JONATHAN CHEQUERS

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ARTIST STATEMENT

My practice is largely abstract/semi-abstract using expressive form and colour. I normally explore a particular theme through a series of works. Through this along with additional study enables me to develop and deepen the theme. This sculptural research is an integral element of my practice.

Patination or colouration of my work is vitally important for me. Throughout my sculpture practice I have always questioned the assumptions around the standard or expected bronze-type colouration of cast work. I believe colour can enhance and bring an additional emotional charge or resonance to the work.

BIOGRAPHY

2020 — Current	Current Visiting tutor at Tobias School of Art & Therapy
2015 — Current	Exhibiting Member of Surrey Sculpture Society
2009 — Current	Sculpting two days per week at the Hoathly Hill Sculpture Studio and several evenings at home
2003 — 2020	General Manager at Tobias School of Art & Therapy
2002 — 2004	Part time Visual Arts Coordinator at Chequer Mead Act Centre, East Grinstead
2002 —	Editor of Art in Flow, a newsletter for north Mid Sussex artists
1998 — 2003	Awarded a BA in Visual Culture at Brighton University followed by a MA from Reading University
1995 — 1998	Teaching sculpture whilst also maintaining my own sculpture practice. I started exhibiting with the Sussex Sculpture Society including galleries at Lewes, Brighton and Hove.
1995 — 1996	Part time C&G Adult Education Certificate
1992 — 1995	Full time sculpture training at the Hoathly Hill Sculpture Studio
1991 —	Completed a one-year sculpture course at the Open College of Art at Brighton University
Prior to 1991	Wood carving at home