

Geoffrey C. Smith

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Artist Statement

"You protect what you love, and you love what you're familiar with...what you're connected to. My sculptures pay homage to the beauty in our environment, but also inspiring a desire in people to get out on the water and get out in the woods. The purpose of my art is to connect a person to nature and the environment. That kind of personal connection can lead to lifelong stewardship."

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Public Commissions

- 2021** Florida Oceanographic Society, Ocean Eco Center - Stuart, FL – **Treasured Reef** – 14' Wide, 3 life-size Coral Reef structures encrusted with many fish, Stingrays, Shark, Loggerhead turtles, Moray Eel, and an Octopus opening a giant clam. Gold coins are tucked into the back of the sculpture inspiring the question, "What is treasure to you?"
- 2020** River House Condos, Stuart, FL – **Out of the Channel** – 95" Mangrove Tree holding 3 Life and a half size Brown Pelicans.
- 2019** Rocky Point Estate, FL – **The Old Man and The Sea Monument** – Life and a half size old fisherman in a boat catching a large marlin leaping into the air 13' overall height.
- 2018** Veranda Gardens, Port St. Lucie, FL – **Great Blue Heron Duet** – Bronze Sculpture, Becker Road.
- 2018** HC Brentwood Hill Center, Brentwood, TN – **Heron Duet** – 2-Life-Size Great Blue Herons Nesting.
- 2017** U.S. State Department, Washington D.C. – **Rising Above** – Bronze Sculpture by Geoffrey C. Smith, for The President of the United States, Given to Pope Francis, **SCULPTURE LOCATED IN THE VATICAN, ROME**
- 2016** The City of Stuart – Stuart, FL – **Tri-Herons Fountain** - Three Life-Size Great Blue Herons in a tree, located at the entrance to Historic Downtown Stuart. Dedicated to the Artist's 5 Children.
- 2015** The City of Stuart - Stuart, FL - Birds on Colorado Avenue - Five life-size individual bronze sculptures of bird's native to Florida. **American Heritage** (Eagle), **Pair of Osprey**, **Skimming the Wave III** (Pelican), **The Roseate Spoonbill** and **The Dancing Sandhill Crane**.
- 2013** Cleveland Clinic Tradition Hospital, Tradition, FL - **Lotus Wall Flowers** and Multiple Photographs, located in Lobby.
- 2013** Stuart Police Department, Stuart, FL – **911 Memorial** – bronze sculpture depicting three firemen at the Twin Towers 830 SE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Stuart, FL. Located in Lobby.
- 2010** Florida Oceanographic Society - Stuart, FL – **The Sea Life Monument** – 19' tall bronze monument depicting a variety of wildlife endemic to Florida's Treasure Coast. The impressive sculpture reminds visitors of the degree of wildlife diversity the region offers. 890 NE Ocean Blvd, Stuart, FL.
- 2010** Willoughby Country Club - Stuart, FL – **Errie Ball Bust** – Life and a Half bronze bust of Golf Legend Errie Ball 3001 SE Doubleton Dr., Stuart, FL 34997
- 2009** Weather Discovery Center - Punxsutawney, PA – **Punxsutawney Phil** – life-size bronze sculpture of the groundhog, Punxsutawney Phil.
- 2008** The Children's Museum - Indian Riverside Park - Jensen Beach, FL – **Life's Journey** – 16' tall bronze sculpture of mother and calf dolphins leaping - 1707 NE Indian River Dr., Jensen Beach, FL.

- 2008** Sheridan Sand Key, Clearwater, FL – **Paradise Tryptic** – 3 bronze wall-mounts depicting Palms, Osprey, Pelicans, Stingrays & Dolphins and **Beach Comber**, Life-Size child with bucket holding a crab.
- 2007** Harborage Yacht Club - Stuart, FL – **Blue Thunder** Fountain with 16’ Leaping Blue Marlin & tuna bronze sculpture
915 NW Flagler Ave, Stuart, FL.
- 2006** Jensen Beach High School - Jensen Beach, FL – **The Falcon Monument** – 12’ tall bronze sculpture of a Falcon representing Jensen Beach High School’s mascot, the falcon statue was commissioned by Paul and Helen Kleinfeld in honor of their son, Ryan. The statue symbolizes the heights students can achieve and honors the “Spirit of Success.”
2875 NW Goldenrod Rd, Jensen Beach, FL
- 2005** Cleveland Clinic Martin North Hospital, - Stuart, FL – **Trio of Leaping Bottlenose Dolphin Fountain** – featuring a 7’ tall bronze sculpture of three bottlenose dolphins - 711 SE Osceola St., Stuart, FL.
- 2004** Cleveland Clinic Martin Health, Weissman Cancer Center - Stuart, FL – **The Shell Boys Fountain** – Two life-size figures (5’ tall). Created to honor the gift of Virginia Budd to the Martin Memorial Cancer Center, the piece depicts two young boys playfully interacting with one another with impressive giant clam shells. 501 SE Osceola St, Stuart, FL.
- 2003** City of Stuart - Stuart, FL – **The Stuart Sailfish Monument Fountain** – featuring an 18’ tall bronze sailfish, which has become the iconic symbol of the city, SW Joan Jefferson Way, Stuart, FL.
- 2000** Palm Beach Zoo - Palm Beach, FL – **Water Dogs** – bronze sculpture of two life-size river otters at play, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach, FL 33405.
- 1998** Nature Works - Tulsa, OK – **Tishomingo Canadas** – bronze sculpture of a pair of 1 ¼ life-size bronze Canada Geese, 8’ tall.
- 1996** The Audubon Institute - New Orleans, LA – **Family of Twenty-One Ducks** – 1 ½ life-size bronze sculpture.
- 1995** Oliver DeGray Vanderbilt – **Skimming the Waves** – Jupiter Island Church bronze sculpture of life-size pelican flying.
- 1992** Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks - Miles City, MT, LS – **Pronghorn Antelope** – bronze sculpture the winning proposal of the Montana Arts Council. The piece captures the spirit of Montana’s wildlife heritage. Smith wanted to convey the feelings of leadership, alertness, and power to visitors of the Region 7 Department of Fish and Wildlife.
- 1990** Gift to President George H. W. Bush, now permanently placed outside the George H. W. Bush Presidential Library - College Station, TX – LS **Eagle Study** – bronze sculpture of an American bald eagle.
- 1990** Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks - Billings, MT – **Canada Geese Monument** – 8’H sculpture of five life-size geese.

***BUDGET AND PROJECT MANAGER CONTACT, AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMISSIONS. / LAST 5 YEARS**

Awards/Accolades

- 2019** **Nominated 2019 Artist Hall of Fame**, Tallahassee, FL
- 2018** **Director’s Choice Award**, Art of association. For Sweetwater Heron – Lighthouse Art Center – Tequesta, FL
Nominated 2018 Artist Hall of Fame, Tallahassee FL
- 2017** **Nominated 2017 Artist Hall of Fame**, Tallahassee FL
- 2016** **MARTies Award** for “Outstanding Visual Artist”
- 2015** **Merit Award** for the *Modern Pelican* – Society of Animals Artists in Recognition for the *Birds on Colorado* – City of Stuart
- 2011** **Knighted**, International order of St. Hubertus by his Imperial Highness Archduke Istvan von Habsburg-Lothringen, Archduke of Austria
- 2006** **The Official Wildlife Sculptor of Florida - Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission**, for “Excellence in capturing the beauty of Florida’s wildlife and in appreciation for outstanding artistic contributions to Florida’s wildlife resources”.
- 2003** **Acknowledgement from the City of Stuart** - Recognition for creating Magnificent Sailfish Sculpture - The Heart of the City
- 1993** **Artist of the Year** - Sacramento Safari Club
- 1992** **Best of Show** Safari Club International Convention
- 1990** **Personal Thank You letter from President George W. Bush** for his “Eagle Study” – The White House, Washington DC

Monumental Private Commissions

- 2021** *The Everglades Gator*, 12 ft charging Florida Alligator
- 2020** *Tree of Birds*, 19 ft tall custom tree of Birds, Jupiter Island, FL
- 2019** *Old Man and the Sea*, Stuart, FL, 1.5 Life-Size Fisherman in a boat catching a Life-Size Marlin Fish Leaping out of the air
Rain Forest of the Sea, Saudi Arabia, 8-foot Coral Reef with fish
Autumn Splendor, Brentwood, TN, life-size Buck and Doe Whitetail Deer Pair, leaping in a circle
- 2018** *Osprey Tree*, Stuart, FL, Life-Size Osprey atop a Life size Tree
Great Blue Heron Duet, Nashville, TN, LS Great Blue Heron Duet
- 2017** *Tree of Birds*, Stuart, FL, 18' Life-Size Tree of Life Size Birds
Wahoo Trio, Stuart, FL, Special Order Wahoo Trio
Life-Size *Great Blue Heron Duet*, Veranda Project, Port St. Lucie, FL
Mangrove Table, Tequesta, FL, 30" tall Red Mangrove Tree Roots with wading birds, Fish and a Dragonfly under glass
Osprey Pair, Fort Myers, FL, Life-Size Osprey pair atop a tree Sculpture
Round Reef Dining Table, Stuart, FL, 9' Coral Reef, w Multiple Fish includes Shark & Octopus opening a chest of gold
- 2015** *Custom Reef*, Stuart, FL, Jumping Sail, Butterfly Fish
Autumn Splendor, Jupiter, FL, LS Deer Sculpture
The Everglades Gator, Jupiter Island, FL - 12' long 400lb life-size American Alligator bronze sculpture
Leaping Dolphins, Stuart, FL, 60" Dolphins
- 2014** *Unity Doves* Quail Pair, and *Faun*, Wormslow Plantation, Savannah, GA
- 2013** *Mother Ocean Circle Hook*, Port St. Lucie, FL, Sculpture
- 2012** *Pal Joey*, Ocean City, MD, Life Size Frank Sinatra as Pal Joey
Poodles on Pillows, Jupiter, FL, Custom Poodle sculptures
- 2008** Life-size *Old Man and the Sea*, Man, Boat and Marlin, Stuart, FL
- 2007** *Custom Ocean Reef Table*, Palm Beach Gardens, FL, Custom Reef table
- 2006** *Parrots Sculpture*, Palm Beach Gardens, FL, Parrots Sculpture
- 2003** *Feeding Frenzy*, Marlin for fountain, Jupiter, FL, L/S White Marlin
- 2002** *Yacht Bronze* Sculpture, Jupiter, FL, Sculpture
Custom Reef Table, Naples, FL, Custom Reef table
- 2001** *Custom Tree of Birds*, Palm Beach Gardens, FL
- 2000** *Canadian Geese Monument*, Bay City, MI

Permanent Museum Collections

- The Vatican, Vatican City, Rome
- James Museum, St. Petersburg, Florida
- International Wildlife Museum - Tucson, AZ
- George HW Bush Presidential Library, College Station, Texas

Significant Corporate Collections

- Cleveland Clinic Health System, FL
- The Tom and Mary James/Raymond James Financial Art Collection - St. Petersburg, FL
- Zoo Montana - Billings, MT
- Audubon Zoo – New Orleans, LA
- MBNA Bank Headquarters, ME
- GE Capital Corporate Gift Program Norwalk, CT
- Union Planters Bank, Memphis, TN
- City of Stuart, Florida
- Ford Motor Company Regional Offices - Downers Grove, IL
- Sailfish Point County Club, Stuart, FL
- Seacoast National Bank Building, Palm Beach Gardens, FL
- Ducks Unlimited, National Headquarters, Memphis, TN
- Harbor Ridge Country Club, Palm City, FL
- Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Birmingham, AL
- Gulf State Paper Headquarters, Birmingham, AL
- Henry Paulson, former United States Secretary of the Treasury, Little St. Simon's Island, GA
- California Waterfowl Association, Fresno, CA
- The Audubon Institute, New Orleans, LA
- St. Joseph's Hospital, Stockton, CA
- Zoological Society of the Palm Beaches, West Palm Beach, FL
- Lost Tree Country Club, Jupiter, FL
- Estate of the late Frances Langford, Rio, FL
- Raymond James Financial Art Collection, Clearwater, FL
- The Worrell Collection, Albemarle County, VA
- The President of Costa Rica Luis Guillermo Solis' San Jose, Costa Rica
- Jeb Bush, former Florida Governor Coral Gables, FL
- Bank of Stockton, Stockton, CA
- Town of Jupiter Island, FL
- City of West Palm Beach, FL
- Greenbriar Duck Club, Hughes, AK
- John Whitney Payson Estate, Jupiter Island, FL

Publications and Media

- *TCPalm.com*, *Luminaries*, "Wise owl, wiser child, highlight unveiling of Geoffrey Smith sculpture" – January 9, 2018
- *The Stuart News*, "Natural Talent" - Wednesday, August 23, 2017
- *The Washington Post*, "Pope welcomes Trump to the Vatican despite past disagreements" - May 24, 2017
- *NPR* "'We Can Use Peace,' President Trump Says After Exchanging Gifts with Pope" - May 24, 2017
- *The Palm Beach Post*, "The local artist behind President Trump's gift to Pope Francis" - May 24, 2017
- *TCPalm.com* "How a sculpture given to the Pope made us all less testy about Trump" - May 26, 2017
- *Indian River Magazine* "Monumental Artist" - Summer 2010
- *The Stuart News* "Artist builds 'The Enlightened Sea'" - August 2009
- *The Stuart News* "Going for Bronze in Stuart" - April 2009
- *The Palm Beach Post* "Catch of the Day" - November 2007
- *The Stuart News* "Keeping It Clean" - September 2003
- *Bill Fishing Magazine* Cover Volume 3 NO. 3 - March 2003
- *The Palm Beach Post* "Sailfish Statue dedicated as gateway to Stuart" - February 2003

- *The Stuart News* “Officials dedicate 2 new landmarks in Downtown Stuart” - February 2003
- *The Stuart News* “History on Tour” - February 2003
- *The Palm Beach Post* “Stuart sailfish statue installed” - January 2003
- *The Palm Beach Post* “Sailfish statue graces downtown Stuart” - January 2003
- *The Palm Beach Post* “Sailfish only one creature in sculptor’s natural world” - January 2003
- *The Stuart News* “Catch of the day - sailfish statue - reeled in” - January 2003
- *The Stuart News* “Social Scene” - January 2003
- *The Stuart News* “Downtown fountain lands its sailfish today” - December 2002
- *The Palm Beach Post* “Sculpture of sailfish planned for roundabout” - October 2002
- *The Palm Beach Post* “A marlin sees glory in ‘Sailfish Capital’” - June 2001
- *Double Gun Journal*, “*Geoffrey Smith Sculptor*” – Spring 2001
- *The Stuart News* “Spreading his wings” - January 2001
- *Wildlife Art* - July/August 1998 Cover and *Sculpting with Heart*, Featured Artist article (5 Pages)
- *The Post and Courier* “Smith’s lions guarding Charleston Place” - February 1997
- *Wildlife Art* - May/June 1996
- *Bozeman Daily Chronicle* “Locally cast lion headed to Colorado” - April 1995
- *The Journal of The Dallas Safari Club* Vol. I, No. 4 (Autumn 1994)
- *Montana Arts Council* “Wildlife Sculptor Completes Percent-for-Art Commission” - September 1992
- *Idaho State Journal* “Wildlife sculptor to show work” - March 1990
- *Williston Daily Herald* “Art show scenes” - May 1988

Current Representation

- Geoffrey C. Smith Galleries - Stuart, Florida
- Geoffrey C. Smith Galleries - Port Salerno, Florida
- John Carroll Doyle Gallery - Charleston, South Carolina
- Tripp Harrison Gallery - St. Augustine, Florida
- New Masters Gallery - Carmel, California
- Plainsman Gallery - Dunedin, Florida
- Alan Maltz Fine Art - Key West, Florida
- Artsy and Saatchi Online Representation
- Sotheby’s – Russell Roberto Gallery – Islamorada, Florida

Current Member of the following Organizations

- Society of Animal Artists 1990 - present
- Martin Artisans Guild
- The Florida Oceanographic Society, Stuart, FL (lifetime member)
- National Audubon and Local Audubon Society, **Current Board Member**

Current Book

Geoffrey C. Smith, Sculptor, Michael Sabbeth, ISBN 0-9761299-06

Trophies / Awards Created for Agencies and Institutions

- Neil Armstrong Award of Excellence, Astronaut Scholarship Foundation
- State of Florida Aware, Florida Fish & Wildlife Foundation
- Wings Award, The Pegasus Foundation
- Marjorie Harris Carr Award for Environmental Advocacy, Florida Defenders of the Environment
- Lotus Society Award, Kane Foundation

- The Lost Tree Pelican Award, The Lost Tree Village Charitable Foundation
- Frances Langford Humanitarian Award, Tocqueville Society, United Way of Martin County
- Barstow-Reed Society, Martin Health Foundation
- International Game & Fish Association - IGFA
- Hawaiian Billfish Series
- Pursuit Boats
- Albemarle Boats
- Bass Pro Shops Stick Marsh Veterans Bass Challenge
- Berges et Company, International White Marlin Tournament
- Club Nautico, De Santo Domingo
- Cheeca Lodge, Islamorada, FL
- Custom Shoot Out Billfish Foundation
- Pine Creek Sporting Club
- Sailfish Point Yacht Club

Charities & Causes Geoffrey C. Smith continually supports and contributes

Astronaut Scholarship Foundation	Busch Wildlife Center	Bahama Billfish Championship	California Waterfowl Assoc.
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation	Everglades Foundation	Environmental Studies Council	Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
Florida Oceanographic Society	Hobe Sound Nature Center	Humane Society of the Treasure Coast	MacArthur Beach State Park (Friends of) ART SHOW
Martin County Arts Council	Martin County Fair Association	Martin County Community Foundation	Martin Memorial Foundation
Project Lift	Pegasus Foundation	Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary	Treasure Coast Hospice
The Stuart Sailfish Club, Inc	US Sailing Center	Volunteers in Medicine	United Way Martin County
Fish & Wildlife Foundation of Florida	Women's Club of Stuart	Treasure Coast Wildlife Center	The Children's Museum of Martin County. Former Board Member

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