

In Photos: The Works of Sculptor Zurab Tsereteli

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Georgian-Russian sculptor Zurab Tsereteli, known for his monumental and often polarizing public works, died Monday at the age of 91, his assistant told state media. Born and raised in Tbilisi, Georgia, Tsereteli rose to prominence in the 1960s, designing resort complexes in Soviet Georgia. He later became chief artist for the Soviet Foreign Ministry and, from 1997 until his death, served as president of Russia's Academy of Arts. Among Tsereteli's best-known works is the reconstruction of Moscow's Cathedral of Christ the Savior in the 1990s, rebuilt after the original church was demolished under Stalin. He was also behind the towering Peter the Great monument on the Moscow River, the bronze statue of St. George atop Tbilisi's Freedom Monument and the fountains on Moscow's Manezhnaya Square. Over his lifetime, he produced more than 5,000 works, including paintings, graphic art, sculptures, monuments and pieces of decorative art. Tsereteli's sculptures are displayed in countries around the world, including Brazil, the U.K., Spain, Italy, the U.S., France and Japan. The Moscow Times takes a look at some of his most famous works:



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