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Artist Bio

James Brenner received his Bachelors of Fine Arts from the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis and Masters of Fine Arts in sculpture from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. In the 20 years of his professional career as a sculptor, Brenner has served as a core artist for the Chicago Public Art Group, the director of Chicago Sculpture Works, and the director of the annual "Paradise Pour" iron pour and artist residency in Columbus, IN. Brenner's work ranges from large-scale, interactive steel sculptures, to collaborative, public art projects, to synergistic iron casting events.

Integral to their surrounding physical and social environments, his sculptures serve as platforms for social dialogue. His work asks the viewer not only to observe, but also to engage to become a viewer/participant either in the process of the making or the way the sculpture is experienced. Brenner has participated as a visiting artist on over 20 occasions nationwide, completed over 30 public and corporate arts commissions, and his work has joined numerous public and private collections across the country and abroad.