com, Dona Meilach, May 2003 "Metal of Honor," The Monterey County Herald, full front page: Arts & Entertainment section, Apr 2003 "Cups Runneth Over," The Coast Weekly, Apr 2003 "Cup," The Monterey County Herald, Apr 2003 1

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