

# Mechthild Ehmann

*Sculptures*



Portfolio



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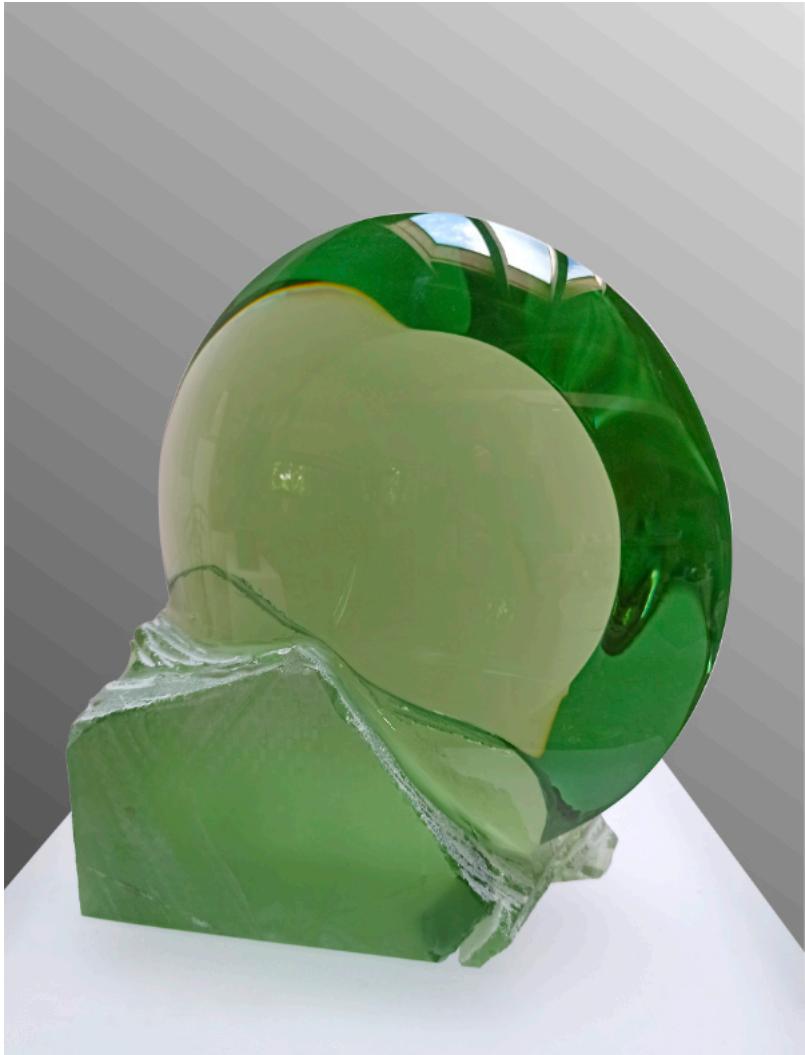


INTIMATE • 2019 • Solid glass, cut, polished • variable, approx. 45 cm high



CLEAR MIND • 2024 • Massivglas, geschliffen, poliert • 10 x 25 x 23 cm

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POLARMOON • 2024 • Massivglas, geschliffen, poliert • 24 x 10 x 25 cm



BUCKWHEAT • 2014 • Bronze, patinated, polished, lacquered • 120 x 130 x 150 cm  
Collection Würth, Inv. 16879



LITTLE HEART • 2015 • Bronze, gold plated • 24 x 22 x 16 cm



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## Mechthild Ehmann, \*1963

### Brief text

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With her classical conception of sculptural language and in distant kinship with Brancusi, Arp and Hepworth, Mechthild Ehmann gets right to the heart of things with her unremitting passion for form and material.

Opposing, even contradictory themes and material properties merge into a unity in the sculptural process: compact and open, stable and mobile, grounded and floating. Hardly anyone can resist the thrill of touching the sculptures and is very surprised to be able to turn them a full rotation with great ease.

## Biography

- 1982      Abitur at the Jesuit College St. Blasien  
1983–88    Apprenticeship as a stonemason at the Münsterbauhütte Schwäbisch Gemünd  
1988–94    Studied sculpture at the State Academy of Fine Arts in Stuttgart,  
              with Prof. Karl-Henning Seemann, Prof. Micha Ullman  
              Lives and works in the southern part of the Black Forest (D)

## Contests/Prizes

- 2017      Bräunlich-Bieser Prize, Waldshut-Tiengen  
2011      Prix A.D.A.G.P Grand Palais, Paris (F)  
2010      Gold Medal Salon des Artistes Francais, Grand Palais, Paris (F)  
              Prix E.-M. Sandoz, Foundation Taylor, Paris (F)  
2008      Silver Medal Salon des Artistes Francais, Grand Palais, Paris  
2007      Zonta Regio Art Prize (CH, D, F)  
2000      Promotion Prize of the Energy Baden-Württemberg  
Solo exhibitions, participation in exhibitions and fairs in Austria, Belgium, Great Britain, France, Germany, the Netherlands and Switzerland.

## Exhibitions in detail

- 2024      Altes Schloss, Wehr  
              Die Faszination in der Form, Stadtstadel Kempten  
              Stream Art Gallery, Brüssel (B)  
              Flow Fine Art, Leverkusen  
2023      art KARLSRUHE, mit ART-isotoper  
              Knokke Art Fair, Knokke (B), with ART-isotope  
              mianki.Gallery, Berlin  
              Discovery art fair Frankfurt with Galerie Thomas Huehsam  
              ART MUC 2023 with Galerie Thomas Huehsam

2022	Villa Berberich, Bad Säckingen Alte Kirche St. Michael, Stadtmuseum and Kunstverein Schopfheim e.V. art KARLSRUHE, with ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber
2021	Museum Schloss Bonndorf ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber, Fröndenberg 25. International Sculpture Symposium St. Blasien Art at Hoffbauers, Winningen
2020	Neues Archiv, Burg Wertheim, with ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber art KARLSRUHE, with ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber
2019	Galerie Mauritiushof, Bad Zurzach (CH) Neues Archiv Burg, Wertheim, with ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber Kunstverein Löffingen Kunstverein Haus Salmeegg, Rheinfelden
2018	EuropArtFair, Amsterdam (NL) Hans-Thoma-Museum, Bernau Galerie Altes Schloss, Wehr art KARLSRUHE, with ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber Schlosskeller Waldshut-Tiengen, Prize-winners' exhibition
2017	Kunsthalle Würth, Schwäbisch Hall art KARLSRUHE, with ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber
2016	Country representation Rheinland Pfalz, Berlin Hans-Thoma-Museum, Bernau Kunsttage Winningen Atelier Laubach, Ostrach-Laubbach art KARLSRUHE, with ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber
2015	Galerie Altes Schloss, Wehr Contemporary Art Ruhr (C.A.R), Essen, with ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber Kunstverein Bad Säckingen

- Kunstverein Bahlingen a.K.  
art KARLSRUHE, with ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber  
2014 Museum Herborn  
art-fair Köln, with ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber  
interart, Beeldentuin (NL)  
art station, Zürich (CH)  
art KARLSRUHE, with ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber  
2013 Galerie Arthus, Zell am Harmersbach  
ART-isotope · Galerie Schöber, Dortmund  
Galerie Alte Schule Adlershof, Berlin  
Schlosskeller Waldshut-Tiengen  
art KARLSRUHE, with Galerie Arthus Zell a.H.  
Kulturtankstelle Döttingen (CH)  
2012 Galerie Eva Wild, Zürich (CH)  
Salon des Artistes Francais, Paris (F)  
art KARLSRUHE, with Galerie Arthus Zell a.H.  
2011 Flowers Gallery, London (GB)  
Galerie Vagt, Berlin  
Museum Rehmann, Laufenburg (CH)  
Galerie Altes Schloß, Wehr  
Salon des Artistes Francais, Paris (F)  
Kunstverein Löfingen  
Kunst Zürich 2011, with Galerie Eva Wild (CH)  
depot.K, Freiburg  
Galerie Koppenhagen, Berlin  
art KARLSRUHE, with Galerie Arthus Zell a.H.  
2010 interart, Beldentuin (NL)  
art station, Zürich (CH)

	Salon des Artistes Francais, Paris (F)
	Galerie Küper, Stuttgart
	art KARLSRUHE, with Galerie Arthus Zell a.H.
2009	German Embassy, Brussels (B)
	Salon des Artistes Francais, Paris (F)
	EU Country Representation Baden-Württemberg, Brussels (B)
	art KARLSRUHE, with Galerie Arthus Zell a.H.
2008	Salon des Artistes Francais, Paris (F)
	art KARLSRUHE, with Galerie Arthus Zell a.H.
2007	art station, Zürich (CH)
2005	Salon des Artistes Francais, Paris (F)
	art KARLSRUHE, with Galerie Arthus Zell a.H.

## Works in public space/Collections

BUCKWHEAT (bronze), Purchase Würth Collection, Künzelsau  
 PORTRAITS C.a.E. STOLL (bronze), Stoll-Vita-Stiftung, Waldshut  
 TIME STILL (glass), Grellet Glass Museum (A)  
 RELATIONSHIP (bronze), cruise ship AIDA  
 BIG HEAD (granite), Sculpture Path Korber Kopf  
 GAIA (limestone), Villy-en-Auxois (F)  
 FOUNTAIN SCULPTURE (granite), Horb-Dettingen  
 SALVE REGINA (bronze), Patres Garden of the Jesuits, Kolleg St. Blasien  
 THE DREAM OF FLYING (granite), Feldberg  
 DIPYLON (granite), Sculpture Path Hohentengen (D) and Kaiserstuhl (CH)  
 Portrait commissions General Administration of the Max Planck Society, Munich  
 Portraits of the Nobel Prize winner Nüsslein-Vollhard, von Klitzing and Ertl



CHARON • 2018 • Solid glass, cut, polished • 120 x 17 x 9 cm



Exemplary solid glass sculptures – approx. 35 cm high, rotatable

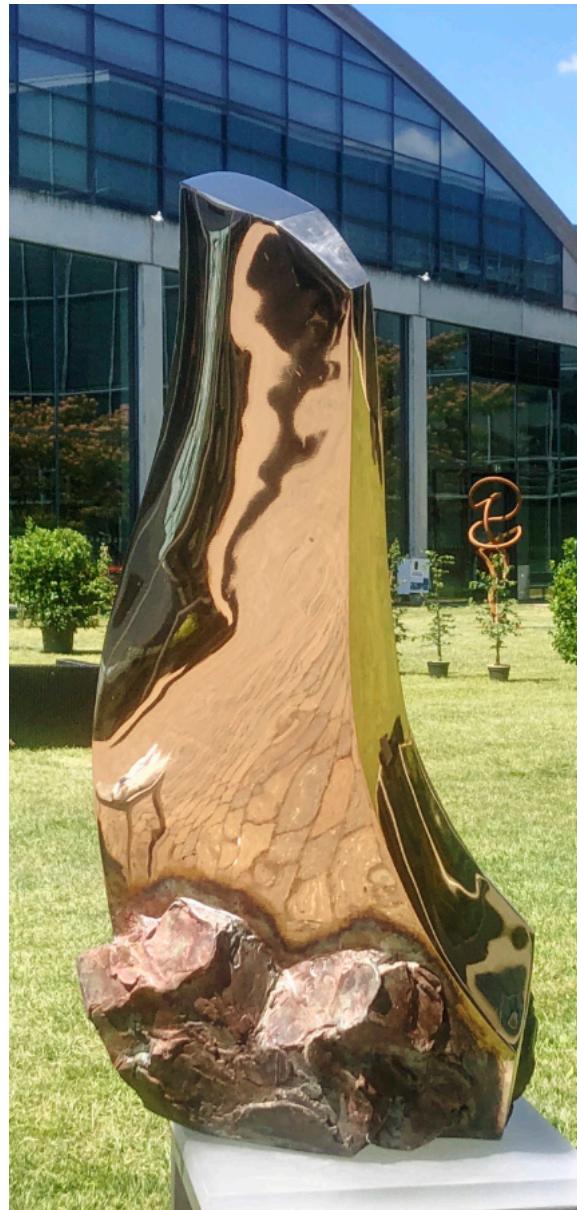
## The work of Mechthild Ehmann

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Contrasting, even mutually contradictory themes and material properties merge into a unity in the sculptural process: stable and mobile, grounded and floating. An aspect of the sculptures that is not initially obvious: each rests on a surprisingly delicate balance point, creating an unexpected and delightful quality of lightness and a sensuality which moves the viewer involuntarily to touch and rotate it.

Through the irrevocable removal of material, the (intended) sculpture emerges in a constant dialogue between the inner imagination and the developing outward.





Transforming the raw stone into an independent, self-contained but/and mobile subject, while honouring and bringing out the special qualities of the material – that is the main preoccupation of Ehmann's work in stone.

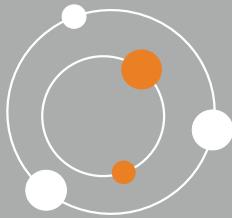
Whereas in the stone sculptures form and volume assert themselves within their surroundings by means of the polished surface, in the bronzes, the reflection of the surrounding space and the (resulting) question of reality and illusion is additionally addressed.

With her more recent work in glass, Mechthild Ehmann remains true to her working method. These sculptures are not cast or blown, but – like the stone sculptures – are worked out of a solid block. They are then ground and polished, in painstakingly graduated steps, to a state of perfect clarity.



Mechthild Ehmann in her outdoor studio working on a solid glass sculpture

In the glass sculptures, the interaction of space and form is given a new dimension by the transparency of the material, creating interior spaces with their own mysterious quality. The sensual surface always serves as the point of contact, an invitation – even a seduction – to an intensely personal, intimate experience.



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