

CV
Brighton Smith
Born: 1991
Lives: Mesa, AZ

Education

2024 MFA Studio Art, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts
2013 BA Studio Art and Art History, Pepperdine University
2009 HS Diploma Orange County High School of the Arts Visual Arts Conservatory

Employment

2024 -Present, Benedictine University, Adjunct Lecturer
July 2013-Present, Great Hearts Academies

Publications

2024 Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts: MFA Written Theses *Night in Painting* and *Agnes Pelton: Light Bringer*
2023/2024 Great Hearts Academies: Studio Art Curriculum 6th - 12th grades and PD Modules.
2022 Classical Academic Press: "Essentials of Drawing" 10 episode video course. 8.4 Hours
<https://classicalu.com/courses/essentials-of-drawing/>

Museum Collection

Frederick R. Weisman Museum of Art, Pepperdine University: *Ocean Palm*, 2023
In Memory of the Late Director Michael Zakian

Exhibition List

One-Person Exhibitions

2025

January 3- February 28, *High Speed Horizon*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Palm Desert, CA

2023

April *Palms. Skies.*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica, CA

2022

March 19-April 23, *Paradise Garden*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica, CA

2019/2020

July 27-August 30, *Desert Garden*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica, CA

January 4-March 3, *Dreaming of Summer*, James May Gallery, Algoma, WI

2017

June 24-July 22, *Flowers*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica, CA

February 20-March 18, *Coffee or Cocktails*, Jordan Faye Contemporary, Baltimore, MD

2016

September 10- October 15 *Bookends*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica, CA

2015

October 7- November 16 *Stacks*, Skidmore Contemporary Art

Two-Person Exhibitions

2018

April 18-May 28, *Flowers*, Brighton Smith and Alexandra Averbach, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica, CA

Group Exhibitions

2024

May 4 -June 22, *Some Trees* Baldwin Avenue Gallery, curated by Peter Frank

June-August, *Summer Splash*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Palm Desert

August 7-September 5, *Above and Below*, MFA Exhibition Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA

October 4- December 1, *Earth + Sky*, Skidmore Contemporary Art

October-December, *New Works*, De Sarthe USA, Scottsdale, AZ

2023

November-December *Welcome to the Desert*, Skidmore Contemporary Art

July *Summer Residency Group Exhibition*, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts

2022

Gallery Artists Ongoing Group Exhibitions, Skidmore Contemporary Art

2021

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2020

New Works by Gallery Artists, Virtual, Skidmore Contemporary Art

January to March, In Memoriam to Michael Zakian, Skidmore Contemporary Art

Free Arts benefit group exhibition and auction, Free Arts, Phoenix, AZ

2019 Ongoing Group shows for Gallery Artists, Skidmore Contemporary Art

2018 Fall Gallery Artists Group Show, James May Gallery, Algoma, WI

2017 Free Arts benefit group exhibition and auction, Free Arts, Phoenix, AZ

2016 *Being Present, 10th Anniversary Celebration* Jordan Faye Contemporary, Baltimore, MD

Ongoing Group Exhibitions, Skidmore Contemporary Art

2015 ArtMrkt San Francisco with Skidmore Contemporary Art

Work in Progress, Skidmore Contemporary Art

2014 *Gallery Artists*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica, CA

2012 *Group Exhibition*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, LA,

2011 *Winter*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica, CA

Poprealism, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica, CA *Summer: Paintings*, Skidmore Contemporary Art Santa Monica, CA

Reviews

Art Now LA, *Paradise Garden: A Blend of Fragility and Fierceness*

<https://artnowla.com/2022/04/08/brighton-smith-paradise-garden/>

Flowers Review: Mirabelle Alan, June 2017

Bookends Review: Michael Zakian Ph.D., Frederick R. Weisman Museum of Art, Director