
Bill Secunda Studios

Thank you for your interest in the works of Bill Secunda. You have truly entered into a world like no other. Bill's unique, original designs bring delight to all who see them. His rare gift and unusual medium arouse curiosity everywhere his works are seen.

The sculptures are made from ferris and non-ferris metals, nails, tubing, and steel. Bill has found the delicate balance between cold, hard metal, nails and nature. His pieces come to life as he hand forms these materials into Gorillas, Bears, Ants, Spiders, Creatures, and more importantly, Jesus on the Cross. Bill uses his gift to give each piece its own individual purpose, whether serious and thought provoking or just plain fun.

It is always a surprise when you happen upon a Bill Secunda sculpture. They can be seen in museums, zoos, racetracks, a senators office, or wandering across someone's back yard, the possibilities are endless.

If you would like to interview, add a unique story to your programming, or simply desire to have a creation designed specifically for you give Bill a call or send an e-mail. It would be his pleasure to speak with you.

The Artist

Bill Secunda is a self-taught metal sculptor who delights in creating the most detailed of insects to the wildest of creatures. As a young boy he spent many hours watching a neighbor weld and fabricate heavy equipment. The welding process intrigued him. During welding classes, Bill would practice his welding techniques by turning lifeless scrap metal into his first artistic creations. Today his pieces range from giant insects, realistic animals, to representations of Christ.

Bill's creativity comes from the appreciation of the beauty that God gives each creature, large and small. Adding personality, balance, and a sense of movement to every piece makes each one stand out. Most everything Bill sees, hears, or experiences provides inspiration.

Bill delights in creating site-specific pieces with his clients, learning their personalities, likes and dislikes, and the conversations that stimulate joint creativity. The combined efforts have created such things as an 18' Fire-Breathing Monster emerging from a swamp in Alabama, a Troll that spits water on passing visitors, two Ticks jitterbugging on a globe for an entomologist in Georgia, robotic BBQ grills, and much more.

Several of Bill's life-like creatures were on display at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History in Pittsburgh, and at Disney's Epcot. He has also created three large insect sculptures for the St. Louis Zoo. Several twelve-foot steel cockroaches can be seen climbing the ABC Pest Control building in Dallas. A large 35' diameter spider distracts drivers as they approach turn four of the Barber Motorsports in Birmingham. Bill's creatures have been spotted anywhere from people's gardens to the office of Senator Trent Lott.

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The Artistry

Each piece of art is completely handcrafted by using the simplest of tools. Bill's imagination and artistic expression is reflected in the detail and artistry represented by every sculpture.

There is something about each sculpture that is a surprise to the onlooker. It could be the size, function, or the fact that the "Bear" in the bushes is made entirely out of nails. The average sculpture takes about 60,000 to 80,000 nails which are welded to a hand formed steel armature.

NAILS, why nails? These pieces became a favorite because of the unique technique and medium. Originally the nails symbolized fur on his animal sculptures, which lead to the most important work of his life, using nails to create a representation of Christ. When you see his Christ sculptures made from nails, it depicts the pain and sacrifice Jesus suffered, but to Bill each nail seems to represent sin. (Don't we all have a few nails in Christ?)

The Sculptures



Crucifix made from nails



Bear made from nails
Winner of Disney's
Festival of the Masters



Life size Bison made from steel plate
and welded nails



35' diameter spider
Barber Motorsports
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