



GIBSON FINE ART

Kentree Speirs

About the Artist/Statement:

Kentree and his family reside in Kaslo, British Columbia, Canada, and he is a full-time studio artist.

“I am interested in the event of painting. The informative process which unfolds as a painting evolves, is a constant curiosity. My intention is to let go of formulations and ideologies in order to gain access to work that is inspired by, and reflecting, the aliveness of nature. Properties of paint, color, mark making, and their relationships direct me in the process; each layer of additional color and shape brings new interactions. As these relationships expand, each painting develops in its own direction. I am awed by the raw beauty, the drama, and the silence of untamed places. Since I am an inseparable part of this British Columbia landscape, these majestic mountains are a vital part of my work.”

Biography:

EXHIBITIONS

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| 2021 | Ian Tan Gallery, Vancouver, Group
<i>Obsession of Art</i> , Bergen, Netherlands, Group
Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Group |
| 2020 | Ian Tan Gallery, Vancouver, Group
<i>Obsession of Art</i> , Bergen, Netherlands, Group
Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Group |
| 2019 | Ian Tan Gallery, Holiday Exhibition, Vancouver
Langham Gallery, Solon of the Arts, Kaslo, Group |
| 2018 | Ian Tan Gallery, Holiday Ground Showing, Vancouver
Gibson Fine Art, Winter Solon, Calgary
SAM Gallery Presents: Opening Reception for 45 th Anniversary Show, Seattle
Ian Tan Gallery, South Granville's 7 th Annual ArtWalk, Vancouver |
| 2017 | Ian Tan Gallery, Vancouver, Solo
Blackfish Gallery, Portland, Two-Person
Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Solo
Ian Tan Gallery, 6 th Annual South Granville ArtWalk, Vancouver
Gibson Fine Art, Winter Solon, Calgary
Ian Tan Gallery, Vancouver, Group
Ian Tan Projects, New Ivanhoe Cambridge Mills in Tsawwassen, Vancouver |

2016 Langham Gallery, Solon of the Arts, Kaslo, Group
 Langham Solo Exhibition, Kaslo
 Linda Hodges Gallery, Seattle, Two-Person
 Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Two-Person
 Ian Tan Gallery, 5th Annual South Granville ArtWalk, Vancouver
 Gibson Fine Art, Holiday Group Show, Calgary
 Gibson Fine Art, Rotating Summer Group Show, Calgary
 Ian Tan Gallery, Vancouver, Group
 Langham Gallery, North Kootenay Lake Arts & Heritage Council Annual Salon of
 the Arts, Kalso
 Gallery MAR, Gallery Members Exhibition, Park City, UT
 Ian Tan Gallery, Vancouver, Group
 Langham Gallery, Solon of the Arts, Kaslo, Group
 2015 Seattle Art Museum Gallery, Spiritual Nature Exhibition
 Ian Tan Gallery, South Granville Gallery Association's Holiday Show: *Deck the
 Walls*, Vancouver
 Gibson Fine Art, Three-Person Show, Calgary
 Gallery MAR, Gallery Members Exhibition, Park City, UT
 Ian Tan Gallery, Artists Group Show, Vancouver
 Langham Gallery, North Kootenay Lake Arts & Heritage Council Annual Salon of
 the Arts Exhibition, Kaslo
 2014 Gallery 378, Nelson, Two-Person
 Gallery 378, Selected Works, Nelson
 Seattle Art Museum Sales and Rental Gallery, Seattle
 2013 Gallery 378, Nelson, Two-Person
 Seattle Art Museum Sales and Rental Gallery, Seattle
 Gallery 378, Nelson
 2012 Seattle Art Museum Sales and Rental Gallery, Seattle
 2011 Blackfish Gallery, Departure Series, Portland, Solo
 Seattle Art Museum Sales and Rental Gallery, Seattle
 Bend River Fine Art, *Consciousness*, Bend, OR, Group
 Bend River Fine Art, Bend, OR, Group
 2010 River Bend Fine Art Gallery, Bend, OR, Solo
 Blackfish Gallery, Back Room/Front Window Exhibition, Portland, Solo
 Hanson Howard Gallery, Ashland, OR, Two-Person
 BICA Bend Independent Contemporary, Bend, OR, Solo
 Bend River Fine Art, Bend, OR, Group
 All Oregon Art Annual, Salem, OR
 Gallery 110, Group Exhibition, Seattle
 Blackfish Gallery, Group Drawing Show, Portland
 BICA Bend Independent Contemporary Art, Bend, OR
 2009 Black Butte Ranch, Sisters, OR, Solo
 Blackfish Gallery, Front Window Exhibition, Portland
 Blackfish Gallery, Back Room Solo Exhibition, Portland

Blackfish Gallery, Backroom Group Show, Small Works, Portland
 Seattle Art Museum Sales and Rental Gallery, Seattle
 Autzen Gallery, PSU Alumni Exhibition, Juried, Portland
 BICA Bend Independent Contemporary Art, Featured Artist, Bend, OR
 BICA Bend Independent Contemporary Art, Bend, OR
 BICA Bend Independent Contemporary Art, Bend, OR
 Blackfish Gallery, 30th Anniversary Members Show, Portland, Group
 Blackfish Gallery, Portland, Group
 Blackfish Gallery, Portland, Two-Person
 2008 Blackfish Gallery, Borderline Series, Portland, Two-Person
 The Art Center, 6th Around Oregon Annual, Juried, Corvallis, OR
 Blackfish Gallery, Backroom Group Show, Portland
 Lewis & Clark College, Gender Symposium, Portland, Group
Keep Portland Weird, Portland's City Hall, Juried, Portland
 Mt Hood Community College, Digital Dimensions, Visual Arts, Portland
 Blackfish Gallery, Window Installation, Portland
 Carnegie Art Center, Pacific Pacifists Show, Walla Walla, WA
 Healthy Living Exhibition, Portland's City Hall, Portland
 Portland Center for the Performing Arts, Invitational Group Show, Portland
 Blackfish Gallery, Front Room Three-Person Show, Portland
 2007 Blackfish Gallery, New Members Three-Person Exhibition, Looking Closer Series,
 Portland
 Retail Therapy Gallery, Portrait Series, Seattle, Solo
 Affinity Gallery, 2006 Series, Portland, Solo
 Blackfish Gallery, Blackfish Gallery Members Group Show, Portland
 Portland Center for the Performing Arts, Invitational Group Show, Portland
 Portland Art Center, Portland, Group
 Multicultural Symposium, Lewis & Clark College, Portland, Group
 ArtCentric, 5th Around Oregon Annual, Juried, Corvallis
 Newport Visual Art Center, Pacific Pacifist Group Show, Newport
 Blackfish Gallery, Members Backroom Exhibit, Portland
 Blackfish Gallery, Pacific Pacifist, Portland
 The Grey Area Gallery, Modern Myths Exhibition, San Francisco
 MJ Higgins Gallery, Modern Myths Exhibition, Los Angeles
 2006 Portland State University, 2006 Series, Food for Thought Gallery, Portland, Solo
 Utrecht, Portland, Solo
 Poster Garden Gallery, Portland, Solo
 Autzen Gallery: Word and Hand Exhibition of Art and Poetry, Portland State
 University, Portland
 2005 M K Gallery, Portland State University, Portland
Air, Food for Thought Gallery, Selected Group Exhibition, Portland State
 University, Portland
 2004 National College of Natural Medicine, Portland, Solo
 M K Gallery, Portland State University, Portland

1997 Island Contemporary Gallery, New Watercolors, Kauai, Solo
1993 Pen and Ink Drawings, Universe Gallery, Taos, NM, Solo
1986 Blue Mouse Gallery, SLC, Utah, Solo
University of Utah, Gittins Gallery, SLC UT
Finch Lane Gallery, SLC, UT
1984 Utah State University, Logan, UT

COLLECTIONS

Dr Scott Pentecost, *We Walk Through Fire*, Nelson BC
Francesco Aquilini Collection, *Over the Top, and As Morning Comes*, Vancouver
The Glencoe Club, *Changing Directions*, Calgary
Cultural Developments Award, City of Nelson Mayor's Office, *What Kind of World Have We Made*
KNC Inc., Toronto
ZAP Welding, Nelson
Pembina, Commission, Calgary
NAI Norris, Beggs & Simpson (360 Bond LLC), *Going, Going, Going, GONE*, Bend, OR
Pembina, *Meadow Lark*, Calgary
City of Seattle, Painting Purchase Award, Seattle
Oregon State University, College of Agricultural Sciences, F.E. Clark Northwest Environmental and Margaret Hogg Memorial, Art About Agricultural Purchase Awards, Corvallis
Copacino and Fujikado Advertising Agency, *Ascending*, Seattle
NAI Norris, Beggs & Simpson (360 Bond LLC), *Through the Sky*, Bend, OR
City of Portland
Clouds Hill Farm, Botanical Illustrations, Portland
National College of Natural Medicine, NCNM, Mural: *Shamanism*, Portland
Native American Youth Association (NAYA), Public Art Works, Portland

MEDIA COVERAGE

CKCA Funding Brochure for 2019-20, Painting Selected: *Memory of the Fall True Blue, Behind the Brushstrokes: An interview with Artist Kentree Speirs*
Preview Magazine (the NW Gallery Guide), 2018
PADA, 2017
Blackfish Gallery, 2017
Galleries West Magazine, 2017
ARTiculate Magazine
Interview by Galadriel Watson on paintings entitled: *Disappearance*, 2016
<http://www.wkartscouncil.com/articulate/Articulate%20Fall%202016%20web.pdf>
Portland Talen Magazine, 2011
PADA
Blackfish Gallery, 2011
Oregonian, Arts and Entertainment, Bob Hicks, Visual Arts Reviews, 2011
http://www.oregonlive.com/art/index.ssf/2011/04/kentree_speirs_eirik_johnson_a.html
Natural Remedies for Bites and Stings, By Peter Bigfoot, Illustrated by Kentree Speirs, 2010

GO Magazine, Bend Oregon, 2010
Nugget News, By Oenta Gentry, Arts and Entertainment, 2009
Black Butte Ranch, 2009
Gallery at the Lodge Black Butte Ranch
Oregonian, D K Row, Visual Arts Reviews, 2009
Bug Toast CD Cover Art, Intersect, 2008
Slurve Magazine, 2007
Catalist Magazine, Cover Art, 1986
Wasatch Climbs, by Les Ellison and Brian Smoot, Illustrated by Kentree Speirs, 1983
Timberline Sports, Cover, SLC, UT, 1982

AWARDS

Nominated Artist for the 29th Annual Art Agriculture (Ways Into The Region), Oregon State University, La Sals Stewart Centre, Corvallis, OR
Nominated Artist for the 29th Annual Art Agriculture (Ways Into The Region), Rogue Gallery and Cultural Development Award, City of Nelson Mayor's Office, *What Kind of World Have We Made*, 2017
Project Grant, North Kootenay Lake Arts and Heritage Council & Columbia Basin Trust, 2016
Artist Residence, Langham Cultural Center, Kaslo, 2016
Purchase Award, Arete, Oregon State University, College of Agricultural Sciences, F.E. Clark Northwest Environmental, Margaret Hogg Memorial, and Larry Curtis Family, Corvallis, 2011
STUDIO VISIT PUBLICATION, Spring Edition, Volume 13, 2011
STUDIO VISIT PUBLICATION, Summer Edition, Volume 12, 2010
STUDIO VISIT PUBLICATION, Spring Edition

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