

Biography: Michael McDowell

Michael McDowell is a Fine Arts Painter with Bachelor's & Master's Degrees from the San Francisco Art Institute where he completed his studies in 1991. Since then he has spent much of his time in the pursuit of developing a personal style of painting and establishing representation at various galleries. Michael believes that making Art is an experience that provides an individual with personal growth and insights into the nature of being human. This part of the process of creation is as important to him as the "finished product," and he encourages others to gain an understanding of this concept.

As an artist and instructor of both studio and lecture courses Michael realizes that he plays a vital role in helping students to understand the various attributes and experiences that Art can provide individuals and, by extension, their community. It is his belief that Art enriches and enhances existence and, he is, therefore, a strong advocate for these pursuits.

Curriculum Vitae

Education:

MFA, San Francisco Art Institute, 1991

BFA, San Francisco Art Institute, 1988

Exhibitions:

- 2020 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA "New Work" (Scheduled one-person show)
- 2019 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA (Group show)
- 2018 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA "Red" (Group show)
- 2018 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA "Rumination or Ruination" (One-person show)
- 2017 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA "Affordable Art Bazaar" (Group show)
- 2017 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA "These Elegies" (One-person show)
- 2016 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA "Returning Members" (4-person group show)
- 2012 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA (Group show)
- 2012 Fresno Art Museum, 50th Anniversary Exhibition of Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA
- 2011 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA (Group show)
- 2010 "Breaking Traditions" Gorgon Isle Gallery, Fresno, CA (Group show)
- 2010 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno CA (Group show)
- 2009 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA (Group show)
- 2008 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA (Group show)
- 2007 Fresno City Hall, Fresno, CA (Group show)
- 2007 Remember the Time, Studio 1922, Fresno, CA (Group show)
- 2007 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA (Group show)
- 2006 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA "Recent Paintings" (One-person show)
- 2005 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA "Drawing Matters" (Group show)
- 2005 Fig Tree Gallery, Fresno, CA (Group show)
- 2005 Bucheon Gallery, San Francisco, CA (One-person show)

2005 San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Artists' Gallery, SF, CA
2004 Bucheon Gallery, San Francisco, CA (One-person show)
2003 "Inventive Landscapes" Bucheon Gallery, SF, CA (Group show)
2002 Bucheon Gallery, SF, CA (One-person show)
2002 San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Artists' Gallery, SF, CA
2001 Artworks, Hanford, CA
2001 San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Artists' Gallery, SF, CA
2000 Lead Gallery, Seattle, Washington
2000 San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Artists' Gallery, SF, CA
1999 Bucheon Gallery, San Francisco, CA (One-person show)
1999 San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Rental Gallery, SF, CA
1998 "Insomnia" Bucheon Gallery, SF, CA (Group show)
1998 Art Exchange Exhibition via Bucheon Gallery, New York, NY
1998 "New Year, New Space", Bucheon Gallery, SF, CA (Group show)
1998 SFMMA Artist's Gallery, SF, CA
1998 Point Reyes Oyster Company, Point Reyes Station, CA
1997 "Over The Line", Bucheon Gallery, SF, CA (Group show)
1997 San Francisco Art Institute Auction, SF, CA
1997 "Recent Paintings", Bucheon Gallery, SF, CA (One-person show)
1996 "It's For The Birds", Bucheon Gallery, SF, CA
1996 SFMMA Artist's Gallery, SF, CA
1996 SFAI Anniversary, Terrain Gallery, SF, CA
1996 SFAI Anniversary, SFMMA Rental Gallery, SF, CA
1995 Bucheon Gallery, SF, CA "Recent Works" (One-person show)
1995 "Collective", Point Reyes Bank, Point Reyes Station, CA
1995 SFAI Auction, SF, CA
1994 "Too Beautiful For Words", Bucheon Gallery, SF, CA

Selected Collectors:

Rene di Rosa, Napa, CA
Ron Fahra, Montreal, Canada
Gardiner Hempel, Oakland, CA
Dr & Mrs Irene Belknap, Mill Valley
Dr David Lyman, Albany, CA
Sidney Brown, SF, CA
Dr Phillip Grossi, Los Altos, CA
Sheila Cohen, SF, CA
Pat Klein, Emeryville, CA
Dr. Louis Girling, SF, CA
Lauren Kerr, SF, CA
Dawn Christensen, SF, CA

Sheila Woo, SF, CA
Pat & Dick Macias, SF, CA
Pegan Brooke, Bolinas, CA
Julie Green , SF, CA
Walter Dawydrak, SF, CA
Carol Esterman, Providence, RI
Blair Fuller, Tomales, CA
Heidi Stevens, Petaluma, CA
Joan & Peter Wulf, SF, CA
Victoria Wagner, Occidental, CA

Teaching Experience:

1998 to present: West Hills College, Lemoore, CA
2005: Reedley College, Reedley, CA
2005: Chapman University, Visalia, CA
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2001: College of the Sequoias, Visalia, CA
2000: Chapman University, Visalia, CA
2000: West Hills College, Coalinga, CA
2000: California State Prisons, Various Facilities in CA
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