

Laura Van Horne

I create art because I have to. I am driven by curiosity and gather inspiration from a variety of places: nature, photography, humor, and everyday objects. I enjoy many styles of painting and use a variety of challenging, innovative mediums and materials to create art.

My abstract ink and resin paintings have evolved from years of experimentation with an elixir of inks, pigments, paints, and resin used on different substrates. The result appears organic and scientific with geodes, human cells, irises and orbs coming to mind.

Laura Van Horne is a mixed-media artist who works in encaustic, acrylic, watercolor, ink, resin, paper and textiles. She was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada and moved to Seattle, WA in 1994. She studied acrylic and encaustic painting at Pratt Fine Art Center, in Seattle, WA. Laura has participated in a number of group and solo art shows over the past 15 years. She presently paints and teaches out of Gray Sky Gallery, her Seattle studio/gallery space.

EDUCATION

1998-2004 Pratt Fine Art Center, Seattle WA
1994 MA, SUNY Plattsburgh, New York
1991 BA, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg Canada

TEACHING

2005-present Encaustic Painting and Mixed Media Workshops
2011-present Art Docent Lawton Elementary
2014-present Adult and Children mixed media classes Gray Sky Gallery

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

2018 Solo show @ Taste Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA

- 2018 West Elm, featured local artist, Seattle, WA
- 2017 *Obliteride Fundraiser* Gray Sky Gallery, Seattle WA
- 2017 Group Show Gray Sky Gallery, Seattle WA
- 2017 *Start Now*, Seattle Art Museum Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2016 *Fred Hutch Fundraiser* at Gray Sky Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2016 *Fresh @ SAM*, Seattle Art Museum Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2016 *Divergency* Burien Art Gallery, Burien, WA
- 2016 Group Show at Threshold Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2016 Group Show Gray Sky Gallery, Seattle WA
- 2015 Pratt Fine Arts Center 33rd Annual Art Auction, Seattle, WA
- 2015 Magnolia Summerfest Art Show, Seattle, WA
- 2015 West Elm, featured local artist, Seattle, WA
- 2015 *Spring Group Show* Gray Sky Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2014 Magnolia Summerfest Art Show, Seattle, WA
- 2014 RAW group art show, Seattle, WA
- 2012 Magnolia Summerfest Art Show, Seattle, WA
- 2002 *Cacophony* Group show Colorwheel Studio, Seattle, WA
- 2001 Capital Hill Painters Coop Group Show, Seattle, WA

AWARDS AND PUBLICATIONS

- 2018 Encaustic Arts Magazine, Summer 2018
- 2018, Circle Quarterly Art Review, Winter 2018
- 2017, Studio Visit Magazine, Juried by George Kinghorn, Executive Director & Curator, University of Maine Museum of Art
- 2009, 1st place Magnolia Summerfest Juried artshow.

PERMANENT COLLECTIONS

- Northwest Hospital Kidney Center, Seattle, WA
- Sound Plastic Surgery, Seattle WA
- Northwest Hospital, Primary Care Fremont Clinic, Seattle, WA
- Google Offices, Kirkland, WA
- Washington Athletic Club, Seattle, WA
- Private Collections through out the US, Canada, & Australia