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**GROUP EXHIBITIONS, SOLO SHOWS & AWARDS**

- 2025      *Biographies*, solo exhibition and artist lecture,  
Boswell Mourot Fine Art, Little Rock, AR
- Flashes of Lightning*, solo exhibition and artist lecture,  
Windgate Center of Art + Design,  
University of Arkansas-Little Rock
- 2024      Commissioned portrait of Dr. Charles W. Donaldson, Vice  
Chancellor Emeritus, for Univ. of Arkansas-Little Rock
- OUR ART, OUR REGION, OUR TIME*, 4th annual juried exhibition,  
Walton Arts Center, Fayetteville, AR
- Panoply: 26 Painted Lives*, solo exhibition and artist lecture,  
Bradbury Art Museum, Arkansas State University,  
Jonesboro, AR
- 2023      *OUR ART, OUR REGION, OUR TIME*, 3rd annual juried exhibition,  
Walton Arts Center, Fayetteville, AR
- ArtFields*, annual art competition honoring artists of the  
Southeast; Lake City, SC, Arts Festival
- Natural Beings*, MIXD Gallery, figurative-art group exhibition,  
Rogers, AR
- “Beyond the Canvas with Ray Allen Parker,” interview, *Match  
Book*, issue 002, MIXD Gallery
- 2022      *Merging Spaces*, MIXD Galley, inaugural gallery exhibition,  
Rogers, AR
- OUR ART, OUR REGION, OUR TIME*, 2nd annual juried exhibition,  
Walton Arts Center, Fayetteville, AR
- Lit*, solo exhibition and artist lecture,  
Boswell Mourot Fine Art, Little Rock, AR

*Face to Face: NWA/LR*, two-person exhibition with Jason McCann, Gallery 211, Bentonville, AR

2021 *OUR ART, OUR REGION, OUR TIME*, juried exhibition, Walton Arts Center, Fayetteville, AR

Live oil-painting demonstration, Youth and Family Programs, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, AR

*Painting Icons*, Adult Workshop presentation, Youth and Family Programs, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, AR

*Larger Than Life: Paintings of Ray Allen Parker*, solo exhibition, Boswell Mourot Fine Art, Little Rock, AR

"The Man Behind the Nissan Rogue: Themes and Sources in the Art of Ray Allen Parker," lecture by Leo Mazow, Ph.D., Windgate Museum of Art at Hendrix College, Conway, AR

*Altarpieces and Icons*, solo exhibition, artist lecture and exhibition catalog, Windgate Museum of Art at Hendrix College, Conway, AR

2020 *Individual Artist Fellowship Award* for painting from the Arkansas Arts Council

"10 Portrait Artists to Know Right Now: More Portrait Artists to Follow," by Didi Menendez, *American Art Collector*, August 2020

"Artist Check-in: Hannah McBroom & Ray Parker," interview, *21c Museum Hotel Blog*, June 29, 2020

*62nd Annual Delta Exhibition*, juried show for Arkansas and contiguous states, Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock, AR

"Makers' Round-Up: Ray Allen Parker," interview, *Northwest Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*, April 30, 2020

"Interview with artist Ray Allen Parker," *The Arkansas Arts Scene Blog*, April 10, 2020

*ArtFields*, annual art competition honoring artists of the Southeast; Lake City, SC, Arts Festival

*Sutton Hylton*, two selected paintings, Sutton Hylton Gallery opening, Bentonville, AR

2019

*Figurativas 2019*, semifinalist, international painting and sculpture competition, Museum of Modern European Art (MEAM), Barcelona, Spain

*International Biennial Portrait Competition 2019*, curated by David Hummer and Margaret Bowland, Wausau Museum of Contemporary Art, Wausau, WI

2018

*Rooted: Contemporary Art in Northwest Arkansas*, group exhibition, Lacuna Modern/The Scout Guide: Northwest Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR

*Seven Artists: Representing Seven Artists from the 60th Annual Delta Exhibition*, Boswell Mourot Gallery, Little Rock, AR

*Contemporaries Night*, Artist Lecture, Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock, AR

*Contemporaries Award, 60th Annual Delta Exhibition*, juried show for Arkansas and contiguous states, Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock, AR

2017

*59th Annual Delta Exhibition*, two selected paintings, juried show for Arkansas and contiguous states, Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock, AR

*Visual Biographies*, solo exhibition, Boswell Mourot Fine Art, Little Rock, AR

*The Smaller Works*, group exhibition, Boswell Mourot Fine Art, Little Rock, AR

"Interview with Ray Allen Parker," *The Idle Class Magazine*, May, 2017

*Elevate*, 21c Museum Hotel, individual regional artist showcase, January-June, Bentonville, AR

*Arkansas Small Works on Paper*, statewide traveling exhibition

- 2016 *Artist's Magazine*, finalist, national annual competition, figurative category
- Magic Realism*, group exhibit, Greg Thompson Fine Art, North Little Rock, AR
- 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary*, group exhibit, Greg Thompson Fine Art, North Little Rock, AR
- About Face*, solo show, Arsaga's at the Depot, Fayetteville, AR
- 2015 *Face to Face*, solo show, Historic Arkansas Museum, Little Rock, AR
- At Large*, solo show, Bank of Fayetteville, Fayetteville, AR
- 2014 *Rites & Wrongs*, group exhibit, LaLaLand, Fayetteville, AR
- American Family*, solo exhibition, Nadine Baum Studios, Fayetteville, AR
- 2013 *Life/Lines*, two-person exhibition, Anne Kittrell Art Gallery, Fayetteville, AR
- Walls/Windows*, group exhibit, sUGAR Gallery, Fayetteville, AR
- Figuratively Speaking*, two-person show, LaLaLand, Fayetteville, AR
- BYO*, group exhibit, sUGAR Gallery, Fayetteville, AR
- 2012 *Figurative Language*, group exhibit, Arsaga's at the Depot, Fayetteville, AR
- Art Awards Exhibition*, Fine Arts Center Gallery, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR

### **COLLECTIONS**

- Bradbury Art Museum*, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR
- Jackye and Curtis Finch, Jr.*, Little Rock, AR
- Floyd Miller*, San Diego, CA

## **EDUCATION**

- 2011-14      Painting and Drawing Program  
University of Arkansas, Fayetteville  
Studied with Stephanie Pierce and Kristin Musnug
- 1978            Master of Arts, English Literature  
University of Arkansas, Fayetteville
- 1974            Bachelor of Arts, English Literature  
University of Arkansas, Fayetteville  
Studied painting with Donald Roller Wilson

## **EMPLOYMENT**

- 1979-2010    J.C. Penney Co., Inc.  
Nationwide Headquarters, Plano, TX
- Marketing Photography Director (2001-2010)  
Creative Programs Development Mgr. (1993-2000)  
Sr. Editor, Company Communications (1988-1992)  
Sr. Merchandising Manager, JCPenney Stores (1979-1987)

## **REPRESENTATION**

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