



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

2020: The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution Medal of Honor
2020: The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution Women in the Arts Recognition Award
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: South Carolina Governor's Award for the Arts, 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)

November 29, 2021 – July 22, 2022: *WE THE PEOPLE: Portraits of Veterans in America*, National Museum of the Marine Corps, Triangle Virginia
June 27, 2021 – September 26, 2021: *WE THE PEOPLE: Portraits of Veterans in America*, Huntsville Museum of Art, Huntsville, Alabama
October 25, 2019 – December 22, 2019: *WE THE PEOPLE: Portraits of Veterans in America*, City Gallery, Charleston, South Carolina
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

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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-Guptill 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-Guptill Publications, 1997

FEATURED ARTICLES:

(Partial listing)

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

"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: 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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