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Kyle Stewart

Kyle Stewart lives and works in Toronto, Canada. Raised on a farm in the countryside, Stewart grew up with a deep appreciation for the natural world and it is that deep rooted sense that seeps into his figurative paintings. Living now in the purely urban atmosphere of Toronto, Stewart does not paint his subjects in nature, rather within a faint recollection of nature, seen through the lens of purely man-made environments. The forms he pairs with his subjects are all at once organic and inorganic, vine-like and also reminiscent of graffiti.

Kyle Stewart has participated in numerous group shows throughout the United States and Canada with solo-shows at the Parlor Gallery in New Jersey and the Muse Gallery in Toronto among others.

EDUCATION

BFA | Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, ON

SELECT EXHIBITIONS

2016

Nexus, Brand Library & Art Center, Glendale CA, curated by Thinkspace Gallery

LAX/ORD, Vertical Gallery, Chicago IL, curated by Thinkspace Gallery

The New Vanguard, curated by Thinkspace Gallery, Museum of History and Art, Lancaster, CA

POW! WOW! Hawaii, Thinkspace Gallery.

2015

"LAX/LHR", Stolen Space Gallery, London UK, curated by Thinkspace Gallery, 2015

Red Head Gallery, curated by Troy Brooks, Toronto

"LAX/DTW", Inner State Gallery, Detroit, curated by Thinkspace Gallery

Gauntlet Gallery, San Francisco

2014

Gallery M, Toronto

2013

Parlor Gallery, "Juried Show", New Jersey, curated by Jonathan LeVine

Gallery M, Toronto, "Natural Reactions" with Adrienne Dagg

2012

Engine Gallery, Toronto

2009

Muse Gallery, Toronto, ON

2008

Petroff Gallery South, Toronto, ON

2007

Muse Gallery, Toronto, ON

2006

ZILBERSCHMUCK GALLERY, August 2006, Toronto, ON



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TORONTO ART EXPO, March 2006, Toronto, ON

ONE OF A KIND SHOW, Nov. 2006, Toronto, ON

THE PURSUIT OF NATURE – works by Kyle Stewart and [Paul Saari](#), William Stephen Gallery, Toronto, ON

2005

Wagner-Rosenbaum Gallery, July 2005, Toronto, ON

Toronto Art Expo, March 2005, Toronto, ON

2004

One of a Kind Show, Nov. 2004, Toronto, ON

Outdoor Art Exhibition, July 2004, Toronto, ON

Toronto Art Expo, March 2004, Toronto, ON

2003

One of a Kind Show, Nov. 2003, Toronto, ON

Definitely Superior Art Gallery, Alumni Exhibition, 2003

Outdoor Art Exhibition, July 2003, Toronto, ON

ARTIST STATEMENT

I was born in London, Ontario, Canada in 1974. I grew up on a farm where my father operated his pottery studio. My mother and her family also include a long list of artists so somehow my life seemed inevitable.

Upon spending four years in Thunder Bay, ON, I gained a profound appreciation for nature and all its shapes, colours and complexities. This bond with nature strengthened while visiting a friend in Spain. I adopted an intense admiration for the work of Spanish architect Antoni Gaudi. His exciting use of colours and organic forms offer me some of the most fantastic and imaginative interpretations of nature I have ever seen.

Over the years I have focused my attention on interpreting the human figure with the belief that through this subject could I best voice my creative energy. I now realize that great satisfaction can be gained when I spend as much time looking for the energy in the world around. Through its infinite combinations of shapes and colours, nature expresses itself in its own language. I try to interpret this on the canvas as best I can. With spontaneous movements of the brush, I feel I can most honestly convey the essence of its words.

My oil paintings are in tune with the varying landscapes of Ontario, and share the whimsical approach for which Gaudi is well-known and admired. My intention is not to reproduce nature as it may be seen through a glance, but to interpret the words, which our environment shares with all of us. I express its energy, reading between the lines of nature's 'language'.