PENLAND GALLERY

STEPHEN YUSKO Cleveland, OH

METAL | Sculpture

Penland Affiliation | Penland Instructor 1997, 1999, 2006, 2013, 2022, 2023, Penland Studio Assistant

Artist Information | Studio artist; education: BFA University of Akron (OH), MFA Southern Illinois University (IL); teaching: Touchstone Center for Crafts (PA), Haystack Mountain School of Crafts (ME), Penland School of Craft (NC); exhibitions: *The Way Things Go*, Sculpture Center (OH), *Tributaries*, Metal Museum (TN), *A Way Home*, William Busta Gallery (OH), *Transformations*, Maass Gallery SUNY Purchase (NY); public art: Wendy Park Bridge Gateway Sculptures, collaboration with Stephen Manka, Wendy Park, Cleveland (OH), Edgewater Park Swings, collaboration with Stephen Manka, Edgewater Park, Cleveland (OH)

Artist Statement | I create sculpture, furniture, and vessels in my Cleveland, OH, studio using mixed material combined with forged, machined and fabricated steel. Inspired by the convergence of structure and mechanisms—the things that make the thing—I explore themes of balance, distance and concepts of home. My recent works are a forged response to the precarious nature of our relationships with the environment, the political landscape and with each other.