

*Greenpoint*  
By Richard Serra



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# Richard Serra



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He lives and  
works in New  
York now.

He used to work  
in steel mills and  
shipyards.



He works on such huge sculptures that one of his assistants died in an accident while involved in helping him assemble a piece. Another worker was seriously injured in New York.



He now uses the computer  
CAD program to design his  
sculptures.

His materials are then made  
commercially and the sculpture  
is created and installed.



Serra believes that the space around his sculptures is just as important as the sculpture itself.

Looking at the sculpture is an event. He wants you, the viewer, to walk into the sculpture, around the sculpture, and then tell someone what you are thinking when you do it.



# Greenpoint



The sculpture weighs  
the same as



1 elephant



5 elephants



15 elephants



and came to Lincoln on two flatbed trucks.

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Originally this sculpture was going to go to...

 Denver

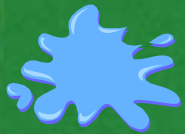
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Germany



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How big do you think  
this sculpture is?

As big as a...



Bicycle



Two story building



Nebraska Capitol



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How big do you think  
this sculpture is?

As big as a...

 Two story building



# Greenpoint

Is this sculpture

asymmetrical

or

symmetrical?



# Greenpoint

Is this sculpture



 symmetrical?



# Here is a fun idea based on *Greenpoint*.



Create an abstract circular sculpture.

Think of where the sculpture is going to go, and have it match that space.

Serra designed on the computer first, so if it's possible, do some thumbnail sketches on the computer.