

*Mark Stephenson, Painter*

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**Education**

Art Students League, NYC: Frank O’Cain, Leonid Gervitz, Leonid Lerman, Nelson Shanks, Ron Sherr

University of North Carolina at Greensboro, B.M.

North Carolina State University, B.S.

Pfeiffer College, B.S.

**Additional Training**

Advanced Portraiture: 2013, Michael Shane Neal, Nashville, TN

Metropolitan Museum of Art, NYC, copyist program

**Residencies and Grants**

Regional Artist Project Grant to attend the National Conference of the Portrait Society of America

Arts & Science Council. 2016

*La Macina di San Cresci*, Italy. May-June 2014

Rowan Arts Council Cultural Development Grant Recipient- 2014

**Notable Commissions**

Four Saints Brewing Company, Asheboro, NC: Artist-in-Residence Public Art Program. July 2016

Arts & Science Council, *Community Supported Arts Program*. Spring 2014

Pfeiffer University, Official Portrait of President, Dr. Michael Miller, 2014

Hood Theological Seminary, Official Portrait of President, Dr. Albert J.D. Aymer, 2013

Miss North Carolina Pageant Organization, Official Portraits of Miss North Carolina, 2011 to the present

**Memberships**

Portrait Society of America

Oil Painters of America

American Impressionist Society

Associated Artists of Winston Salem

Campagna Society of Artists

**Solo Shows:**

Upcoming: *Page-Walker Arts and History Museum*, Cary, NC September 2016

*Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center*- October-December 2015, Winston-Salem, NC

*Moore County Arts Council/Campbell House Galleries*, “Art, Naturally” September 2015, Southern Pines, NC

*NC Museum of Natural Sciences*, Nature Art Gallery, “Mark Stephenson, Nature Paintings Inspired by the Writings of H.D. Thoreau” August 2015, Raleigh, NC

*Stanly Arts Guild*, “Mark Stephenson: A Retrospective Exhibit” August 2015, Albemarle, NC

*Rowan Museum* “The County All Around Us” Paintings by Mark Stephenson, March 2015 (Rowan Arts Council Cultural Development Project), Salisbury, NC

*Artspace Corridors* Exhibit, January-April 2015, Raleigh, NC

*Center for Faith & Arts*- “Mark Stephenson, Italian Paintings and Other Recent Works” Fall/Winter 2014, Salisbury, NC

*Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center*, July/August 2014, Winston-Salem, NC

*ARTifex Studio* “As Scene By the Artist”- Landscape Paintings of Mark Stephenson, Spring 2012, Troy, NC

*ARTifex Studio* “Deja vu All Over Again” Copies of Old Master Paintings from the Metropolitan Museum of Art and Original Portraits-Winter 2012, Troy, NC

*University of North Carolina at Greensboro*, 2009

*Stanly County Arts Guild*, 2008, Albemarle, NC

*Pfeiffer University*, 2006, Misenheimer, NC

*Pfeiffer University*, 2001, Misenheimer, NC

**Group Shows (selected)**

2016 Associated Artists of Winston-Salem “Dimensions” National Juried Show

2016 Greenville (NC) Museum of Art- Bi-annual Juried Exhibition

2016 Associated Artists of Winston-Salem, Artist Invitational Juried Exhibition

2015 Ciel Gallery, Charlotte, NC “Body Beautiful” National Juried Show

2015 Bank of the Arts National Juried Exhibition, Craven Arts Council, New Bern, NC

2015 Maria V. Howard National Juried Exhibition, Rocky Mount, NC

2015 Associated Artists of Winston-Salem, “VISTAS” Juried Exhibition

2014 John Singer Sargent Competition, Little Buckland Gallery, Broadway, England

2014 New Members Exhibit: Artspace, Raleigh, NC

2014 Railwalk Artist Studios, “Color Naturale”, Salisbury, NC

2014 Davidson County Community College Spring Art Show “Creativity and Color”

2014 Mooresville Artist Guild Spring Juried Show

2013 American Artists Professional League Grand National Juried Exhibition  
2013 Associated Artists of Winston-Salem, Annual Juried Exhibition  
2013 Carolina Artists Expo  
2012 Yadkin Arts Council “Town and Country” Juried Exhibition  
2012 Cabarrus Arts Council, Concord, NC, “High Five”  
2012 Cabarrus Arts Council, Concord, NC, “In & Out,”  
2011 Waterworks Visual Arts Center, Salisbury, NC, “2011 Artist’s Invitational Exhibition,”  
2011 Green Hill Center for NC Art, Greensboro, NC, “WINTER SHOW 2011,”  
2011 “Location, Location, Location,” Associated Artists of Winston-Salem  
2011 “Up Close and Personal,” Associated Artists of Winston Salem, Exhibition of Juried Members  
2011 “‘You and Me,’ A group show of self-portraits by invited artists,” WaterWorks Visual Arts Center  
2010 Atlanta Fine Arts League, National Juried Exhibition  
2010 North Carolina Artists Exhibition, Raleigh  
2010 Cabarrus Art Guild Juried Exhibition  
2009 “Figuratively Speaking,” Cabarrus Arts Council  
2009 Cabarrus Arts Guild Juried Exhibition  
2008 Cabarrus Arts Guild Juried Exhibition  
2008 “Dimensions,” Associated Artists of Winston Salem, National Juried Exhibition,  
2008 North Carolina Artists Exhibition, Raleigh, NC  
2007 “Dimensions,” National Juried Exhibition, Associated Artists of Winston Salem,  
2007 “Fresh Expressions,” Associated Artists of Winston Salem  
2007 North Carolina Artists’ Exhibition, Raleigh, NC  
2007 Stanly Arts Guild

### **Festivals**

Festival in the Park, Charlotte, NC (Juried Artist’s Walk)  
Spring Into Arts Festival- Concord, NC  
Davidson “Art on the Green”- Davidson, NC  
Cabarrus Art Walk (numerous participations)- Concord, NC

### **Awards**

Merit Award, Maria V. Howard National Juried Exhibition, Rocky Mount, NC 2015  
Top 6 Finalist, ARTFIELDS, Portrait Competition 2015  
Second Place, Associated Artists of Winston-Salem, “VISTAS” National Exhibition 2015  
“Postcard Award”- Davidson County Community College Spring Invitational Show 2014  
Portrait Society of America, International Competition, Honorable Mention: “Self-Portrait” 2012

Carolina Artists Expo 2013, Best in Show, "Sand Path, Early Morning" and Second Place in Oil, "Three Trees"  
Best in Show - Stanly Arts Guild, "Portrait of Betty Robertson," 2007  
Second Place, Painting, Waterworks Visual Arts Center, Artists' Expo, 2011  
Various Awards: North Carolina Artists' Exhibition, Cabarrus Arts Guild, Stanly Arts Guild, others

**Teaching Experience:**

Upcoming, April 2016: Matthews Arts Guild (Matthews, NC)-oil painting  
Fall 2015: Binders Art Supply (Charlotte, NC)- oil painting  
Spring 2015: Stanly Arts Guild (Albemarle, NC)- portrait lecture  
Spring 2015: Randolph Arts Guild (Asheboro, NC) - life drawing  
Brightside Gallery (Asheboro, NC)- portraiture demonstration  
Private lessons in painting and drawing- artist's studio  
Group workshops in portraiture techniques- artist's studio  
Life drawing classes- artist's studio  
WaterWorks Visual Arts Center (Salisbury, NC)- life drawing classes  
Artifex Studio (Troy, NC)- portraiture demonstration  
Stanly Arts Guild (Albemarle, NC)- painting from life  
Cabarrus Arts Guild (Concord, NC)- portraiture workshop  
Cabarrus Arts Council- painting, portrait demonstration  
Monroe Arts Guild, portraiture workshop

**References:**

Michael Shane Neal, artist/teacher, Treasurer: Portrait Society of America- michaelshaneneal@gmail.com  
Les Caison, Program Director, Randolph Arts Guild, lcaison@asheboro.com, (336) 629-0399  
Bruce Wilson, owner: Fine Frame Gallery, fineframegallery@gmail.com, (704) 647-0340  
Beverly Dickson, artist, owner: Artifex Studio and Gallery, (910) 975-0085