



Mary Whyte, American Watercolor Artist

“Everything an artist creates is done in a solitary way except when painting another human being. Then there are two people involved. One who changes the model forever, and one who forever changes the artist.”
- Whyte

EDUCATION Born in Cleveland, Ohio in 1953, Mary Whyte graduated, cum laude, from Tyler School of Art in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1976 with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree and teaching certification.

COLLECTIONS (Partial List)

The Johnson Collection, Spartanburg, South Carolina
Gibbes Museum of Art, Charleston, South Carolina
Greenville County Museum of Art, Greenville, South Carolina
Mazza Museum of International Art from Picture Books, The University of Findlay, Findlay, Ohio
Bell Atlantic, Arlington, Virginia
The Easter Seals Society, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Heritage Beverage Company, Mentor, Ohio
The Penn Club in New York
The Philadelphia Zoo, Pennsylvania
TD Bank, Greenville, South Carolina
Genesee Bank, Flint, Michigan
Banco di Roma, Rome, Italy
West Chester University, Pennsylvania
Gwynedd Mercy University, Gwynedd Valley, Pennsylvania
The University of Pennsylvania
The Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, South Carolina
Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
The City of Charleston, Charleston, South Carolina
The Church of Our Saviour, Johns Island, South Carolina
Charleston International Airport, Charleston South Carolina
Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center, Omaha, Nebraska



AWARDS & HONORS

2019: February 21, House Resolution from the South Carolina House of Representatives honoring Mary Whyte and her national exhibition *WE THE PEOPLE: Portraits of Veterans in America*
2019: November, Carolinas Freedom Foundation Freedom Award
WE THE PEOPLE: Portraits of Veterans in America Exhibition
2016: Portrait Society of America Gold Medal Award, 2016
2015: Beauty in Culture Award, Au Coeur Academy
2014: Elected to the Advisory Board, Portrait Society of America
2013: Elizabeth O'Neill Verner Award, SC Arts Commission
2006: Honorary Lifetime Member, Charleston Artist Guild, SC
2004: Women of Distinction, South Carolina Girl Scouts
2003: Lifetime Achievement Award, Philadelphia Watercolor Society
2001: Women of Achievement, Post & Courier, and Charleston, SC

MAJOR EXHIBITS Solo Museum Exhibitions: (Partial listing)

October 25, 2019 – *WE THE PEOPLE: Portraits of Veterans in America*
Traveling nation-wide, 2020-2024
May 20, 2017 – November 20, 2017: *Portraits of Life: The Art of Mary Whyte*, Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center, Omaha Nebraska
October 16, 2015 – January 3, 2016: *Mary Whyte: A Portrait of Us*,
Mennello Museum of American Art, Orlando Florida
November 7 – 17, 2013: National Arts Club, New York, New York
September 8 – November 24, 2013: *More Than a Likeness*, The Butler
Institute of American Art, Youngstown, Ohio
April 6, 2013 – July 7, 2013: *Working South*, Peninsula Fine Arts Center,
Newport News, Virginia
October 5, 2012 – February 24, 2013: *Working South*, Telfair Museum of
Art, Savannah, Georgia
May 4, 2012 – September 9, 2012: *Working South*, Gibbes Museum of
Art, Charleston, South Carolina
December 2, 2011 – March 10, 2012: *Working South*, Morris Museum of
Art, Augusta, Georgia
March 9 – September 18, 2011: *Working South*, Greenville County
Museum of Art, Greenville, South Carolina
2003 - Greenville County Museum of Art, Greenville, South Carolina
2003 - Hickory Museum of Art, Hickory, North Carolina



Spartanburg County Museum of Art, South Carolina
South Carolina State Museum, South Carolina

Group Museum Exhibitions:

- “Pursuits on Paper” The Johnson Collection
TJC Gallery, Spartanburg, SC
July 29 – October 2, 2020
- “Grand Strand Collects”
The Franklin G. Burroughs-Simeon B. Chapin
Art Museum in Myrtle Beach
September 28 – December 14, 2017
- “Artists Painting Artists”
The Gibbes Museum of Art, Charleston SC
May 5 – September 10, 2017
- “Today’s Portraits: Emerging Artists and Leading Masters”
Salmagundi Art Club, New York, New York
November 12 – 20, 2014
- “Grand Opening Exhibition”
Florence County Museum, Florence, SC
October 2014
- “World Watermedia Exposition of Thailand”
Ratchadamnoen Contemporary Art Center, Bangkok, Thailand
June 11 – July 20, 2014
- “China and Foreign Countries Watercolor Summit Forum”
Nanning Art Museum, Nanning, Guangxi, China
October 20 – 28, 2013
- “People’s Choice-A Community Curated Exhibition”
The Gibbes Museum of Art, Charleston, SC
May 15 – September 15, 2013
Shanghai International Watercolour Biennial Exhibition,
Shanghai Quanhua Watercolour Art Gallery
October – November 2012
- “Breaking Down Barriers: 300 Years of Women in Art”
The Gibbes Museum of Art, Charleston, SC
October 28, 2011 – January 8, 2012
- “Inspiring Figures” – The Butler Institute of American Art
Youngstown, Ohio
September 12 – October 31, 2010



“Face Lift” – The Gibbes Museum of Art, Charleston, South Carolina
September 3 – December 5, 2010

“Masters of Watercolor: Andrew Wyeth and His Contemporaries”
Greenville County Museum of Art, Greenville, South Carolina
April 2 – September 28, 2008

“Carolina Collects” – Columbia Museum of Art, Columbia, South
Carolina
June 27– August 17, 2008

“Salon d’Arts” Invitational Exhibition
Colorado History Museum, Denver, Colorado
June 10 – June 29, 2006

“Sea to Shining Sea: A Reflection of America”
2004-2007- Haggin Museum of Art, CA, George Bush Presidential
Library, TX-, Museum of Texas Tech University, TX, Owensboro
Museum of Fine Art, KY, Museum of the Southwest, TX,
Michelson Museum of Art, TX, Huntsville Museum of Art, AL,
City of Portsmouth, Portsmouth Museums, Courthouse Gallery,
VA, Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum, WI, Cape Museum of
Fine Arts, MA, Bergstrom-Mahler Museum, WI.

“Stockton on Canvas: Contemporary Artists Paint the Town”
2006- Haggin Museum of Art, Stockton, CA

“Laguna Beach Plein Air Painter’s Association”
2006- Laguna Beach Museum of Art, CA

American Miniatures Exhibit
Settlers West, Tucson, AZ

Temple, University, Philadelphia, PA
Philadelphia Art Show, Featured Poster Artist
1984, Philadelphia, PA

Adirondacks National Exhibition of American Watercolors, NY
Pennsylvania Watercolor Society
South Carolina Watercolor Society
California Watercolor Society



AUTHORED

WE THE PEOPLE: Portraits of Veterans in America; publisher: University of South Carolina Press, 2019

Down Bohicket Road; publisher: University of South Carolina Press, November, 2012, Gold Medal Winner, Non-Fiction Category, Independent Publisher Book Award, 2014

Painting Portraits and Figures in Watercolor; publisher: Watson-Guption Publications, 2011

Working South; publisher: The University of South Carolina Press, 2011 Silver Medal Winner, ForeWord Review's 2011 Art Book of the Year

An Artist's Way of Seeing; publisher: Wyrick & Co., 2005

Alfreda's World; publisher: Wyrick & Co., 2003

Watercolor for the Serious Beginner; publisher: Watson-Guption Publications, 1997

FEATURED ARTICLES:

(Partial listing)

Current Articles: <https://www.marywhyte.com/news.php>

WE THE PEOPLE: Portraits of Veterans in America – Media:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/wmqtfnre8xltg1v/AA Bucq1tuTmQvkvMz2UZ5_93a?dl=0

“Painting Successful Backgrounds,” *Watercolor: American Artist*, December 1996.

“Figures and Portraits,” *Watercolor: American Artist*, September 1997.

“Heart and Soul,” *The Artist's Magazine*, May 2003.

“Background Music,” *American Artist*, April 2009.



CHILDREN'S BOOK

- ILLUSTRATIONS** *Chestnut*, author: Constance McGeorge, publisher: Peachtree Publishers, 2004
- A Box of Friends*, author: Pam Munoz Ryan, publisher: McGraw-Hill Publications, 2003
- P is for Palmetto*, author: Carol Crane, publisher: Sleeping Bear Press, 2002
- Mama's Way*, author: Helen Ketteman, publisher: Dial Books, 2001
- Boomer's Big Surprise*, author: Constance McGeorge, publisher: Chronicle Books, 1999
- Waltz of the Scarecrows*, author: Constance McGeorge, publisher: Chronicle Books, 1998
- The Tickle Stories*, author, Jean Van Leeuwen, publisher: Dial Books for Young Readers, 1998
- Boomer Goes to School*, author: Constance McGeorge, publisher: Chronicle Books, 1996
- I Love You the Purplest*, author: Barbara M. Joesse, publisher: Chronicle Books, 1996
- Snow Riders*, author: Constance McGeorge, publisher: Chronicle Books, 1995
- Boomer's Big Day*, author: Constance McGeorge, publisher: Chronicle Books, 1994
- The One and Only You*, author: Pam Munoz Ryan, publisher: NTS, Inc. Kanagawa, Japan 2000
- The Color of Sky*, author: Pam Munoz Ryan, publisher: NTS, Inc. Kanagawa, Japan

MARY WHYTE BIOGRAPHY

More Than a Likeness: The Enduring Art of Mary Whyte

The University of South Carolina Press published a 248-page biography including 200 illustrations released in September of 2013. The esteemed



author is Martha Severens, art historian and former curator of the Greenville County Museum of Art.

MARY WHYTE
ART EDUCATOR
AWARD

Established in 2007, the Mary Whyte Art Educator Award is designed to highlight a South Carolina Public School Visual Art Teacher who has demonstrated superior commitment to their students and to their craft. The award is accompanied by a prize of \$5,000 and is administered and presented annually by the South Carolina Art Education Association.
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