

**BILL STEFFY**

Born: Moline, Illinois, 1933  
Died: Houston, Texas, 2015

**Education**

1959 Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona  
1958-59 Chouinard Art Institute, Los Angeles, California  
1955-57 Phoenix Junior College, Phoenix, Arizona

**Teaching**

1970-74 Glassell School of Art, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas  
1967-69 Jewish Community Center, Houston, Texas

**Selected Commissions and Collections**

Houston Airport System, City of Houston  
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas  
Andrews, Kurth, Campbell & Jones, Houston, Texas  
Caudill, Rowlett & Scott Architects, Houston, Texas  
Apollo XV, NASA, Clear Lake City, Texas (Moonstones were taken to the moon by astronauts David Scott, James Irwin, and Alfred Worden on the Apollo flight. Upon their return, the pins were designed, executed, and then the astronauts gave the pins to their wives.)

**Solo Exhibitions**

2010 Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas (in conjunction with Society of North American Goldsmiths Conference)  
2006 "Drawings and Sculpture", Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas  
1984 Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas (with Arthur Turner)  
1979 Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas  
1977 Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas (with Joe Atteberry and Bob Camblin)  
1976 "Origin of the Birds", Covo de longh Gallery, Houston, Texas (with Bob Camblin)  
1974 The PM Ltd. Gallery, Houston, Texas

**Group Exhibitions**

2020 "The Marzio Years: Transforming the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston 1982-2010", The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas  
2016-17 "Flora and Fauna", Tyler Museum of Art, Tyler, Texas, curated by Caleb Bell  
2015-16 "40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibition", Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas  
2015 "Uncovered", Williams Tower Gallery, Houston, Texas, curated by Sally Sprout  
"houston artists HALL OF FAME @ HFAF", Houston Fine Arts Fair, George R Brown Convention Center, Houston, Texas, curated by Patricia C. Johnson  
"Course of Action: 50 Years of Jewelry and Enamel at The Glassell School of Art", Curated by Nathan Dube, Jan Harrell, and Sandie Zilker, Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, Houston, Texas  
2013 "Editions", Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas  
2010 "35 Years: Anniversary Exhibition", Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas  
2008 "Chappell Hill Art Walk", Chappell Hill Historical Society, Chappell Hill, Texas

- 2007 "Pushing the Envelope", Williams Tower Gallery, Houston, Texas  
 "Book Works", Galveston Arts Center, Galveston, Texas
- 2006 "Collectors X 3", Art League Houston, Houston, Texas
- 2005 "The Natural World", Beeville Art Museum, Beeville, Texas
- 2003 "For the Birds", Galveston Arts Center, Galveston, Texas
- 2000 "25 Years", Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas
- 1996 "The Bird Show", West End Gallery, Houston, Texas
- 1995 "Genesis in Fire: Works from Green Mountain Foundry", Glassell School of Art  
 Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas and the Art Museum of South Texas,  
 Corpus Christi, Texas  
 Group Exhibition, Milagros Contemporary Art, San Antonio, Texas
- 1994 "Stories", Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas
- 1993 "Fur, Fins, Feathers and More", Galveston Arts Center, Galveston, Texas  
 "Miniatures", Hooks-Epstein Galleries, Houston, Texas
- 1992 "Cross Show", Lynn Goode Gallery, Houston, Texas
- 1990 "Cross Show", Lynn Goode Gallery, Houston, Texas  
 "15 Year Anniversary Exhibition", Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas  
 "Objects", Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas
- 1989 "Texas Metals Invitational", San Antonio Museum of Art, San Antonio, Texas
- 1987-89 "Toy Show", The Nave Museum, Victoria, Texas (traveling exhibition organized by  
 the Nave Museum)
- 1988 "The Houston Touch", Art League of Houston, Houston, Texas  
 "Texas Artists", Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas  
 "Zoomorphism: Animals in Art", Trammell Crow Center, Dallas, Texas, curated by  
 Paul R. Harris
- 1987 "Handmade in Texas", Craft Guild of Dallas, Dallas, Texas, curated by Paul R. Harris
- 1985 "Texas Artists: A Group Exhibition", Moody Gallery, Houston, Texas
- 1984 "Buy-Product", Glassell School of Art, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas
- 1983 "A Salute to Houston Artists", Midtown Art Center, Houston, Texas  
 "Fourth Texas Sculpture Symposium", Soho Gallery, Austin, Texas
- 1982 "A Celebration of Texas Sculpture", Sam Houston State University Sculpture  
 Center, Huntsville, Texas  
 "Moody Gallery Exhibition", Linda Durham Gallery, Santa Fe, New Mexico
- 1981 "Lone Star Sampler", Texas Commerce Bank, Houston, Texas
- 1977 "Ten from Texas", The Art Center, Waco, Texas
- 1970-74 "Annual Faculty Exhibition", Glassell School of Art, Museum of Fine Arts,  
 Houston, Texas
- 1967-68 "Annual Faculty Exhibition", Jewish Community Center, Houston, Texas

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