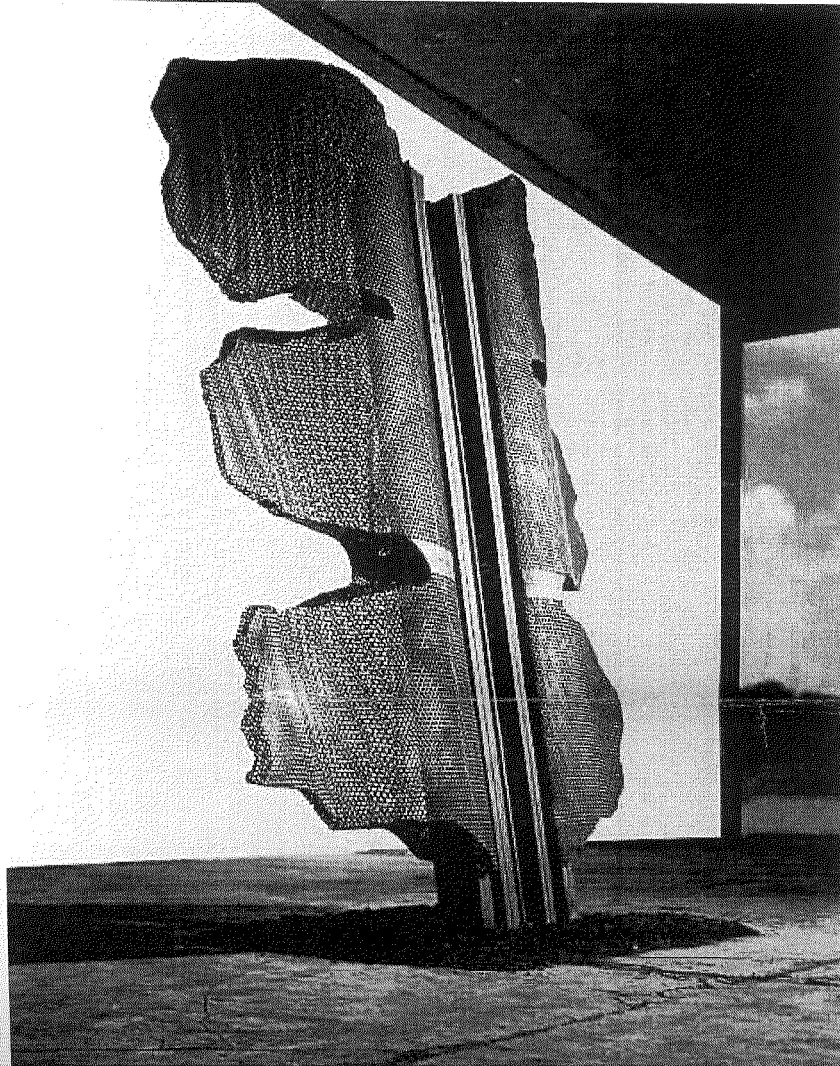


**Emmanuel: Maria Cristina Carlin**

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**Maria Cristina Carlin****Emmanuel Gallery****May 28 - June 18, 2010**

Opening Reception with the Artist Friday, May 28 at 1pm



Maria Cristina Carlin - La Vittoria di Samothrace (The Victory of Samothrace) - Cortin Steel - 2009

(from the press release)

**"Works in Passage" Come to Rest in Denver**

Maria Cristina Carlini's Nomadic Monuments Visit Two Campuses in Denver

The monuments created by Italian sculptress Maria Cristina Carlini are avid world travelers. Carlini's work has graced the Pompidou in Paris, the Guggenheim in Venice, and will now be the focus of a joint exhibition, *Works in Passage*, at the Rocky Mountain College of Art + Design (RMCAD) and the Emmanuel Gallery on Auraria Campus opening May 27. In this rare North American visit, seven of Carlini's powerful, large-scale, outdoor pieces will be placed on the campuses: four in RMCAD's quad—*Out and Inside*, *Icaro* (Icarus), *Isole* (Isolate), and *Granvia* (Grand Road)—and three on the grounds of Auraria—*Madre* (Mother), *Betulle* (Birches), and *La Vittoria di Samothrace* (The Victory of Samothrace.). In addition, the Rotunda Pavilion at RMCAD and the Emmanuel Gallery at Auraria will house maquettes and other educational information about the monuments.

"We are so honored to have been selected as a temporary home for these striking works," says RMCAD Gallery Director Cortney Stell. "Temporary because Carlini's monuments only rest for a moment and then move on to new places. Although some of these nomads take residence, most are short-term guests. The works in this exhibition have endured many climates, hop-scotched continents, and will continue to engage with new publics and new environments. No matter what public or place these works visit, they speak to the human need to survive, communicate, and understand."

In an incredible demonstration of generosity, Carlini will be donating two of her monuments to be permanent additions to the campuses—*Out and Inside* for RMCAD and *Madre* for Auraria. The dedications of these pieces will be part of the opening festivities May 27 – 28: Thursday, May 27 Rocky Mountain College of Art + Design, 1600 Pierce Street, Denver 4 pm: RMCAD Dedication 5 – 8 pm: Opening Reception with the Artist Friday, May 28 Emmanuel Gallery/Auraria Campus, 10th and Lawrence Street Mall, Auraria Campus, Denver 1 pm: Auraria Dedication

The general public is invited to attend these celebrations and exhibitions free of charge to take advantage of the amazing cultural opportunity they offer. The indoor gallery exhibitions will be open through August 6 at RMCAD and through June 18 at Emmanuel Gallery. All outdoor pieces will be on display through October.

**Emmanuel Gallery****Auraria Higher Education Center****10th and Lawrence St Mall**