

**ALAN BRAY** *American (b.1946)*

## EDUCATION

- 1973 M.F.A. Painting, Villa Schifanoia Graduate School of Fine Arts, Florence, Italy
- 1971 B.A. University of Southern Maine
- 1968 Art Institute of Boston, Boston, MA

## SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *Alan Bray: Inside the Outside*, SEIS Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2021 *Alan Bray: Presence and Absence*, Garvey | Simon @Foley Gallery, New York, NY
- 2019 *On Second Thought*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME
- 2017 *Alan Bray: Inward Maine*, Garvey | Simon, New York, NY
- 2016 *Alan Bray: Terrain Vague*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME
- 2014 *Alan Bray: Recent Paintings*, Garvey Simon Art Access, New York, NY
- 2012 *At the Edges: Paintings by Alan Bray*, University of Maine Museum of Art, Bangor, ME  
*Land, Sea, and Sky*, The Addison Gallery, Phillips Academy, Andover, MA
- 2011 *Alan Bray: New Paintings*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME
- 2010 *The Painting Show*, Richard Levy Gallery, Albuquerque, NM
- 2009 *Alan Bray: New Paintings*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME  
*The Meditative Landscape*, Dunnedin Fine ArtsCenter, Dunnedin, FL
- 2007 *Alan Bray*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME
- 2005 Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME
- 2004 Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME
- 2003 Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME
- 2002 *Recent Work*, A.V.C. Contemporary Arts Gallery, New York, NY  
*Alan Bray: Recent Works*, Farnsworth Art Museum, Rockland, ME  
Schmidt Bingham Gallery, New York, NY  
University of Southern Maine Art Gallery, Gorham, ME
- 2000 *Alan Bray: Recent Works*, Farnsworth Art Museum, Rockland, ME  
Schmidt Bingham Gallery, New York, NY; University of Southern Maine Art Gallery, Gorham, ME
- 1998 Schmidt Bingham Gallery, New York, NY
- 1996 Maine Coast Artists Gallery, Rockport, ME  
Schmidt Bingham Gallery, New York, NY
- 1994 *Alan Bray: Redefining Landscape*, Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME  
Schmidt Bingham Gallery, New York, NY
- 1993 *Painted Places: Graphic Images*, Gleason Fine Arts, Portland, ME
- 1992 Schmidt Bingham Gallery, New York, NY
- 1990 Frick Gallery, Belfast, ME
- 1989 Barridoff Galleries, Portland, ME
- 1987 Barridoff Galleries, Portland, ME
- 1984 Barridoff Galleries, Portland, ME
- 1975 Center Gallery, University of Southern Maine, Gorham, ME

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2018 *LAND & SEA & SKY*, MM Fine Art, Southampton, NY  
*Weather Pending*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME
- 2017 *Summer Selects*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME
- 2016 *Alan Bray, Todd Watts, Kayla Mohammadi*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME

- 2015 *In Through the Outdoors: Keiji Shinohara, Ray Kass and Alan Bray*, Garvey Simon Art Access, New York, NY
- 2013 Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME
- 2012 *Spring Group Show*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME  
*Land, Sea and Sky: Contemporary Art in Maine*, The Addison Gallery, Phillips Academy, Andover, MA
- 2010 *The Painting Show*, Richard Levy Gallery, Albuquerque, NM
- 2009 *The Meditative Landscape*, Dunedin Fine Arts Center, Dunedin, FL  
*Above/Below*, Greenhut Gallery, Portland, ME  
*A Spring Exhibition*, Caldbeck Gallery, Portland, ME  
*A Group Exhibition*, Caldbeck Gallery, Portland, ME
- 2008 *Linear Perspectives*, Center for Maine Contemporary Art – June Fitzpatrick Gallery  
*A Winter Cure*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME  
Thomas Moser Showroom, Freeport, ME & Los Angeles, CA
- 2007 *Gallery Selection*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME  
*Thirtieth Anniversary Show*, Greenhut Gallery, Portland, ME  
*Portland Museum of Art Biennial*, Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME
- 2004 *Two Photographers and a Painter*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, ME  
*Water*, Center for Maine Contemporary Art, Rockport, ME
- 2001 *Past, Present & Future*, Anniversary Exhibition, Center for Maine Contemporary Art, Rockport, ME  
*Maine Biennial*, Center for Maine Contemporary Art, Rockport, ME  
*Water*, Vanier Gallery, Scottsdale, AZ  
*From Nature, Part II*, A.V.C. Contemporary Arts Gallery, New York, NY
- 2000 *Of Darkness and Light: Recent American Landscape Painting*, Art Museum of West Virginia, Roanoke, VA
- 1999 *A Fishing Trip: 6 Men in a Canoe*, Schmidt Bingham Gallery, New York, NY
- 1998 *Portland Museum of Art Biennial*, Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME
- 1997 *Re-presenting Representation III*, Arnot Art Museum, Elmira, NY  
*Selections from the Elizabeth Noyce Collection*, Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME;  
Farnsworth Art Museum, Rockland, ME  
*The Eccentric Image*, Icon Contemporary Art, Brunswick, ME  
*Neo-Romantic Nature*, David Floria Gallery, Wood Creek, CO
- 1996 *Bewitched, Bothered and Bewildered*, Museum of Fine Art, Ann Arbor, MI  
*Destiny Manifest: American Landscape Painting in the Nineties*, Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
- 1995 *Are You Blue?*, Schmidt Bingham Gallery, New York, NY
- 1993 *Night Light*, Barn Gallery, Ogunquit, ME  
*40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibition*, Ogunquit Museum of American Art, Ogunquit, ME  
*Migrant Within II*, Carnegie Gallery, University of Maine, Orono, ME
- 1992 *On the Edge: 40 Years of Maine Painting*, Maine Coast Artists Gallery, Rockport, ME
- 1991 *Art in Maine: A Bounty of Woods and Water*, Monmouth Museum, Lincroft, NJ
- 1989 *Drawing Invitational*, Maine Coast Artists Gallery, Rockport, ME
- 1988 *Maine Savings Bank Collection*, Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME  
*Juried Show*, Maine Coast Artists Gallery, Rockport, ME
- 1987 *Works on Paper*, Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME  
*Director's Invitational*, Maine Coast Artists Gallery, Rockport, ME
- 1986 *Made in Maine*, Picotte Gallery, College of Saint Rose, Albany, NY and Art Gallery, University of Southern Maine, Gorham, ME  
*He Was Beside Himself* (performance piece by Juris Ubans), Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME
- 1985 *Barn Gallery Invitational*, Barn Gallery, Ogunquit, ME

- Painters Who Look at the Environment*, University of Farmington, Farmington, ME
- 1984 Maine Biennial, Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME
- 1983 Maine Drawing Biennial, Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME  
Main Artist-in-Residence Exhibition, University of Southern Maine, Gorham, ME
- 1982 American Academy & Institute of Arts & Letters, New York, NY  
First Maine Artists' Invitational, Bowdoin College Museum, Brunswick, ME
- 1981 Image of the House in Contemporary Art, University of Houston, Houston, TX
- 1977 Invitational, Barridoff Galleries, Portland, ME
- 1976 Invitational: American Painters in Paris, Paris, France
- 1975 Invitational, Webb & Parsons, Bedford, NY
- 1973 Invitational, Galleria Verde, Florence, Italy

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- 2010 "60+ Maine Artists: Collect Them While You Can" *Maine Home Design* April 2010
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Wolff, Theodore F. On the Edge: 40 Years of Maine Paintings 1952-1992 Maine Coast Artist, 1992.

## **SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

Arnot Art Museum, Elmira, NY  
DeCordova Museum and Sculpture Park, Lincoln, MA  
Farnsworth Museum of Art, Rockland, ME  
Fruit of the Loom/ Farley Inc. Chicago, IL  
Kohlberg, Kravis, and Roberts, Menlo Park, CA  
Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum, Wausau, WI  
Lyman Allyn Museum of Art, New London, CT  
Maine Savings Bank Collection, Portland, Me  
Memphis Cancer Center, Memphis, TN  
Portland Museum of Art, Portland, Me  
R.R. Donnelley & Sons, Chicago, IL  
University of Southern Maine Art Gallery, Gorham, Me  
Zillman Art Museum, Maine

## **GUEST LECTURES**

2000 Farnsworth Art Museum, Rockland, ME  
1997 Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME