

# Avis Turner

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## Art

**Bronze Sculpture** ~ *figurative, mythological archetypes: Winged Beings and Nikes*  
**Etching** ~ *Intaglio prints from copper plate; hand colored, mixed media*  
**Oil Painting** ~ *Duccio Seed Pods on board with gold leaf*  
**Drawings** ~ *botanicals from imagination; with mixed media*

## Current Representation

Cooley Gallery, Old Lyme Ct. ([www.cooleygalleries.com](http://www.cooleygalleries.com)) bronze sculpture

## Featured Artist Exhibitions

- 2009 **Charter Oak Cultural Center**, Hartford, Ct., three person show
- 2008 **New Britain Museum of American Art**, Juried Show (sculpture prize)
- 2000 **Arts Exclusive Gallery**, Simsbury, Ct.; *New Bronze Sculptures*
- 1999 **Farmington Valley Arts Center**, Avon, Ct. Studio *Artist in Residence*
- 1996 **The Alla Rogers Gallery**, Washington, DC.; *Winged Figures in Bronze '86-'96*  
**Maryland College of Art And Design**, Silver Spring, Md.
- 1993 **The Daryl Reich Rubenstein Gallery**, Sidwell Friends School, Wash. DC.
- 1993 **Gaithersburg City Hall**, Maryland
- 1991 **Holton Arms School**, Bethesda, Md.
- 1991 **Ipomal Gallery**, Netherlands (*Solo Show*)
- 1990 **Dumbarton Oaks Gallery** Concert Series, Washington, D.C.
- 1988 **Neyagawa, Osaka, Japan; *Twenty American Sculptors*** (by invitation)
- 1988 **The City Gallery**, Georgetown, Washington, D.C.
- 1987 **Watkins Gallery**, American University, Washington, DC.

## Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2010 **Tunxis Community College Gallery**, Faculty Show, Farm. Pub. Schools
- 2008- **Farmington Valley Arts Center**, Avon, Ct. Studio Artist in Residence
- 2001-08 **Polonaise Gallery**, Woodstock, Vt.
- 2007 **Norwich Arts Council**, Fine Art Gallery, Norwich Ct. Art 24/7 Show
- 2006- **Annual Artist's in the Neighborhood Exhibit**, West Hartford, Ct.
- 2001- **Farmington Public Schools**, Annual Faculty Exhibitions
- 2003 **Show House**, Jr. League of Hartford with *Amanda Strauss Designs*
- 2000-01 **Arts Exclusive Gallery**, Simsbury, Ct.
- 2001 **Canton Clay Works Gallery**, Canton, Ct.
- 2000 **Gallery on the Green**, Canton, Ct. (Juried Show)
- 1997 **Inaugural Exhibition** ~ A Celebration of American Art,  
with *Elaine Jacobs Design* at the Design Center, Washington, DC.
- 1991-95 **Annual "Washington Figurative Sculptors" Show:** Maryland College  
of Art and Design, *Gudelsky Gallery*, Silver Spring, Md.  
*Rock Creek Gallery*, Washington, DC. , *Watkins Gallery*,  
The American University, Washington, DC.,  
*Delaplaines Visual Arts Center*, Frederick, Md.
- 1993 **Collector Art Gallery**, Dupont Circle, Washington, DC.
- 1990-98 **Alla Rogers Gallery**, Georgetown, Washington, DC.
- 1990 **Peninsula Fine Arts Center**, Newport News, Va.
- 1989-91 **City Gallery** an Artist Coop., Georgetown, Wash. DC. (*Founding Member*)
- 1988 **Muscarrelle Museum of Art**, Williamsburg, Va.
- 1987 **Aaron Gallery**, Dupont Circle, Washington, D.C.
- 1986 **Watkins Gallery**, American University, Washington, DC. *Thesis Show*

## Public Collections/ Commissions

- 2003 Commission: bronze sculpture Simsbury and Avon, Ct.  
1999 Commission: bronze sculpture Farmington, Ct.  
1988 St. James Episcopal Church, Potomac, Md.(six winged candlesticks for alter)  
1987 Watkins Gallery, Permanent Collection, The American University, Wash. DC.  
1987 Montgomery County, MD, Fine Arts Public Collection  
1986- Private Collections: *United States, Japan, Mexico, Canada, Netherlands,...*  
(*Local works: Simsbury, Avon, Farmington, New Hartford, Ct, and Amherst Ma.*)

## Education

- 2001 **Connecticut Teaching Certification;** CCSU, New Britain, Ct.  
1986 **MFA with honors, Sculpture,** American University, Washington, DC.  
1981 **BS Art Education,** American University, Washington, DC.  
1977 **AA Early Child Development and Liberal Arts;** Endicott College, Beverly, Ma.

## Fellowship/ Grants/ Awards

- 2008 **New Britain Museum of American Art, Sculpture Award,**  
Annual Juried Show, New Britain, Ct.  
1985 **National Sculpture Society** Young Sculptors Award/Fellowship  
1986 **Individual Artist Grant,** Commission on the Arts, Washington DC.  
1984- 86 **Graduate Honors Fellowship/Purchase Prize,** American University

## Teaching

- 2002- **Noah Wallace Elementary,** Art Farmington, Ct. Grades K-4  
2001-02 **Independent Day School,** Middlefield, Ct. Grades 5-8  
2001-02 **Canton Jr./ Sr. High,** Canton, Ct., Grade 7- 12  
2001-04 Workshop Presenter; **Ct. Commission of the Arts; HOT Schools Summer Institutes** for teachers and administrators; (HOT Schools are public schools with an arts-integrated approach to learning)  
1999-02 **Artist-in-Residence,** Farmington Valley Arts Center, Avon, Ct.  
2008- “ “ “  
1998- 99 **Miss Porter’s School,** Farmington, Ct. Grades 9-12  
1991- 98 **Sidwell Friends School,** Washington, DC., Grades 5-7  
1987- 98 Associate Professor, adjunct, **The American University,** Wash. DC.  
1987- 89 Instructor, full time, **College of William and Mary,** Williamsburg, Va.

## Travel

Greece, Italy, France, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, Netherlands