

KAREN BENDERSKY

FINE ARTIST

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SKILLS

Oil painting
Sculpture
Drawing
Graphic art
Inkscape vector graphics
GIMP image editor
PC, Mac programs
Commissions
Business management
Teaching
SPSS
Statistical analysis

PROFILE

I am a fine artist trained in the methods and techniques of the old masters, but who enjoys experimenting with and combining various techniques. Incorporating my earlier training as a developmental psychologist, I create art that embodies both my insights into people and my experiences as a feminist and person of color. Themes such as struggle, loneliness, isolation, darkness, depression, anger, but also hope, beauty, and humor underlie my work. Though I tend to focus on portraiture, I also incorporate those themes into landscape and still life painting.

EDUCATION

Certificate, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD, May 2023
PhD Developmental Psychology, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN 2000
MS General Psychology, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN 1995
BA Psychology, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA 1991

AWARDS

2024 Finalist, 17th ARC Salon Competition, Port Reading, NJ
2024 Second Place, From Fur to Feathers, SSFA*, Baltimore, MD
2023 Diane L. Templar Memorial Award for Best in Dogs, MPSGS*, Washington, DC
2023 Second Place, From Fur to Feathers, SSFA, Baltimore, MD
2022 Semi-Finalist, 16th ARC Salon Competition, Port Reading, NJ
2022 Margaret Hicks Award for Excellence for an Emerging Artist, MPSGS, Washington DC, \$1000
2022 Honorable Mention, From Fur to Feathers, SSFA, Baltimore, MD
2021 Diane L. Templar Memorial Award for Best in Dogs, MPSGS, Washington, DC
2021 Honorable Mention, From Fur to Feathers, SSFA, Baltimore, MD
2017 Judges Award, From Fur to Feathers, SSFA, Baltimore, MD

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023 *Her Legacy*, The Mansion At Strathmore, Rockville, MD

EXHIBITIONS

2024 Exhibition, David Buckley Good—A Retrospective Exhibit, Hagerstown, MD
2024 Exhibition, June Show, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
2024 Juried Exhibition, Art at the Mill, Millwood, VA
2024 Juried Exhibition, From Fur to Feathers, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
2024 Exhibition, The Three Arts Club of Homeland, 4 Wyndhurst Ave, Baltimore, MD
2023 Exhibition, Holiday Show, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
2023 Juried Exhibition, International Exhibition of Fine Art in Miniature, Washington, DC
2023 Exhibition, June Show, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
2022 Juried Exhibition, International Exhibition of Fine Art in Miniature, Washington, DC
2022 Exhibition, Holiday Show, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD

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- 2022 Juried Exhibition**, Art at the Mill, Millwood, VA
- 2022 Juried Exhibition**, From Fur to Feathers, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
- 2021 Juried Exhibition**, Maryland Art Place Under \$500 Exhibition, Baltimore, MD
- 2021 Juried Exhibition**, International Exhibition of Fine Art in Miniature, Washington, DC
- 2021 Exhibition**, June Show, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
- 2021 Juried Exhibition**, From Fur to Feathers, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
- 2020 Juried Exhibition**, Holiday Show, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
- 2020 Exhibition**, June Show, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
- 2020 Juried Exhibition**, From Fur to Feathers, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
- 2019 Juried Exhibition**, Holiday Show, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
- 2019 Juried Arts Festival**, ArtScape, Baltimore, MD
- 2019 Exhibition**, June Show, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
- 2019 Juried Exhibition**, From Fur to Feathers, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
- 2018 Juried Exhibition**, Holiday Show, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD
- 2017 Juried Exhibition**, From Fur to Feathers, Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD

ASSOCIATIONS/SOCIETIES

Miniature Painters, Sculptors, and Gravers Society (MPSGS), Washington, DC
Oil Painters of America (OPA)

REFERENCES

David Buckley Good, Artist & Instructor, Smithsburg, MD
Francesca Guerin, Sculptor & SSFA Director, Instructor, Baltimore, MD
Andrew Schuler Guerin, Artist & SSFA Instructor, Baltimore, MD
Hans Guerin, Artist & SSFA Asst. Director, Instructor, Baltimore, MD
Nancy Van Meter, Artist & SSFA Instructor, Baltimore, MD

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*SSFA: Schuler School of Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD