

## BEN MURRAY

American, born 1977 Merrillville, IN, lives Chicago, IL

### Education

- 2013 MFA University of Illinois at 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

- 2018 Sidecar, Hammond, IN
- 2017 *In Life Review*, moniquemeloche, Chicago, IL
- 2014 *Centerville*, moniquemeloche, Chicago, IL
- 2006 *A Moot Documentary*, Flux Space, Indianapolis, IN

### Group Exhibitions

- 2016 *Not Just Another Pretty Face*, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2015 *#BemisPainters: 1985-2015*, Bemis Center for Contemporary Art, Omaha, NE  
*New American Paintings: Midwest Edition*, Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL
- 2014 *Ground Floor*, Chicago emerging artists biennial, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2013 *Recent Paintings*, Kaplan A.I.R. Exhibitions, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL  
*Revisiting Undomesticated*, Design Cloud, Chicago, IL  
*A strange house in my voice*, MFA Thesis Exhibition, Gallery 400, University of Illinois, 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*, Arizona State University Gallery, Phoenix, AZ
- 2009 *Bootleg Vol. 1*, Bootleg Gallery, Indianapolis, IN
- 2007 *Flux Closing*, Flux Space, Indianapolis, IN
- 2006 *Interchange (Collaborative Project Show)*, Indianapolis, IN  
*Surface Communication*, Madison Gallery, Indianapolis, IN  
*Resurgence*, Madison Gallery, Indianapolis, IN  
*Group Show (Donor Event)*, Eskenazi Hall, Indianapolis, IN
- 2005 *Janus Ball (Charity Auction)*, Indiana Rooftop Ballroom, Indianapolis, IN  
*Is, Was, Will Be*, Mona Bismarck Foundation, Paris, FR  
*Is, Was, Will Be*, Espace Melanie, Riec-sur-Belon, FR

### Residencies, Fellowships, Grants and Awards

- 2014 Artist in Residence - Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts - Omaha, NE, USA
- 2012 MFA Artist in Residence - Ox-Bow - Saugatuck, MI, USA
- 2012 Dedalus Award Nominee - University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2012 Dean's Scholar Nominee - University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2011 Board of Trustees Waiver - University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2004 Best of Show - Senior Exhibition - Herron School of Art
- 2003 Rev. A. G. Fraser International Travel Award - Herron School of Art
- 2002 Joseph Vansickle Scholarship - Herron School of Art

### Selected Bibliography

- 2018 Pete, Joseph S. "SideCar to showcase work of Gary artist," *The Times of Northwest Indiana*, October 4.
- 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.  
"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.

### **Selected Bibliography continued**

- 2014 *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.
- 2013 "Stories From the Inside - an Interview with MFA student Ben Murray", *Gallery 400 blog*, March.
- 2012 "Smallness and Sameness at Chicago's MDW Fair", *Art FCity*, November.
- 2009 "George Benedict Murray III", *Conduit Chicago*, September.
- 2006 "A Moot Documentary", *OntheCusp.org*, February.

### **Related Employment**

- 2016 Adjunct Assistant Professor at the University of Illinois, Chicago.
- 2013-14 Teacher Artist, Patrick Henry Elementary, George Washington High School, CAPE, Chicago, IL
- 2013 Adjunct Assistant Professor, Summer Bridge Program, University of Illinois at Chicago, IL
- 2012-13 Instructor of Record, Drawing I, the Beginning, University of Illinois at Chicago, IL
- 2012 Graduate Assistant (Studio/Sculpture Shop Technician Assistant & Art Education Assistant @Spiral Workshop) University of Illinois at Chicago, IL
- 2012 Teaching Assistant (Assistant Professor Dianna Frid), Topics in Drawing I & Advanced Topics in Drawing, University of Illinois at Chicago, IL
- 2011-12 Senior Preparator, Gallery 400, University of Illinois at Chicago, IL
- 2007-11 Preparator/ Storage Collections Assistant, Icon Group, Chicago, IL
- 2006-07 Freelance Preparator, New York, NY
- 2005, 07 Sol LeWitt Wall Painting Draftsman, Indianapolis, IN, New York, NY
- 2005 Teacher Artist, VSA Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN
- 2004-05 Instructor / Coordinator, Herron School of Art (Saturday School/Honors Art), Indianapolis, IN

### **Other Experience**

- 2014 Presenter, *Art Talk*, Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts, Omaha, NE
- 2013 Presenter, *Conversation with Ben Murray and John Neff*, Kaplan A.I.R. Exhibitions @ NWU, Evanston, IL
- 2013 Presenter, *A stranger house in my voice.*, University of Illinois at Chicago, IL
- 2012 Presenter, *Mutual Interpretations*, University of Illinois at Chicago, IL