**Biography**

**Long**

Brandon Burke is an artist from Big Bear, California who works with sculptures. Having grown up with a father who was a contractor/ architect and a brother who is an architect has played a huge influence on the work that he makes. As a child he saw his brother and father building different buildings and has incorporated architecture into most of his work. Another large influence of Brandon’s work is his love for animals. Brandon has owned many animals from the simple cats and dogs to animals like ferrets, sugar gliders, and monkeys. Based off his love for animals he tries to incorporate them into his working. Currently he is making a sculpture to bring awareness about scientific use of animals and animal testing. Brandon is a new artist having only started freshman year of College in the fall of 2014. He gained his interest from when he was younger but never put it to use until he wanted to become a teacher.

**Short**

Brandon Burke was born in Apple Valley, CA in 1995. He is working on getting his BFA from Longwood University in Farmville Virginia. Burke has exhibited in Bedford Junior Show and in the Bedford showcase at Longwood University. Burke specializes in functional and non functional sculptures. Brandon Burke lives and works in Farmville Virginia.