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## Alison Brown '11

An Oregon native, Alison Brown first discovered sculpture during a Will Vinton "Claymation" class at age eleven. She felt a unique joy working with clay, but did not consider sculpting professionally until her junior year of college when she walked into the Rip Caswell Gallery in Troutdale, Oregon.

After finishing her education at the University of Oregon, she returned to the gallery and assisted Caswell on three large-scale monument projects. Applying what she learned from Caswell, she began creating bronze sculptures of her university's "Duck" mascot.

Since working closely with Nita Nickell, Lisa Cannell and Matt Dyste at UO Marketing and Brand Management to get her artwork licensed, she has been doing a lot of sculpting and promoting. "The Duck Store has been very generous in allowing me to use store space to do live sculpting demos, educate people about the process of creating a bronze piece and connect with customers," Alison said. "I owe so much of my progress to the support of Brand Management and The

Duck Store's willingness to support entrepreneurial alumni! These wonderful people nurtured my sales from the beginning, and are consistently offering assistance and advice as I grow my business. I don't want to overlook the importance of those at the UO who have truly offered a helping hand."

Alison says as a result of this support, her business is really taking off. Through her art, she has had opportunities to meet exceptional people who have become clients and are now collectors. She has added to the art collections of Ed Maletis, Peter Jacobsen and Phil Knight. Jacobsen and Maletis recently got into a friendly bidding war for her "Yell-O" sculpture at the Oregon Club of Portland which raised more than \$12,000 in scholarships for student athletes. Alison reports, "This dynamic is what I'm loving most about being in business; I'm feeling a connectedness to my school and to the Duck 'family.""

Officially licensed by Disney and the UO Marketing and Brand Management department, her mascot work is available at The Duck Store and through her business Campus Sculptures www.campussculptures.com. Alison is also



Alison's sculpture was gifted by







## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

November 1-17
Civil War Blood Drive

November 1-30
Members Only-Columbia
Sportswear Employee Store
Access

November 20
<u>Ducks' Night Out</u>
<u>Duck Store Exclusive</u>
<u>Member Shopping Night</u>

November 23
Portland Trail Blazers
Ducks and Beavers Night

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represented as a wildlife artist in galleries such as the Primary Elements Gallery in Cannon Beach, Oregon and The Grand Teton Gallery in Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

Athletics and her to Phil Knight for his induction into the Hall of Fame.

November 24
<u>Lane County</u> OSU Watch Party

December 5 DC Holiday Party 2012

December 13 Treasure Valley Holiday Party

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