

## Artist Resume

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- Falls Church Plein Air Festival. First Place. Curator: Lisa Kuhn, former Director of The Art Bank at US Dept.of State. 2017.
- [Art on the Avenue](#). Part of Annapolis Plein Air. Public Artist First Place. Jurors: Darin Gilliam of [Symmetry Agency](#), business owner Gavin Buckley, and Jim Cheevers, retired Senior Curator for the U.S. Naval Academy Museum. 2017.
- [Strokes of Genus National Painting Show](#). 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Juror: Joey P. Mánlapaz' Artist and Educator. 2016
- [Paint Berlin Plein Air](#). 1st place, Award Judge: [Abigail McBride](#), accomplished Plein Air Artist. 2016.
- Solomons Island Plein Air Festival Quickdraw Event. 2<sup>nd</sup> place, non-juried artists. Judge: Valerie Craig, plein air artist. 2016.
- Great Falls Plein Air. 3rd place. Award judge: Jill Banks, artist. 2016.
- [Washingtonia Collection](#). Plein Air piece selected for this collection by the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities. 2016
- Honorable Mention. [The Art League Open Show](#), Torpedo Factory, Alexandria, VA. Dec. 9 – Jan 4, 2016. Clint Mansell, Director of Principle Gallery.
- Virginia Center for the Creative Arts: Fellowship. 10 days at their location in Amherst, VA. April, 2015
- Award of Merit. Fred Rodgers Regional Art Exhibit, Latrobe Art Center, Latrobe, PA. 2014
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Hoyt Regional Exhibition. Hoyt Art Center, New Castle, PA. Juried by Louis Zona. 2014
- Selection for Southmoreland Area High School Gala. Southwestern Pennsylvania Council for the Arts 17th Annual Regional Juried Art Exhibition. 2014
- Selection for Latrobe Area High School Gala. Southwestern Pennsylvania Council for the Arts 7th Annual Regional Juried Art Exhibition. University Museum. Indiana University of Pennsylvania. 2002.
- Juror's Award. Washington & Jefferson College 25th National Painting Show. Washington, PA. Prize Juror Manon Cleary. 1993
- Honorable Mention. Monroeville Arts Festival. Allegheny County Community College. Plum, PA. 1994
- Second Place. North Hills Regional Show. North Hills Art Center. Pittsburgh, PA. Juried by James Sulkowski. 1993
- Honorable Mention. Healing Our World. Washington festival. Washington, PA. 1993
- Second Place. Northern Lights on Pittsburgh. North Hills Art Center. Pittsburgh, PA. Juror John Winberg. 1992
- Prize Award. Greensburg Art Club Juried Show. Style and Substance Gallery. Greensburg, PA. 1990
- Juror's Award. Greensburg Art Club Juried Show. Westmoreland Museum of Art. Greensburg, PA. 1985.

**SOLO EXHIBITIONS:**

- The Art League Gallery. Torpedo Factory. Alexandria, Virginia. June 2018
- Gallery on 43<sup>rd</sup> Street. Pittsburgh, PA 2015
- Westmoreland Museum of American Art. Greensburg, PA 2014
- Ann Miller Gallery. Wittenberg University. Springfield, OH. 2001
- Les Idees Art Gallery. Duquesne University. Pittsburgh, PA. 1997
- Waldemar A. Schmidt Art Gallery. Wartburg College. Waverly, Iowa. 1996
- Phillip Dressler Center for the Arts. Somerset, PA. 1996

**GROUP EXHIBITIONS:**

- *Panza Gallery Group Portrait Show*. Millvale, PA. 2014
- *6: from Pittsburgh*. Ann Miller Gallery. Wittenberg University, Springfield, OH. Group Show. 2006
- *Twelve-Minute Portraits*. Digging Pitt Gallery, Pittsburgh PA. Group Show. 2006
- *Recent Paintings by Ed Charney and Mike McSorley*. Two person show. Ligonier Library, Ligonier, PA. 1992

**JURIED PLEIN AIR EVENTS:**

- [Mountain Maryland 2017](#), Cumberland, Maryland. *Juror* Barbara Jaenicke.
- [Paint It! Ellicott City 2017](#), Ellicott City, Maryland. *Juror* Hai-Ou Hou.
- [Long Beach Island Plein Air Plus](#). Loveladies, New Jersey. *Juror* Stewart White. 2017
- *Paint Out Chadds Ford*. Chadds Ford Historical Society. Chadds Ford, PA 2017

### **PUBLIC PLEIN AIR EVENTS AND QUICKDRAWS:**

- Paint Annapolis. Participated in Quickdraw, Nocture, and Art on the Avenue. 2017
- Chestertown, Maryland. 2017
- Tarpon Springs, Florida, 2017
- Snow Hill, Maryland. 2017
- Ellicott City, Maryland. Public Artist and Quickdraw. 2016
- Frederick, Maryland. Quickdraw. 2016
- Easton, Maryland. Quickdraw. 2016
- Great Falls Plein Air Festival. 2016
- Solomon Islands, Maryland. Quickdraw and Sunset. 2016
- Paint Berlin, Berlin Maryland. 2016

### **NATIONAL EXHIBITIONS:**

- *Small Wonders*. National Show. Circle Gallery. Annapolis, MD. Amanda Burnham, Towson University Professor. 2016.
- *Strokes of Genius*. National Painting Show. Maryland Federation of Art. Juror Joey P. Mánlapaz, educator and lecturer. 2016.
- *Art as Politics*. Touchstone Gallery, Washington, DC. Juror: Jayme McLellan, director and founder of Civilian Art Projects in Washington DC. 2016.
- *79th National Midyear Exhibition*. Butler Institute of American Art. Youngstown, OH. Annual National Juried Show. Juried by Artist, Curator and Writer Robert Godfrey. 2015.
- *71st National Midyear Exhibition*. Butler Institute of American Art. Youngstown, OH. Annual National Juried Show. Juried by New York Gallery owner and Art Historian Larry Salander. 2007.
- *Washington & Jefferson College 28th National Painting Show*. Washington, PA. Juried by Barry Shields. 1996.
- *National Landscape Exhibition*. The Arts Studio. Longmont, CO. Juried Show. 1995.
- *Westmoreland Art Nationals*. Westmoreland County Community College. Youngwood, PA. 1995.
- *Westmoreland Art Nationals*. Greensburg Arts and Heritage Festival. Greensburg, PA. Separate Juror. 1995.
- *58th National Midyear Exhibition*. Butler Institute of American Art. Youngstown, OH. Annual National Juried Show. Juried by Robert Stackhouse. 1994.
- *Washington & Jefferson College 26th National Painting Show*. Washington, PA. Juried Show. 1994.
- *Westmoreland Art Nationals*. Westmoreland County Community College. Youngwood, PA. 1994.
- *Washington & Jefferson 25th National Painting Show*. Washington, PA. Jurors: George Danhires, Paul Edwards. 1993.
- *Westmoreland Art Nationals*. Westmoreland Community College. Youngwood, PA. Jurors: Barbara Hershey & Jack Sal. 1993.
- *Westmoreland Art Nationals*. Greensburg Arts and Heritage Festival. Greensburg, PA. separate Jurors. 1993

### **SPECIAL PROJECTS:**

\*Selected for: [Verse Envisioned: Poems from the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette and the works of art they have inspired](#). "Contemporary writers and artists from Pittsburgh form an exhibition featuring 31 of the best poems from the past 20 years and artwork produced by our chosen artists". Exhibit January 16-February 27, 2016. Panza Gallery, Pittsburgh, PA. Book published, 2016.

\*[Possessions. Oil on Panels. Approximately 28" x 25" x 5"](#). Westmoreland Museum of American Art. Oct. 2014 to July, 2015. Still Life based on a *The Peddler* by Malcolm Parcell. "The idea for the 'exhibition' is to place still life paintings by contemporary artists on the gallery wall alongside portraits from our collection. I am hoping that most of the artists I contact might already have a still life that would in some way reflect the person in one of the portraits... and I would ask each artist to explain why/how the still life reflects the person. This is all part of an ongoing series of educational programming." – Joan McGarry

### **EDUCATION:**

**Indiana University of Pennsylvania.** 1979. B.S. in Fine Art. Concentration in Painting.

**Seton Hill College.** 1985. "Advanced Painting." Ray DeFazio. Greensburg, Pa.

#### **WORKSHOPS ATTENDED:**

**Jon Redmond.** "Painting Workshop" Wayne Art Center, Wayne, PA. 2017.

**Mark Boedges.** "Landscape Workshop" Wayne Art Center, Wayne, PA. 2016.

**Burton Silverman.** "Portraits and Patterns." Art Student League, New York, NY. 2009.

**William Beckman.** "Figure Drawing Workshop." Huntington Museum of Art, Huntington, WV. 1996.

**Janet Fish.** "Painting Workshop." Huntington Museum of Art, Huntington, WV. 1995.

**Wolf Kahn.** "Landscape Workshop." Huntington Museum of Art, Huntington, WV. 1994.

**James Adams.** Portrait Painting. **James Sulkowski.** "Portrait Painting." "Figure Painting." "Still Life." "Landscape."

### SELECTED JURIED REGIONAL EXHIBITIONS:

#### **2017**

- \* For the Record exhibition 2017, Historical Society of Washington, D.C. Jurors: (Curators from local institutions).
- \* *Still and Life*. Chrystal Moll Gallery, Baltimore, MD.. Juror: Chrystal Moll, Artist.
- \* *Gallery B Show of Maryland Federation for the Arts*. Gallery B, Bethesda, MD.
- \* *Falls Church Art League Juried Show*. Falls Church, VA,
- \* *Vessels*. Capitol Hill Art League. Washington, DC.
- \* *Capitol Hill Arts League at Hill Center*. Washington, DC.

#### **2016**

- \* *Cityscapes*. Peale Museum, Baltimore, MD.. Juror: Bryan Mark Taylor, Artist.
- \* *Home, Again*. Montpelier Art Center, MD.. Juror: Sarah Tanguy, Independent curator.
- \* *Landshap*. The Art League Gallery, Torpedo Factory, Alexandria, VA. Juror: Nora Sturges, Professor of Art at Towson University
- \* *Hot, Hot*. Foundry Gallery, 2118 –8<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Washington, DC 20001.
- \* *June-Open*. The Art League Gallery, Torpedo Factory, Alexandria, VA. Juror: Jeff Huntington.
- \* *May-Open*. The Art League Gallery, Torpedo Factory, Alexandria, VA. Juror: Lisa Golightly, Artist.
- \* *Muted*. The Art League Gallery, Torpedo Factory, Alexandria, VA. Juror: Allison Nance, director of Hillyer Art Space. Jan 5-31 **2015**

#### **2015**

- \* *December-Open*. The Art League Gallery, Torpedo Factory, Alexandria, VA. Juror: Clint Mansell, Director of Principle Gallery
- \* *Bloomingdale Civic Association*. The Firehouse. Washington, DC
- \* *September- Open*. The Art League Gallery, Torpedo Factory, Alexandria, VA. Juror: Erin Devine, artist, curator and critic; Assistant Professor and Gallery Coordinator at Northern Virginia Community College

#### **2014**

- \* *Associated Artists of Pittsburgh* show at Most Wanted Fine Art, Waterfront, Pittsburgh, PA.

### DEMONSTRATIONS:

- \* Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio. Demonstrated Portrait Painting and held workshop for painting students. 2005.
- \* Wittenberg College. Springfield, Ohio. Portrait Painting Demonstration. 2001.
- \* Westinghouse School, East Allegheny School District. Wilmerding, Pa. Workshop for Gifted Elementary Students. 2001

### PRESS MENTIONS:

- [PleinAir Today, the weekly newsletter for PleinAir magazine](#). Bob Bahr, October 4, 2016.
- [Verse Envisioned: Poems from the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette and the works of art they have inspired](#). February 17, 2016.
- [Verse Envisioned: Book](#). Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, 2016.
- [Pittsburgh Outdoor Painters at Schenley Park](#). Pittsburgh Post-Gazette April 2, 2012.
- [Three Rivers Arts Festival Juried Exhibition](#). 2011.
- [Digging Pitt Gallery Show "12 Minute Portraits"](#). 2006.
- Phil Wilson Photo "[Mike McSorley Painting at Bushy Run Battlefield](#)" *Tribune-Review*. May 5, 2001. S-O Section, Page 5. Volume 113 No.91.
- Donald Miller. "Midyear Delight" *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*. July 1, 1994. Page 27.
- "Good Morning Washington". *Observer-Reporter*. April 4, 1993.
- Bob Drylie. "[Nuages: Art from Plain Air](#)" *Pittsburgh City Paper*. March 25, 1992. Volume 2, Issue 13.
- Linda Antoniak "[Road sign Painter](#)". *Standard Observer Newspaper*. April 6, 1992. Volume 8 Number 7