

Associated Artists of Pittsburgh Presents

2023–2024 Featured Artists Exhibition

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Pittsburgh, PA (February 28, 2024) — Associated Artists of Pittsburgh presents *2023–2024 Featured Artists Exhibition*, the annual culmination of our monthly featured artists series. The exhibition showcases the work of twelve artists: Lauren Braun, Nancy McNary Smith, Sandra Bacchi, Cheryl Capezzuti, Ulric Joseph, Ben Schonberger, Ling-lin Ku, Jessica Alpern Brown, Lisa Bergant Koi, Paul Roden, Molly Davis, and La Vispera.

“Our fifth Featured Artists Exhibition brings together incredible diversity in creative methods—painting, photography, ceramics, alongside several other unexpected mediums including rubber and dryer lint,” notes Exhibitions Coordinator and Featured Artists Curator Dawn Henry. “You notice small ways these artists' works speak to each other while still being completely unique in material. I hope that, as the audience spends time with the work, they make these connections.”

The exhibition is the yearly conclusion of the organization’s monthly featured artist program, which launched in March 2019. Each artist is nominated and voted on by the Associated Artists’ Exhibition Committee after a review of the artwork submitted to recent exhibition calls and online programs. Associated Artists then features the selected artist and their artwork each month across social media, emails, and the organization’s website.

“Every month, we get to dive a bit deeper into the work of one artist,” notes AAP Executive Director Madeline Gent. “This exhibition then gives us a chance to see their work in person. It truly shows the artistic depth and breadth of Pittsburgh, and we are really only scratching the surface of that creative community. I look forward to it every year.”

An opening reception for the exhibition will be held on Saturday, March 9th, with additional programming to follow. The Gallery is open Wednesdays–Fridays, 11:00am–6:00pm and select Saturdays. To learn more about the exhibition, visit <https://www.aapgh.org/23-24-featured-artists-exhibition> or call (412)361-1370.

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About Associated Artists of Pittsburgh

The Associated Artists of Pittsburgh (AAP) is the oldest continuously-exhibiting artist member organization in the country. Founded in 1910, Associated Artists of Pittsburgh is a 501(c)3 non-profit that exhibits, promotes, and supports the work of visual artists who call Pittsburgh and the surrounding region home. AAP organizes 7-12 exhibitions a year at our Lawrenceville space and with partners throughout western Pennsylvania, manages various educational and professional development workshops, and provides additional programming for our artist community. Membership is achieved through a juried process, and the next membership screening will be announced in fall 2024.

Images:

1. Ulric Joseph, *A Hero's Journey*, 2023, oil on canvas, 48 x 72 in., \$6000
2. Nancy McNary Smith, *Citron*, 2022, clay, 8 x 14 x 5 in., \$500
3. Sandra Bacchi, *Untitled 10* from the Series *When the Wind Blows East*, 2017, archival pigment ink print, 12 x 18 in., \$350

Note: image file names correspond to artist last names and title of artwork. Individual artworks © the artists.

Featured Artists:

- March 2023: Lauren Braun, <https://www.aapgh.org/featured-artist/2023/2/26/lauren-braun-march-2023>
- April 2023: Nancy McNary Smith, <https://www.aapgh.org/featured-artist/2023/3/22/nancy-mcnary-smith>
- May 2023: Sandra Bacchi, <https://www.aapgh.org/featured-artist/2023/4/26/sandra-bacchi-may-2023>
- June 2023: Cheryl Capezzuti, <https://www.aapgh.org/featured-artist/2023/6/28/cheryl-capezzuti-june-2023>
- July 2023: Ulric Joseph, <https://www.aapgh.org/featured-artist/2023/7/28/ulric-joseph-july-2023>
- August 2023: Ben Schonberger, <https://www.aapgh.org/featured-artist/2023/8/28/ben-schonberger-august>
- September 2023: Ling-lin Ku, <https://www.aapgh.org/featured-artist/2023/9/29/ling-lin-ku-september-2023>
- October 2023: Jessica Alpern Brown, <https://www.aapgh.org/featured-artist/2023/10/29/jessica-alpern-brown-october-2023>
- November 2023: Lisa Bergant Koi, <https://www.aapgh.org/featured-artist/2023/11/30/lisa-bergant-koi-november-2023>
- December 2023: Paul Roden, <https://www.aapgh.org/featured-artist/2023/12/30/paul-roden-december-2023>
- January 2024: Molly Davis, <https://www.aapgh.org/featured-artist/2024/1/29/molly-davis-january-2024>
- February 2024: La Vispera, <https://www.aapgh.org/featured-artist/2024/2/31/la-vispera-february-2024>