

# Ben Murray

lives and works in Gary, IN

## Education

- 2013 MFA University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 2011 BFA Herron School of Art and Design, Indianapolis, IN
- 2003 Pont-Aven School of Contemporary Art, Brittany, France
- 2000 AA American Academy of Art, Chicago, IL

## Solo Exhibitions and Two Person Exhibitions

- 2019 (forthcoming) – Christopher West Presents, Indianapolis, IN
- 2018 *Annex* - Sidecar, Hammond, IN
- 2017 *In Life Review* - Monique Meloche Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2016 *The Armory Show* – (alongside Carol Jackson) Monique Meloche Gallery, New York, NY
- 2014 *Centerville* - Monique Meloche Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2006 *A Moot Documentary* - Flux Space, Indianapolis, IN

## Group Exhibitions

- 2018 *On Anxiety* - Cleve Carney Gallery, College of Dupage, Glen Elynn, IL
- No Chill* - University of Illinois at Chicago Galleries, Chicago, IL
- Untitled Art Fair* - Monique Meloche Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- Fuse Box* - Western Pole, Chicago, IL
- 2017 *Art Expo* - Monique Meloche Gallery, Chicago, IL
- Faculty Exhibition* – Sonnenschein Gallery, Lake Forest, IL
- 2016 *Not Just Another Pretty Face* - Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- Art Expo* - Monique Meloche Gallery, Chicago, IL
- Art Expo* - Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2015 *#BemisPainters 1982-2015* - Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts, Omaha, NE
- Art Expo*- Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- New American Paintings "Midwest Edition"* - Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL
- 2014 *Ground Floor* - Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2013 *Recent Paintings* - Kaplan A.I.R. Exhibitions, curated by John Neff, NWU, Evanston, IL
- Revisiting Undomesticated* - Design Cloud, Chicago, IL
- A strange house in my voice.* - UIC MFA Thesis Exhibition – Gallery 400, Chicago, IL
- J'Adore* - Ste. 3206, 400 S. Peoria, Chicago, IL
- Winter Group Exhibition: No-Show* - West Pilsen Sculpture Garden, Chicago, IL
- 2012 *MDW Fair* - UIC MFA Booth, Chicago, IL
- 2010 *Bootleg Vol. 2* - Bootleg Gallery, Indianapolis, IN
- Friends of Chautauqua* - ASU Gallery, Phoenix, AZ
- 2009 *Bootleg Vol. 1* - Bootleg Gallery, Indianapolis, IN
- 2007 *Flux Closing Exhibition* - Flux Space, Indianapolis, IN
- 2006 *Interchange* - Indianapolis, IN
- Surface Communication* - Madison Gallery, Indianapolis, IN
- Resurgence*- Madison Gallery, Indianapolis, IN
- Group Show* - Eskenazi Hall, Indianapolis, IN

## Awards and Residencies

- 2014 Artist in Residence - Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts - Omaha, NE, USA
- 2012 MFA Artist in Residence - Ox-Bow - Saugatuck, MI, USA  
Dedalus Award Nominee - University of Illinois at Chicago  
Dean's Scholar Nominee - University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2011 Board of Trustees Waiver - University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2003 Student Artist – Pont Aven School of Contemporary Art – Pont Aven, FR  
Rev. A. G. Fraser International Travel Award – Herron School of Art
- 2002 Joseph Vansickle Scholarship – Herron School of Art

## Publications

- 2018 Pete, Joseph. "Sidecar to Showcase Work by Gary Artist", NWI Times, October 4.  
Hawbaker, KT. "Curator Gwendolyn Zabicki talks Kierkegaard, FOMO and the relationship between art and anxiety", Chicago Tribune, August 29.  
"Ben Murray", Art-in-Buildings at 1000M blog, June 12.
- 2017 Zarley, B. David. "Cinema Fatalité: Ben Murray at Monique Meloche", New American Paintings, March 13.  
Mauser, Nicole. "Painting, Gone in a Flash", Newcity, March 3.  
"65 Things to do in Chicago", Chicago Magazine, March 2.  
"Art Top 5: March 2017", Newcity, March 2.
- 2015 "Ten reasons to get excited about the winter art season", The Chicago Tribune, January 2
- 2014 "Review: Ben Murray @ Monique Meloche", Newcity, May 15.  
New American Paintings, No. 113 Midwestern Issue, curated by Staci Boris, Chief Curator, Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL
- 2013 "Ben Murray (Featured Artist)", MakeSpace.net, May.  
Gomez, Gail. "Stories From the Inside - an Interview with MFA student Ben Murray", Gallery 400 blog, March.
- 2012 Dluzen, Robin. "Smallness and Sameness at Chicago's MDW Fair", Art F City, November.
- 2009 Maehl, Sara. "George Benedict Murray III", Conduit Chicago, September.
- 2006 "A Moot Documentary", OntheCusp.org, February.

## Artist Lectures

- 2018 Conversation with Scott Hunter, Cleve Carney Gallery, Glen Ellyn, IL
- 2017 Conversation with Ben Murray, Andy Coolquitt and Jennifer Reeder, Monique Meloche Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2015 Chicago as Muse, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2014 Conversation with Ben Murray and Andreas Fischer, Monique Meloche Gallery, Chicago, IL  
Art Talk, Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts, Omaha, NE
- 2013 Conversation with Ben Murray and John Neff, Kaplan A.I.R. Exhibitions @ NWU, Evanston, IL  
A strange house in my voice., University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL  
Mutual Interpretations, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL

## Employment

- 2019 Adjunct Assistant Professor, Indiana University Northwest, Gary, IN
- 2013 - present Teacher Artist, Chicago Arts Partnership in Education, Chicago, IL
- 2017 Lecturer, Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, IL
- 2016 Instructional Assistant Professor, Illinois State University, Normal, IL  
Adjunct Assistant Professor, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 2013 – 15 Visiting Assistant Professor, Bridge Program, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL