

**WBM LUXURY GUIDE - ART COLLECTING
30 ARTISTS TO COLLECT IN 2021**



Tom Ashbourne

A Canadian business executive turned elite award-winning, sculptor. He creates timeless pieces of beauty in stone and metal. He says: "As an art lover and collector, my interests are eclectic. After a successful career as a corporate executive, I joined the artistic community as a sculptor, my favourite art form. I found my passion and myself in the world of fine art."

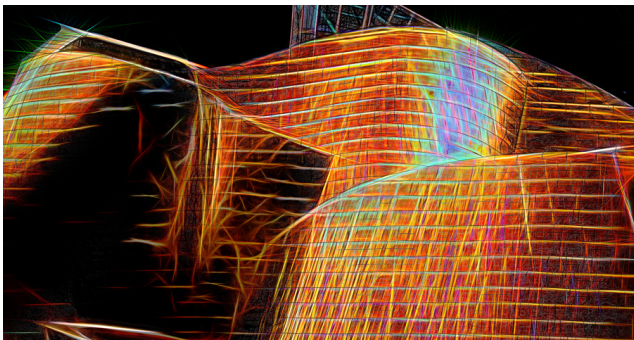
www.tomashbourne.com



Raymond Warren

Warren's figurines harken back to the primitive beauty of pre-Columbian pottery. They are sculpted with finesse, with natural gestures, discreetly bringing us back to our sweetest memories. Warren lives in Quebec. He says: "Clay is a wonderful material that obeys the slightest pressure of the fingers. It's a heavy material, which I like to lighten; a plain material that I like to make smile."

www.raymondwarren.com



Howard Harris

A multiple award-winning fine art photographer who is known for his dimensional, multi-layered images. The Denver Colorado native earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the Kansas City Art Institute in Missouri and Master of Industrial Design from Pratt in New York. His images appear in many books and publications. He shows in galleries in the US, UK and throughout Europe.

www.hharrisphoto.com



Deb Achak

An American photographer working in both conceptual and street photography. Her conceptual photography gives form to memory, energy, and the exploration of spirituality. Her street photography, captured in beaches throughout the world, documents the human experience of water. In both, she stretches the capacity of the camera to create painterly, sensual photographs rich in meaning and story.

www.debachakphotography.com



Hildegarde Handsaeme

An abstract geometric artist with a focus in female figure, Hildegarde's work is easily identified in collectors' circles, a result of her intuitive development of her artistic practices. A master of color combinations and application, accomplishing harmonious and evenly flat areas of color that bring balance and a different dimension to her paintings. She has had more than 35 personal exhibitions.

www.hildegardehandsaeme.com



Ken Naiff

Ken explores the science and art of deep space. He says: "Growing up in the bluebell-laden English countryside, my childhood passion for deep space evolved into a technology career, achieving 7 US patents, and now, as an astrophotographer, by integrating art and science, I capture and create high-resolution, deep space images which are both thought-provoking and nurture a sense of wonder."

www.darkskyimagesbyken.com



Thomas J. Bromley

Thomas J. Bromley has his studio and residence in Chaves County, New Mexico, a few miles northwest of Roswell in an area known as Peaceful Valley. He has been painting with oils from the age of 12. Born in Detroit, Michigan, summer of 1951, raised in Las Vegas, Nevada and moved to New Mexico 40 years ago to set up a studio and paint pictures.

www.thomasbromley.artspan.com



Carla O'Connor

Carla received her BFA in painting from Kent State University, Ohio. She has done additional formal study at the University of the Americas, Mexico City; University of Dayton, Ohio; and the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee. O'Connor is a signature member of the American Watercolor Society, National Watercolor Society and Northwest Watercolor Society (Gold) and is an AWS Dolphin Fellow.

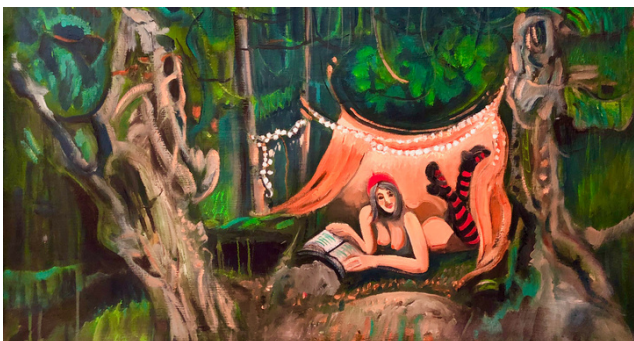
www.carlaconnor.com



S. Brooke Anderson

A Vancouver painter whose oeuvre ranges from landscape to portraiture. Her work is versatile, reflecting nuanced sensitivity, texture and line, interweaving alchemical synergies with unseen worlds. Her work invokes awe and wonder in a world tired of disenchantment. Brooke's work hangs in the Official Residence of the Governor General of Canada, in Ottawa, Ontario.

www.sbrookeanderson.com



Ingrid McMillan

A German-Canadian painter whose work is about humanity. Her collections are imaginative meditations on compassion and idealism. Each body of work consists of multiple oil paintings grouped around specific themes. "I construct narratives using figures and nature to metaphorically describe our interiority. I intuitively play at making the intangible tangible." Her work is held in international collections.

www.ingridmcmillan.com



Gerald Stein

An architect turned master painter. he says: "I paint what inspires me and try to capture the experience for others to appreciate. Currently my motifs come from medieval French and quattrocento Italian scenes I have encountered while travelling. I was educated at MIT and UC Berkeley before emigrating to Canada. For many years, I was a partner in a successful Toronto architectural practice."

www.geraldsteinfineart.com



Fong Fai

Studied art at the Hong Kong Academy of Art. He was selected as one of the six leading artists in Hong Kong. He owned an art gallery and also taught at the Oriental Arts Institute in Hong Kong. His works have been exhibited widely. He uses the brushwork of calligraphy to create artworks that take on a wider and freer soul view, possess a dense oriental feeling, and try to integrate the concept of East/ West art.

www.fongfai.com



Brian James Thompson

A contemporary painter and digital artist based in Houston, Texas, USA. He draws his inspiration from nature, the human form and abstractions of color, form and pattern. His work explores the inner spaces between dreams and wakefulness, the illusory and real, and the continuum between them. He says: "My work is based on fluidity and stillness, on syncopation and consonance."

www.brianjamesthompson.com



Motoko

One of the most recognized artists on the Sunshine Coast of BC, Canada. Born and raised in Japan, she immigrated to Canada in 1992. Inspired by the diversity of nature and human emotions, she uses her fine sense of color, design, and texture to create abstract paintings in acrylics and encaustics. She creates art that evokes emotions and feelings and generates positive energy and harmony within viewers.

www.motoko.ca



Barbara Berlin

Barbara has been making art for over 50 years. When she lived in New York City in the 60's she fell in love with Abstract Expressionism. It's what the galleries were highlighting and she wanted to hang these richly seductive paintings on her walls. As she could ill afford a purchase she decided to enrol in art classes. That decision opened the door to a life long passion!

www.barbaraberlin.com



Svetlana Simeons

A Russian Canadian artist and active member of FCA. She says: "My first noteworthy piece of art was a graphite portrait of my karate coach, drawn at the age of 15. Then there were occasional, rare splashes of creativity throughout my life resulting in small pencil or watercolour pictures. It was six year ago that I started painting in oils, and my artistic genes had finally been realized."

www.simeons-art.com



Sarah Hylton

Sarah is an Expressive Artist and Arts Facilitator specializing in a whole person-centered approach for creating art. She is an avid painter, dancer and ceramic sculptor and can often be found dancing while painting. Sarah's paintings have been featured in galleries, juried exhibits and are in private collections. She says: "As a process painter, painting is an experience of art as a dream."

www.sarahhylton.com



Carol McIntyre

At age 36, Carol gave up a secure corporate paycheck for an uncertain art career. She was born in Iowa, grew up in Philadelphia, worked in Minneapolis, and now resides in Colorado to be closer to her cherished cabin. Her award-winning paintings have earned her a signature membership in the Transparent Watercolor Society and an associate membership in the Oil Painters of America.

www.carolamcintyre.com



Amogh Katyayan

Amogh is an engineer by college degree and an artist by heart. He says: "Comparing my painting technique to looking for images in the clouds, I begin with a blank canvas. As I layer on the initial coat of paint to create texture and colour, I start to see shapes and figures emerge from the paint. This is the foundation from which my paintings develop."

www.amogh.art



Caroline Bacher

With influences including Hieronymus Bosch, Carl Jung, traditional fairy-tales and mythology, Caroline's mixed-medium work presents recurring dichotomies, confrontations and relationships between the individual and facets of the self through a personal lens of metaphor and symbol. Caroline's award-winning art and jewellery has been exhibited across North America, and is in international collections.

www.cbacher.artspan.com



Peggy Blood

Expressionistic artist, Blood is a painter, muralist and illustrator. She primarily uses oil and mixed-media to convey and examine visually the female figure, nature, critical perspectives on social and cultural issues. Her large scale works depict complex images with vivid colors and heavy impasto. They explore and push the medium to engage viewers in a dialogue about their perception, context and meaning.

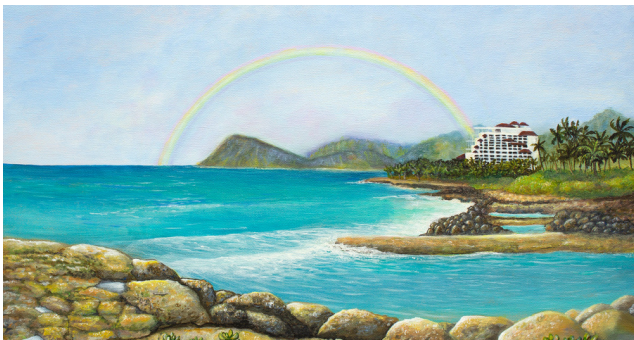
www.peggy-blood.pixels.com



Michele Taras

Described by reporter Kitty Huisman as "a young Picasso, as if he fell into a rainbow." Michele Taras began painting in 2018 after a long career as a fashion photographer. Her work has sold across North America, the Caribbean and the Middle East. Her style is contemporary art - naive. Her bright colours and happy images make her style easily recognizable and her artwork stands out in a room.

www.micheletaras.com



Jan Tetsutani

Jan almost never became an artist. She is self-taught and was born and raised on the island of O'ahu, Hawaii. Jan's paintings are conversations with God expressed in coastal themes and abstract art. Her works are found in luxury homes around the world.

Jan says: "I don't just care about art. I care about you. Art has the power to change the atmosphere and what we feel."

www.jantetsutaniart.com



Carolyn Kollegger

Carolyn is passionate about all things mountain and desert. She lives in Las Vegas, Nevada, and travels the Western US with her husband, Erwin, a Professional Tour Operator, and paints En Plein Air while he hikes and climbs. Together they currently offer the only Painting & Hiking Tour to visitors to Las Vegas. In her own words: "My greatest joy...becoming a part of your life through my art!"

www.carolynkollegger.com



Leslie Lendvoy

A west coast artist from a five generation BC family. She has a Masters of Fine Arts from UBC and is a juried member of the Federation of Canadian Artists. Her work wins awards and hangs in galleries and homes in BC and in Arizona, where she spends her winters plein air painting. She says: "When I paint, my goal is to capture the essence of how a scene makes me feel, honouring that which made me pause."

www.leslielendvoy.com



Rob Buntin

An oil painter of 30 years, and his story from the dusty dirt roads of Georgia in the United States to the cobbled streets of France carries with it some turns that explain his style. Buntin brings impressionism to the future by leveraging colors layered in deliberate brush strokes that deliver a physiological spark, while light captured across matter and air draws in and calms.

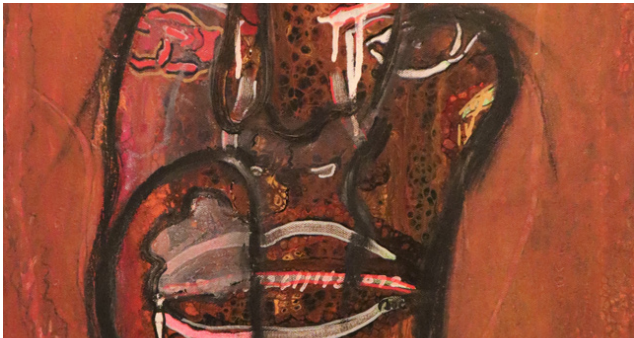
www.robbuntin.com



Ira Lujan

Introduced to glass blowing in Taos, New Mexico during the summer of 2000. He apprenticed with the Native American Glass Artist Tony Jojola, studied under Preston Singletary at Pilchuck Glass School, and studied with Pole Turners. Ira incorporates Native themes and influences with ancient techniques of glass blowing. His work is highly influenced by everyday scenes of Classic Native American Pueblo life.

www.ilujan.artspan.com



Nard Lee

Nard attended Howard University. He started his first business at 20 years old. He sold his business and worked as an actor and model for 13 years. His credits include 'Silence of the Lambs' and 'He Said, She Said'. A passionate creative from an early age, the self-taught artist could no longer ignore the voice that's driven him to visually opine his view on today's unrest through paint on canvas.

www.nard-lee.com

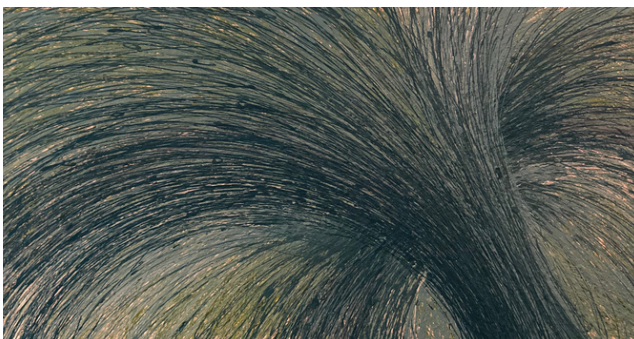


Joe Ferry

A 7-Time Grammy Award Nominated record producer, guitarist and bassist; author of the critically acclaimed "Connected" book series, painter of international note, leader of The Big Ska Band and Professor Emeritus, State University of New York. In his own words:

"I am always at ease painting so I hope that feeling of peace comes through to the viewer."

www.jferry.artspan.com



Jason Behrends

Jason lives in Fredericksburg, Texas. He has a doctorate in science. His abstract art reflects his interest in nature, science, and his surroundings. He utilizes his interests as inspiration to explore color, light, and texture with acrylic latex paint on canvas. Jason works primarily with acrylic latex paints, but occasionally works with oils still today.

www.behrendsgallery.artspan.com