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### SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

- *The Art League, Alexandria, VA. June, 2023.*
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- *The Arts Club of Washington. May, 2022*
  - *National Institute of Health: July 17 to Sept. 11, 2020*
  - Hill Center, Washington, DC. May 2 – June 23, 2019
  - 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

### AWARDS and HONORS:

- FY22 Arts and Humanities Fellowship Program Grant. DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities. 2022.
- FY21 Arts and Humanities Fellowship Program Grant. DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities. 2021.
- [FY20 Arts and Humanities Fellowship Program Grant](#). DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities. 2020.
- Selected as a Torpedo Factory Art Center Eligible Artist. Sept. 2019 to Sept. 2020.
- Falls Church Plein Air Festival. First Place. Curator: Lisa Kuhn, former Director of The Art Bank at US Dept. of State. 2017.
- [Paint Berlin Plein Air](#). 1st place, Award Judge: [Abigail McBride](#), accomplished Plein Air Artist. 2016.
- [Strokes of Genus National Painting Show](#). 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Juror: Joey P. Mánlapaz' Artist and Educator. 2016
- Virginia Center for the Creative Arts: Fellowship. 10 days at their location in Amherst, VA. April, 2015
- Open Exhibit. The Art League, Honorable Mention. Juror Gage Branda. 2022
- [Landscape Exhibit](#), Maryland Federation of Art, Jurors Choice Award. Juror: Lillian Bayley Hoover. Aug 13-Sept 12, 2020.
- Lowe House. Maryland Federation of Art. Second Place. Juror: Sara Allen Prigodich. Jan 9-April 13, 2020.
- First Place. Capitol Hill Art League Member Show. Juror Phil Davis. 2019
- [Kensington Award](#), Falls Church, Juror Glen Kessler, June 2019.
- Color Columbia. Honorable Mention. Juror Crystal Moll. 2018
- [Landscape Exhibit, The Art League](#), Honorable Mention. Juror Timothy Clark. 2018
- Color Columbia. 3<sup>rd</sup> Place. 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.
- Hill Center Capitol Hill Arts League Show. Best of Show (1 of 6). 2017.
- 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. 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Award judge: Jill Banks, artist. 2016.
- [Washingtonia Collection](#). Piece selected for this collection by the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities. 2016
- Honorable Mention. [The Art League Open Show](#), Alexandria, VA. Dec. 9–Jan 4, 2016. Clint Mansell, Dir. of Principle Gallery.
- 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 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

## **NATIONAL EXHIBITIONS:**

- Strokes of Genius. 2020. National Painting Show. Maryland Federation of Art. *Juror:* Mark Karnes, Oct 30-Nov 25, 2020.
- [Landscape Exhibit](#), Maryland Federation of Art,. *Juror:* Lillian Bayley Hoover. Aug 13-Sept 12, 2020.
- [Long Beach Island Plein Air Plus](#). Loveladies, New Jersey. *Juror* Valerie Craig. 2018
- [Paint It! Ellicott City 2018](#), Ellicott City, Maryland. *Juror* Bennett Vadnais.
- Mountain Maryland 2018, Cumberland, MD. *Juror* Vlad Yeliseyev.
- [Mountain Maryland 2017](#). Cumberland, Maryland. *Juror* Barbara Jaenicke.
- [Plein Air Brandywine Valley 2017](#). Wilmington, DE. Oct 15-22.
- *Strokes of Genius* 2017. National Painting Show. Maryland Federation of Art. *Juror* Susan Behrends Frank, Curator.
- [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
- *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 College 25th National Painting Show*. Washington, PA. Juried by George Danhires and Paul Edwards. 1993.
- *Westmoreland Art Nationals*. Westmoreland County Community College. Youngwood, PA. Juried by Barbara Hershey and Jack Sal. 1993.
- *Westmoreland Art Nationals*. Greensburg Arts and Heritage Festival. Greensburg, PA. Juried by George Danhires and Paul Edwards. 1993.

## **PRESS MENTIONS and VIDEO:**

[Wil Talk with Artists #4](#). Mike McSorley, oil painted of the mundane and beautiful. June 18, 2020.

[Hill Rag](#). *Artist Profile: Mike McSorley*, Jim Magner, June 7, 2019.

[Howard County Times](#). Artists go on location in Columbia. Mike Giuliano, Sept. 7, 2018.

[Thoughtfull Thursdays: Tips And Tricks](#). Kristina Dover, Wordpress May 17, 2018.

[PleinAir Today, the weekly enewsletter 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, Pg 5. Vol 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

## COMMISSIONS:

*"Painting for Sarah"*. Oil on Panel. 10 x 10 inches. Commissioned for Sarah Hall. Hagerstown, MD. Commissioned Painting. 2020  
*"Long Beach Island"*. Oil on Panel. 16 x 20 inches. Dan and Sharon Cameron. Camden, NJ. Commissioned Painting. 2017  
*"149 D ST SE"*. Oil on Panel. 16 x 20 inches. James Therry. Washington, DC. Commissioned House Painting. 2016  
*"Amanda and Josie"*. Oil on Panel. 16 x 20 inches. Eric Gillen. Pittsburgh, PA. Commissioned Portrait. 2015  
*"Ann and Terri"*. Oil on Canvas. 16 x 20 inches. Ann Murray, Pittsburgh, PA. Commissioned Portrait. 2012  
*"Backyard Garden"*. Oil on Canvas. 32 x 48 inches. Byron Bigelow. North Huntingdon, PA. 2002  
*"Father's Vision"*. Oil on Canvas. 16 x 20 inches. Diane Bruno. Monroeville, PA. 2002  
*"Kerber Farm"*. Oil on Canvas. 22 x 38 inches. Marty Lyons, North Huntingdon, PA. 1999  
*"Mural of Sky"*. Commercial paint on Board. 15 x 30 feet. Dick Nimitz residence, Murrysville, PA. 1997  
*"Wedding Portrait"*. Oil on Canvas. 16 x 20 inches. Constance Lowery, Pittsburgh, PA. 1995  
*"Football Players"*. Oil on Canvas. 28 x 48 inches. Bob Malone, Pittsburgh, PA. 1992  
*"Fishing Lake"*. Oil on Canvas. 24" x 28" James Huffmeyer, Pittsburgh, PA. 1985

## 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

## GALLERIES:

Gallery 75, The Art League, Torpedeo Factory, Alexandria, VA.

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

- *Brentwood Art Exchange. Everyday: Finding Meaning in the Ordinary.* Jan 25-April 17, 2021
- *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
- *Life Study Exhibition.* The Birmingham Loft Gallery. Pittsburgh, PA. Group Show. 1991

## EDUCATION:

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

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

### WORKSHOPS/CLASSES ATTENDED:

**Color Theory.** Smithsonian Associates Spring 2019. Instructor Daniel Reismeyer.

**Jon Redmond.** "Painting Workshop" Burnt Island Light, Boothbay Harbor, ME. 2018.

**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."

**Gene Gittings.** "Figure Sculpture." "Portrait Sculpture."

**Herb Olds.** "Figure Drawing Workshop."