

FROELICK GALLERY

Benny Fountain

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Education

- 2008 MFA in Painting, Tyler School of Art, Elkins Park, PA, and Rome, Italy
2005 BFA in Painting, Pacific NW College of Art, Portland, OR

Solo Exhibitions

- 2025 *Consolation: Paintings from the Hill*, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
2022 *Landscapes: Palouse and Provence*, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
2021 *Rest*, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
2019 *windowroom*, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
2017 *while the whole moves; and every part stands still*, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
2015 *The Form of Affection*, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
2014 *The Piero Project: In-person Meditation in Color and Composition*, Gallery of Art, Temple University Rome, Rome, Italy
2013 *Common*, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
2012 *Kitchen Paintings*, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
2008 *Situations*, Solo MFA Thesis Exhibition, Gallery of Art, Temple University Rome, Rome, Italy

Group Exhibitions

- 2025 *GUUAC Regional Faculty Invitational*, Gonzaga University Urban Art Center, Spokane, WA
Winter Group Exhibit, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
2024 *Whitworth University Faculty Biennial*, Lied Center for the Arts, Spokane, WA
2023 *Paint - A Celebration of the Practice of Painting*, Brownstone Gallery, Modbury, England
2022 *Royal Scottish Academy 196th Annual Open Exhibition*,
Royal Scottish Academy of Art and Architecture, Edinburgh, Scotland
2021 *Quiet Edge*, Redux Contemporary Art Center, Charleston, SC
New Works, Gallery of Art, Temple University Rome, Rome, Italy
2020 *"2008/2020,"* Gallery of Art, Temple University Rome, Rome, Italy
2019 *Emergence: Art and the Incarnation of Space*, Martin Museum of Art, Baylor University, Waco, TX
2018 *At the Table: Kitchen as Home*, Sun Valley Center for the Arts, Sun Valley, ID
Black and White, Site:Brooklyn Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
9th Annual Drawing Discourse, S. Tucker Cooke Gallery, University of North Carolina Asheville, Asheville, NC
Color – National, Brooklyn Waterfront Artist Coalition, Brooklyn, NY
20th Annual 2018 Works on Paper, Long Beach Island Foundation of the Arts and Sciences, Loveladies, NJ
24th Annual Texas National, Stephen F. Austin Art Galleries, Nacogdoches, TX
39th Annual Art on Paper, Maryland Federation of Art, Annapolis, MD
Third Annual Conroe Art League National Invitational Show, Conroe Art League, Conroe, TX
2017 *18th Annual Will's Creek Exhibition: Sentient Being/Being Sentient*, Allegany Arts Council, Cumberland, MD
Black & White, Brooklyn Waterfront Artists Coalition, Brooklyn, NY
2017 Juried Show – Blue Mountain Gallery, Blue Mountain Gallery, New York, NY
2016 *2016 International Juried Exhibition*, The Center for Contemporary Art, Bedminster, NJ
DRAWN 3rd International Exhibition of Drawing, Manifest Creative Research Gallery and Drawing Center, Cincinnati, OH
Color: Brooklyn Waterfronts Coalition National Art Show, Brooklyn Waterfronts Artist Coalition, Brooklyn, NY
Washington Art Association Summer Juried Exhibition, Washington Art Association, Washington Depot, CT
Chautauqua 59th Annual Exhibition of Contemporary Art, Chautauqua Institute, Chautauqua, NY
Texas National 2016, Stephen F. Austin University, Nacogdoches, TX
Prince Street Gallery 8th National Juried Exhibit, Prince Street Gallery, New York, NY

Group Exhibitions, continued

- 2015 *Royal Scottish Academy Open Exhibition*, The Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh, Scotland
Awarded the Meyer Oppenheim Prize.
The Art of Painting, Washington Art Association, Washington Depot, CT
Strange Paradise National Juried Exhibition 2015, First Street Gallery, New York, NY
The Delaplaine 2015 Annual Juried Exhibit, Delaplaine Visual Arts Education Center, Frederick, MD
Texas National 2015, The Cole Art Center, Stephen F. Austin University, Nacogdoches, TX
Southworks 2015 Juried Art Exhibition, Oconee Cultural Arts Foundation, Watkinsville, GA
The Seventh National Juried Exhibition, Prince Street Gallery, New York, NY
- 2014 *First Street Gallery 2014 National Juried Exhibition*, First Street Gallery, NYC, NY
Ceres 11th National Juried Exhibition, Ceres Gallery, New York, NY
Midland Arts Association 36th Annual Spring Juried Art Exhibition: Texas Artists Today,
Museum of the Southwest, Midland, TX
Still, Blue, First Street Gallery, New York, NY, traveled to Maryland Hall For the Creative Arts, Annapolis, MD
48th Annual National Drawing and Small Sculpture Show, Memorial Gallery, Del Mar College,
Corpus Christi, TX
23rd Annual Juried Competition, Bowery Gallery, New York, NY
Alabama National Juried Art Exhibition, Sella-Granata Gallery, Tuscaloosa, AL
Fire Department, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
- 2013 *Winter Group Exhibit*, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
- 2012 *Large Inventory*, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
Post/Present, Northview Gallery, PCC Sylvania, Portland, OR
- 2011 *Faculty Exhibit*, Pacific NW College of Art, Portland, OR
- 2010 *Interiors*, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
- 2007 *Swap Meet Group Show*, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI
Works on Paper, University of Lincoln, Lincoln, England
- 2005 *BFA Thesis Exhibition*, Pacific NW College of Art, Portland, OR
Pacific NW College of Art Juried Show, Portland, OR
- 2004 Two-person show, Pacific NW College of Art
Pacific NW College of Art/Oregon College of Art & Craft Juried Show, Portland, OR
Chop Shop, Juried Show, Pacific NW College of Art, Portland, OR

Grants/Awards/Fellowships

- 2024 Whitworth University Faculty Research Development Fellowship: *Large Scale Pictorial Dialogs with the Palouse Landscape*
Whitworth University Vocations of the Christian Professor Program
- 2022 University Research Committee Grant for Faculty Research: *Accident and Expression: Exploration and Employment of Perspective Contradictions in Ancient Roman Wall Paintings*, Baylor University, Waco, TX
American College of the Mediterranean Resident Fellowship, Aix, France
- 2021 Allbritton Art Institute Grant for Art Faculty Scholarship: *Redux Contemporary Art Two-Person Exhibit*,
Allbritton Art Institute, Baylor University, Waco, TX
- 2020 University Research Committee Grant for Faculty Research: *Accident and Expression: Exploration and Employment of Perspective Contradictions in Ancient Roman Wall Paintings*, Baylor University, Waco, TX
Allbritton Art Institute Grant for Faculty Scholarship: *Froelick Gallery Exhibit 2021*,
Baylor University, Waco, TX
- 2019 University Research Committee Grant for Faculty Research: *Froelick Gallery Solo Exhibition, windowroom*,
Baylor University, Waco, TX
Allbritton Art Institute Grant for Art Faculty Scholarship: *Froelick Gallery Exhibition*,
Baylor University, Waco, TX
- 2018 Allbritton Art Institute Grant for Art Faculty Scholarship, Baylor University, Waco, TX
- 2017 Josef and Anni Albers Foundation Artist Residency, Bethany, CT
- 2016 University Grant, Baylor University, Waco, TX

Grants/Awards/Fellowships, continued

- 2015 Meyer Oppenheim Prize for an artist working in any medium under the age of 35.
Awarded at Royal Scottish Academy Open Exhibition
Baylor Summer Faculty Institute, grant for teaching and research, Baylor University, Waco, TX.
University Research Committee Grant for Faculty Research: *The Form of Affection*,
Baylor University, Waco, TX
- 2013 Art Institute Grant for Art Faculty Scholarship, Allbritton Art Institute, Baylor University
- 2008 Mural Project, Public Commission for 1912 Center, Moscow, Idaho
- 2006 Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Graduate Scholarship, Loudoun County, VA
- 2005 Abraham and Anna C. Helman Thesis Award, Pacific NW College of Art, Portland, OR
C.S. Price Thesis Painting Award, Pacific NW College of Art, Portland, OR
- 2004 OSAC Ben Selling Scholarship
Pacific Northwest College of Art Grant
Chairman of the Board Scholarship, Pacific NW College of Art
Lorrain Shaw Memorial Scholarship, Pacific NW College of Art
First Place, Charles Carey Award for Life Drawing, Pacific NW College of Art
Oregon Opportunity Grant
- 2003 Excellence in Painting Award, Portland Community College Juried Show

Lectures/Presentations

- 2025 Juror, Allied Arts Association Juried Show, Richland, WA
- 2024 Panelist, *Drawing (a) Life*, University of the Arts Plymouth, Plymouth, UK
- 2023 Guest Interviewer, *Narrative and Presence*, Terrell James exhibition opening, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR
- 2021 Moderator, online panel discussion of "Line," Baylor University, Waco, TX
Moderator, online panel discussion of "Color," Baylor University, Waco TX
- 2020 Exhibition tour and discussion, Temple University Rome, In conjunction with virtual exhibition 2008/2020.
- 2019 Panelist in correlation with exhibition *Emergence: Art and the Incarnation of Space*,
Martin Museum of Art, Baylor University, Waco, TX.
Exhibition tour and discussion, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR.
- 2017 Panelist, in conjunction with 9th Annual Drawing Discourse exhibition,
University of North Carolina at Asheville, NC.
Guest Lecturer, Pacific Northwest College of Art, Portland, OR.
Exhibition tour and discussion, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR.
- 2015 Artist Lecture, "The Form of Affection," Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR.
Session Chair and Presenter: *The Collision of Old and New: Contemporary Meditations on the Old*,
Foundation Art: Theory and Education (FATE) Conference: "Tectonic Shifts: Breaking New Ground,"
Heron School of Art and Design, Indianapolis, IN
Session Presenter: *Shifting Spectrums: Color Theory in Flux*, FATE Conference: "Tectonic Shifts: Breaking
New Ground," Herron School of Art and Design, Indianapolis, IN,
Presenting paper *The Dynamics of Color: Meditations on Piero and Arnheim*
- 2014 Artist Lecture, *The Legend of the Legend – An Art Historian and a Painter React to Piero della Francesca*,
Gallery of Art Temple University Rome, Rome, IT. Discussion in collaboration with guest Frank Dabel,
art historian
Guest Panelist, *Kinda Blue*, First Street Gallery, New York, NY, in conjunction with exhibit *Still, Blue*
- 2013 Artist Lecture, Froelick Gallery, Portland, OR.

Public Collections

Baylor University, Waco, TX
Halle Ford Museum of Art, Willamette University, Salem, OR

Publications

- 2019 *Emergence: Art and the Incarnation of Space*, exhibition catalog, Dr. Richard Davey, Martin Museum of Art, Baylor University, Waco, TX
"Editorial: Benny Fountain," *Visual Art Source*, July 2019, Richard Speer
<https://visualartsource.com/index.php?page=editorial&aID=5308>
- 2017 "Editorial : Features - Benny Fountain," *Visual Art Source*, July 2017, Richard Speer
<https://visualartsource.com/index.php?page=editorial&pclD=17&aID=4088>
- 2016 Manifest International Drawing Annual (INDA) 10, Exhibition in Print, Manifest Press
<https://www.manifestgallery.org/nda/inda10/21.html>
- 2015 Manifest International Painting Annual (INPA) 5, Exhibition in Print, Manifest Press
<https://www.manifestgallery.org/inpa/inpa5/22.html>
Manifest International Drawing Annual (INDA) 9, Exhibition in Print, Manifest Press
<https://www.manifestgallery.org/nda/inda9/27.html>
- 2007 "Generalizing Generations," Maya Allison, Swap Meet Exhibition Online Catalogue
- 2006 "Meet the Artist: Benjamin Fountain '05", Portland Northwest College of Art, Portland, OR, Online Article
www.pnca.edu/exposure/stories/144/benjamin-j-fountain-05
Kate Baldwin, "Grand Landscape," Moscow Pullman Daily News, Aug 22

Teaching Experience

- 2023-Present Associate Professor of Painting, Whitworth University, Spokane, WA
- 2019-2023 Associate Professor of Art, Baylor University, Waco, TX
- 2013-2019 Assistant Professor of Art, Baylor University, Waco, TX
- 2009-2013 Instructor of Drawing and Painting, Pacific NW College of Art, Portland, OR
- 2008-2013 Instructor of Foundations, Art Institute of Portland, Portland, OR
- 2008 Educational Specialist, Pacific NW College of Art, Portland, OR
- 2007-2008 Teacher's Assistant, Tyler School of Art, Rome, IT
- 2006 Teacher's Assistant, Tyler School of Art, Philadelphia, PA