



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

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)

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:

“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

*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)

*American Artist* and  
*The Artist's Magazine*

"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. Joosse, 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: Pan 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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