

# Ken Loeber

Trained as a sculptor, Ken Loeber has exhibited his jewelry nationally and internationally for over 30 years. In February 2002, Ken survived a severe stroke which left him without the use of his right hand. Fortunately, Ken is left-handed and has many colleagues and friends who encouraged him to return to his studio and work. With new equipment and great determination, he continues to design and create 18K gold and sterling silver jewelry with his partner, fiber artist, Dona Look.

## EDUCATION:

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee: MFA sculpture, 1978. BFA 1970.

## DOCUMENTARY FILM:

CRAFT IN AMERICA. *Community*. PBS series with traveling exhibition and book.

Ken Loeber and Dona Look featured in Part 3, *Community*

TOURING EXHIBITION: April 2007-2009

BOOK: October 2007

## AWARDS:

Lakefront Festival of Arts, Jewelry Award, Milwaukee Art Museum. 2009.

Presentation Brooch to Queen Sophia of Spain. Gift from the U.S. State Department. 2001.

Fellow's Choice Award, American Craft Council, Baltimore. curator: Michael Monroe. 1996.

NEA: Arts Midwest Fellowship, 1985.

13<sup>th</sup> International Pearl Design Competition Award Winner, Tokyo, Japan, 1985.

American Craft Museum Design Award, 1985.

J. E. Caldwell Prize for Excellence in Jewelry, 1983.

## MUSEUM COLLECTIONS:

American Museum of Art and Design, New York, NY.

Racine Art Museum, Racine, WI.

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS:

Craft in America, Jo Lauria + Steve Fenton, Clarkson Potter Publishers, New York. 2007. Page 235.

Modern Jewelry from Modular Parts, Marthe Le Van, Lark Books, Sterling Publishing, NY. 2007

NO: Nouvel Objet, Design House, Seoul, Korea, 1996. page 120-123.

Metalsmith, 1996 *Exhibition in Print*, vol. 16, no. 4, page 7.

American Craft, *Focus: Ken Loeber*, April/May 1995, page 83.

ORNAMENT, *Ken Loeber*, vol. 14, no. 4, summer 1991, page 36.

Four Seasons of Jewelry, *Ken Loeber*, Tokyo, Japan, no. 85, June 1989, page 93.

Poetry of the Physical, American Craft Museum Catalog. 1986.

ORNAMENT, *Ken Loeber*, vol.6, no. 4, 1983, page 28.

American Craft, *Ken Loeber*, June/July 1985.

American Jewelry Now, American Craft Museum Catalog, 1985.

Jewelry USA, American Craft Museum Catalog, 1984.

## SELECTED EXHIBITIONS AND SHOWS:

*What a Dish! Dinnerware and Serving Pieces from RAM's Collections*, Racine Art Museum, Racine WI. 2007

*The Art of Gold*, curator: Michael Monroe, exhibition touring USA. 2003-2006.

Solo Show: Perimeter Gallery, Chicago, IL. 1982, 1984, 1986, 1992, 1994, 1998.

Smithsonian Craft Show, Smithsonian Institution, Washington DC. 1985-1986, 1993-2001, 2006-2008.

*Celebrating American Craft*, The Danish Museum of Decorative Art, Copenhagen, Denmark. 1997.

Philadelphia Craft Show, Philadelphia Museum of Art, PA. 1982-1984, 1991-2001, 2004-2006, 2008.

American Craft Exposition, Evanston IL. 1985, 1986, 1991-2002, 2005-2009.

Edgewood Orchard Gallery, Fish Creek, WI. Featured artist: 1997, 1999.

New Gold III, Joanne Rapp Gallery, Scottsdale, AZ. 1996.

Brooch the Subject, Tempe Arts Center. Traveling Exhibition. 1996-1998.

*Ten American Jewelers*, Perimeter Gallery, Chicago IL, and Racine Art Museum, Racine, WI. 1993.

*Borne With a Silver Spoon*, Traveling exhibition. Curator: Rosanne Raab Assoc., 1992-1994.

*Craft Today: USA*, American Craft Museum Exhibition touring Europe. 1989-1993.

Solo Shows, Carol Saunders Gallery, Columbia, SC. 1985, 1987, 1991, 1995.

*Artful Objects: Recent American Craft*, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, IN. 1989.

*Craft Today: Poetry of the Physical*, American Craft Museum, New York, NY. 1987-1988.

*Wisconsin Craft Masters*, C.A. Wustum Museum of Fine Arts, Racine, WI. 1988.

NEA Arts Touring Exhibition, 1986-1987.

*Designed and Made for Use*, American Craft Museum, New York, NY. 1985.

*Jewelry USA*, American Craft Museum, New York, NY. 1984.

*American Jewelry Now*, Exhibition touring Asia and New Zealand. 1985.