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Education

1975 – 1979 BFA; Tyler School of Art – Temple University, Philadelphia, PA
1977 – 1978 Tyler School of Art in Rome, Italy

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2015 ***Blown away and buried: a project in 3 acts***, Waubonsee Community College, Sugar Grove, IL
2012 ***Below the Surface***, DiCaprio Gallery, Moraine Valley Community College, Palos Hills, IL
holes and flow, Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL
2011 ***UNDER-FOOT***, Presidents Gallery at Harold Washington College, Chicago, IL
WATER-LINE, Audible Gallery at the Experimental Sound Studio, Chicago, IL
2009 ***On the road at the waters edge***, Baron and Ellin Gordon Art Galleries at Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA
2007 ***Above Ground***, Alfedena Gallery, Chicago, IL
2005 ***Michael x Ryan Installation presented by Gallery 312***, NOVA Young Art Fair, Chicago, IL
Roadstains and Travels; an installation by Michael x. Ryan, Gallery 312, Chicago, IL
2000 ***walk.about-self; selected drawings 1996-2000 by Michael x. Ryan***, NFA Space, Chicago, IL
1993 ***Ajsfi-Self, Selected Drawings: 1988-1993***, Roger Ramsay Gallery, Chicago, IL
1992 ***Self***, Robbin Lockett Gallery, Chicago, IL
1989 ***Ajsfi***, Robbin Lockett Gallery, Chicago, IL
1987 ***mulberry tree/catalpa tree***, Robbin Lockett Gallery, Chicago, IL
1982 ***Michael Ryan***, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL

Selected Group Exhibitions

2018 ***Wanderlust: Actions, Traces, Journeys 1967-2017***, Des Moines Art Center, Des Moines, IA
2017 ***Unapologetic Drawing***, Ralph Arnold Gallery, Loyola University, Chicago, IL
Wanderlust: Actions, Traces, Journeys 1967-2017, University at Buffalo, Buffalo, NY
Mapping and Borders Exhibition, Lubeznik Center for the Arts, Michigan City, Indiana
2016 ***2016 Faculty Projects***, Sullivan Galleries, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
2013 ***Inventory: The EAM Collection***, Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL
2012 ***Location Intention***, Christopher Art Gallery, Prairie State College, Chicago Heights, IL
2011 ***Collection Highlights: New Acquisitions***, Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL
This is Paul Halupka, presented by the Contemporary Arts Council, C33 Gallery, Columbia College, Chicago, IL
2008 ***The Drawing Show***, Beverly Arts Center, Chicago, IL
Here, There, Everywhere, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL
Mapping the Self, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
2006 ***New Cartography***, LoBot Gallery, Oakland, CA
Perfect, Illinois State Museum Lockport Gallery, Lockport, IL
Perfect, Illinois State Museum Southern Illinois Art Gallery, Whittington, IL
2005 ***Early Adopters***, 3Arts Gallery, Chicago, IL
Perfect, Fermilab, Batavia, IL
Perfect, Art Museum of the University of Memphis, Memphis, TN;
Perfect, Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts, Grand Rapids, MI
2004 ***Artboat***, Navy Pier, Chicago, IL
Perfect, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL

Selected Bibliography

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- 2007 Artner, Alan. *Michael x. Ryan*, **Chicago Tribune**, March 23, p. 20
Foumberg, Jason. *Review and 5 shows to see now*, **NEWCITY**, March 15, p. 16
Foumberg, Jason. *Michael x. Ryan*, **NEWCITY**, March 8, p. 16
- 2005 **Artner, Alan. Three competing spring art shows, a sign of times**, Chicago Tribune, April 30, p. 29
Workman, Michael. *Seven Years Wandering*, **NEWCITY**, March 17, p. 17
- 2004 Brunetti, John. *Perfect: a group exhibition*, **Dialogue**, May-June, p. 22
Workman, Michael. *Perfect*, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL **(Catalogue)**
- 2000 Hixson, Kathryn. *Michael x. Ryan*, **New Art Examiner**, February, p. 49
Yood, James. *Michael x. Ryan; walk.about-self*, **Dialogue**, November/December, p. 48-49
Brunetti, John. *walk.about-self at NFA*, **(Exhibition Essay)**
- 1993 Schleifer, Kristen Brooke. *Michael Ryan*, **New Art Examiner**, Summer, p. 35-36
Artner, Alan. *Beholders Eye: Michael Ryan makes realistic images his own*, **Chicago Tribune**, March 18, Section 5, p. 11
- 1992 Artner, Alan. *Ryan Drawings Prove Protean, Handsome*, **Chicago Tribune**, July 17, Section 7, p. 72
Porges, Timothy. *Chicago, Contemporanea*, February, Volume 3, Number 2, p. 31
- 1989 Artner, Alan. *89 top Ten Exhibitions*, **Chicago Tribune**, December 31, Section 13, p. 19
Rau, Sally. *Talk of the Trade*, **Art & Auction**, September, Volume 13, Number 2, p 58-60
Artner, Alan. *Review: Michael Ryan*, **Chicago Tribune**, September 15, Section 7, p. 35
- 1987 Spector, Buzz. *Michael Ryan*, **ARTFORUM**, September, p. 134
Porges, Timothy. *The Tree in the Wood*, **Dialogue**, September/October, Volume 10, Number 5, p. 35-36
Artner, Alan. *Show hints at a new direction in drawing*, **Chicago Tribune**, July 10, Section 7, p. 57
- 1985 *Collection Artists Select*, Inaugural Exhibition, The State of Illinois Gallery, Chicago, IL **(Catalogue Essay)**
- 1984 Spector, Buzz. *Three Artists from Chicago*, Memorial Union Gallery, University of California, Davis and Falkirk Cultural Center, San Rafael, CA **(Catalogue Essay)**
French, Christopher. *A New View of Chicago*, **Artweek**, December 8, p. 1
- 1983 Moser, Charlotte. *Emerging*, **Chicago Sun Times**, March 20, p. 21

Awards/Residences

- 2005 **Faculty Residency in Krems, Austria**, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Chairman's Award, The Art Institute of Chicago
- 1997 **Distinguished Faculty Award**, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- 1984 **Artists Fellowship**, Illinois Arts Council

Selected Collections

American Medical Association, Chicago, IL
City of Chicago Library Collections, Chicago, IL
Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL
Everson Museum, Syracuse, NY
JP Morgan Chase, Chicago, IL
MacArthur Foundation, Chicago, IL
The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

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