

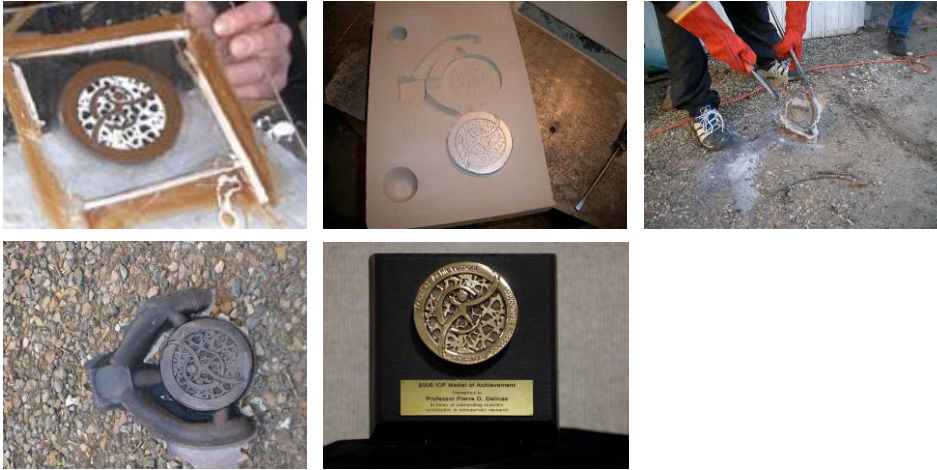
Creation of "IOF President's award" and the "IOF Medal of Achievement"

The recently-awarded "IOF President's award" and the "IOF Medal of Achievement" are original creations made out of solid bronze. These two pieces of art were created exclusively for IOF by the foundry "Les Sables Noirs" in Chandon, France (<http://www.sables-noirs.com/index.php>)

After approval of the designs, the statue and the medal were sculpted by hand, and a mold was built out of sand and resin. Lastly, in a magical and timeless moment, the melted bronze, at a temperature of 1150°C, was poured in the mold which, after cooling of the metal, was destroyed to allow the artist to recover the piece. At this stage, the sculptures still had to be worked, refined and patiently polished to reveal all their remarkable beauty.

Creation of:

Medal of Achievement:



President's award:

