RHS CHELSEA FLOWER SHOW

LONDON SW3

BRONZE METAL COATING AT THE CHELSEA FLOWER SHOW

The Challenge

Bradley's Metal Finishers was trusted to meet the clients aspirations with high-quality finish and keep the project within budget.

To make these large sculptures out of bronze and bring together different types of matching powder coatings finishes was virtually impossible. However, Bradleys anti-corrosive thermal zinc and Metalite real bronze coating system was able to provide the right finish and durability.

Alongside this, the reality that these sculptures actually make up a large part of the famous telegraph garden at the world renown Chelsea Flower Show, was the challenge of applying metal coating on very large sculptures.

Our Solution

Working closely with the designer, Bradleys experience came to the fore whereby the large sculptural monoliths were dual metal coated. Real bronze to the front and high grade metal powder finish to the rear created an exceptional coalition to reveal the amazing garden.





The Detail

The Chelsea Flower Show, is said to be the world's most prestigious flower show and is visited by the Royal family.

Bronze Metalite adorns the defining features of 2016 winner of "Best in Show" Garden at RHS Chelsea Flower Show. The Telegraph garden features 17 stunning monoliths ranging from 4ft to over 10ft in height, 5 flowing water chutes and a flaming fire bowl.

The "Best in Show" garden award is the ultimate prize at Chelsea and the designer talking about the fins he says "they're made of steel sprayed with bronze so they'll age like bronze and develop a weathered patina."

As with all the Bronze features, the water chutes were fabricated from mild steel and then coated in the unique Metalite coating, to create the character and feel of the garden, whilst being able to withstand the constant flow of water.

Bronze Metalite on "Best in Show" Garden centrepiece

The Bronze coating – "It seemed the obvious choice – I like the ambiguity – as it represents a period in time."

"Amazing what can be done that one is just unaware of!"







PROJECT DATA

Location	Chelsea Embankment, London SW3
Sector	Exhibition
Completion	2016
Items Coated	Monolith sculptures, fire bowl & water chutes
Systems	Metalite Real Metal Coat
Durability	25+ Years External
Finish	MET116 Bronze Antique-Modern









