SAM THURSTON

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born: 1943 Detroit, Michigan

education: The Art Students League, New York, N.Y.

The Cooper Union, New York, N.Y.

Current Gallery Affiliations: Front Gallery, Montpelier, Vermont Blue Mountain Gallery, NYC

I lived in NYC after college until my 35th year. I found the start of my artistic direction in NYC in the emerging representational art movement of the '60's and early '70's and met many artists I formed life-long connections to. With marriage and a young child I moved to Northern Vermont where I live today. I had more time to work and experiment than if I had remained in NYC. Vermont also allowed me to have a kiln. I have kept up my connection to NYC over the years.

ONE PERSON SHOWS

Front Gallery, Montpelier, Vermont, 2021 Blue Mountain Gallery, New York, NY, 2014, 2017 Red Mill Gallery, Vermont Studio Center, Johnson Vermont, 2011, 2016 River Arts Common Place Gallery, Morrisville, Vtermont 2011 Deerfield Gallery, South Deerfield, MA 2011 55Mercer Gallery, New York, N.Y. 1998 Dibden Wings Gallery, Johnson State College, Vermont, 2010 Buffalo Mountain Gallery, Hardwick, Vermont, 2009 Washington Art Association, Washington Depot, Ct, 2006 Warebrook Contemporary Music Festival, lrasburg Vermont, 2005 Bowery Gallery, New York, N.Y. 2003, 1978, 75, 72 Catamount Arts Gallery, St. Johnsbury, Vermont. 2003, 1994 Julian Scott Memorial Gallery, Johnson State College, Johnson, Vermont, Newport Natural Gallery, Newport, Vermont, 1988, '91, '93, '95, '01, '02, '06, '15, '16 The Greek Institute, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1998 Trinity College, Burlington, Vermont, 1998 French Press Gallery, Johnson, Vermont, 1998 Clay Studio Gallery, Montpelier, Vermont, 1994 Tones Gallery, Johnson, Vermont, 1993 Copley Gallery, Morrisville, Vermont, 1987 Pilcrow's Gallery, Morrisville, Vermont, 1984

TWO PERSON SHOWS

Painted Caravan Gallery, Johnson, Vermont 2007 Helen Day Art Center, Stowe Vermont, 2007 Renaissance Cafe Gallery, Hardwick, Vermont, 1993 Equipax Gallery, Newport, Vermont, 1989 Catamount Gallery, St. Johnsbury, Vermont, 1989

GROUP SHOWS

Warebrook Music Festival, Irasburg, Vermont, 2003, 1999, 98, 97, 96
"Small Works Invitational 2003" Prince Street Gallery, New York, N.Y. 2003
Tamarack Gallery, East Craftsbury, Vermont 2003, 02
"Still Life" T.W. Wood Gallery, Montpelier, Vermont, 2001
"Fifteen Artists: Ten Years" T.W. Wood Gallery, Montpelier, Vermont 1999
"In Depth: Seven Vermont Artists" Julian Scott Memorial Gallery, Johnson State
 College, Johnson, Vermont 1997
"Body and Soul" Helen Day Art Center, Stowe, Vermont 1996
"Five Vermont Artists" Helen Day Art Center, Stowe, Vermont 1996
"Bowery Gallery 24th Anniversary Show", New York, N.Y. 1994
Equipax Gallery, Newport, Vermont, 1994, 93, 92, 91, 90
Renaissance Cafe Gallery, Hardwick, Vermont, 1993

Cambridge,
Massachusetts, 1989

"Inspired by Lowell" Whistler House Museum of Art, Lowell, Massachusetts,

"Creative Collaborations/Artist-Architect" Cambridge Art Association,

1989

"Sacred Art" Springfield Art and Historical Society, Springfield, Vermont, 1989

Kristal Gallery, Warren, Vermont, 1989

"Sculpture Fest 93" Woodstock, Vermont, 1993

Old Stone House Exhibition, Brownington, Vermont, 1992

"the Figurative imagination" Henry Street Settlement, New York, N.Y. 1988 Orphanos Gallery' Boston, Massachusetts, 1988

Norwich University 23rd Annual, Montpelier, Vermont, 1998, 97

"The Artists Choice Museum: the First Eight Years" Artists Choice Museum, New York, N.Y. 1984

"Figure Painting" New York Studio School, New York, N.Y. 1984

Bowery Gallery Group Show, New York, N.Y.1977, 76, 75, 74, 73, 72, 71, 70, 69

"Painted Light" (Artists Choice show) Queens Museum, New York, N.Y. 1983 "New Epiphanies" University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, Colorado, 1983 "Bodies and Souls" (Artists Choice show) Sherry French Gallery, New York, N.Y.

1983

"Narrative Sculpture" Sculpture Center, New York, N.Y. 1982

"Intimate Visions" State University of New York 1982

"Religion Into Art" Pratt Institute Gallery, 1980-81

"Younger Artists; Figurative/Representational Art" (Artists Choice Show), Tibor de nagy Gallery, New York, N.Y. 1977

"Prince Street Gallery- Portraits" prince Street Gallery, New York, N.Y. 1977

"Vermont Landscape images; a Bicentenanial Event" St. Johnsbury Athenaeum,

St. Johnsbury, Vermont, 1976

"Painterly Realism" Smith College Museum, Northampton, Massachusetts, 1970

REVIEWS

Exhibit Shows Diversity of Thurston's Work by Teri Wagner, the Chronicle, Barton, Vermont, February 21, 2001

Fifteen Artists and a Dynamic Exchange by Bethany Dunbar, The Chronicle, Barton, Vermont, April 21, 1999

Winners by Jed Perl, The New Republic, January 25, 1999

Daniel Heyman, Marjorie Kramer and Sam Thurston by Ken Johnson, The New York Times, January 16, 1998

International Sculptures on Display by Anne Gallowy, The Chronicle, Barton, Vermont, July 18, 1990

Thurston: Sculptor in Our Midst by Carol Winfield

Sam Thurston: Reliefs and Sculpture by Thomas Fraiser, Art New England, October, 1989

Clay Works, Paintings Refreshingly Impulsive by Thomas Fraiser, Burlington Free Press, Burlington, Vermont, June 15, 1989

Art Show '87 Honest in Selection by Peter Gallo, Burlington Free Press, Burlington, Vermont, October 8, 1987

The Artist In Maturity: Sam Thurston at Copley Gallery by Donald Peterson, The News and Citizen, Morrisville, Vermont

OTHER

Reviewer for Art New England 1996 to 2003

Co-founder of the Alliance of Figurative Artists, New York, N.Y. started in 1969

Treasurer and co founder of the Bowery Gallery, an artist run co-op gallery, New York, N.Y. 1969-78