

J. Jordan Bruns

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Resides in Silver Spring, Maryland

Education

2007 – M.F.A., Painting, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana

2004 – B.F.A., Painting, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, Maryland — Minor: Art History

2004 – B.F.A., Illustration, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, Maryland — Minor: International Cultural Studies

Professional Experience

2008–Present – Resident Artist, Glen Echo Park, Glen Echo, Maryland

2022–Present – Co-Founder, Art Clinic Online

2021–Present – Director, Art Clinic, Stone Tower Studio, Glen Echo Park, Maryland

2012–2019 – Manager, Yellow Barn Studio and Gallery, Glen Echo Park, Maryland

2010–2012 – Studio Manager, Yellow Barn Studio and Gallery, Glen Echo Park, Maryland

2008–2018 – Painting & Drawing Instructor, Yellow Barn Studio, Glen Echo, Maryland

2010–2014 – Founder/Director, NIHarts (www.niharts.com)

2008–2010 – Painting & Drawing Instructor, VisArts, Rockville, Maryland

2005–2007 – Associate Instructor (Instructor of Record), Foundation Drawing, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana

Solo Exhibitions

2026 – Babel, Stone Tower 2 Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2025 – Garden of the Pantheon, Stone Tower 2 Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2023 – Playing with Reality, Popcorn Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2022 – Tadaima, Artists & Makers Studios, Rockville, Maryland

2018 – Arigato: 10 Years Immersed in a Stone Tower, Popcorn Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2017 – Unveiling the Magician’s Secrets, Stone Tower Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2017 – Unfinished, Artists & Makers I, Rockville, Maryland

2015 – Traditionally Untraditional, Popcorn Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2014 – Light, Color, Chaos!, Long View Gallery, Washington, D.C.

2013 – Color Chronicles, Popcorn Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2011 – Chaos Matters, Margaret W. & Joseph L. Fisher Gallery, Alexandria, Virginia

2009 – Moving Stone: The Work of J. Jordan Bruns, Popcorn Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2008 – Landscapes, NIH Gallery, Bethesda, Maryland

2007 – Fallen Empires, Indiana University Art Museum, Bloomington, Indiana

2006 – North American Landscapes, Textillery Gallery, Bloomington, Indiana

Group Exhibitions

2025 – Still Life / Nature Morte, Adah Rose Gallery, Kensington, Maryland

2025 – The Art of the Art Clinic Online, Popcorn Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2025 – Abstract in Action, Friendship Gallery, Chevy Chase, Maryland

2024 – Bethesda Painting Awards, Gallery B, Bethesda, Maryland

2023 – 36th Northern National Art Competition, Rhinelander, Wisconsin

2023 – Affordable Art Fair, Alida Anderson Art Projects, New York, New York

2022 – Context Miami, Alida Anderson Art Projects, Miami, Florida

2019 – Aqua Miami, WGS Gallery, Miami, Florida

2019 – Meditations and Epiphanies, Betty Mae Kramer Gallery, Silver Spring, Maryland

2018 – 8th Annual Drawing Exhibition, Yellow Barn Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2017 – Refresh VII, Long View Gallery, Washington, D.C.

2016 – Refresh VI, Long View Gallery, Washington, D.C.

2012 – Color Schooled, Long View Gallery, Washington, D.C.

2011 – Transient Geometries, Antelope Valley College Art Gallery, Lancaster, California

2011 – Bethesda Painting Awards, The Artery Gallery, Bethesda, Maryland

2010 – 31st Annual Paper in Particular, Columbia College, Columbia, Missouri

2008 – 15×15 Alumni Exhibition, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, Maryland

2004 – The Academy Art Exhibition, Conner Contemporary Art Gallery, Washington, D.C.

Curated Exhibitions

2025 – The Art of the Art Clinic Online, Popcorn Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2018 – Small Works III, Yellow Barn Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2017 – The Architecture of Light: Ink Wash by Ilya Gelter, Stone Tower Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2016 – Broad Strokes, Yellow Barn Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2014 – The Sentient Object: Ephraim Rubenstein, Stone Tower Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2011 – An Evening with the Arts, Popcorn Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

Juried Exhibitions / Jury Service

2025 – Montgomery Art Association, Strathmore Mansion, Maryland

2025 – Chevy Chase Art League, Friendship Heights, Maryland

2023 – Capitol Hill Art League 'Color Explosion,' Washington, D.C.

2013 – Gaithersburg Fine Art Association Juried Exhibition, Gaithersburg, Maryland

2012 – 6th Annual Best of the Independent Schools Art Competition, Bethesda, Maryland

2011 – Montgomery Art Association Annual Juried Exhibition, Chevy Chase, Maryland

2011 – Olney Art Association Annual Juried Exhibition, Olney, Maryland

Guest Lectures & Speaking Engagements

2023 – Playing with Reality, Popcorn Gallery, Glen Echo, Maryland

2022 – 'Ink Wash,' Artists & Makers Studios, Rockville, Maryland

2017 – 'Alla Prima,' Gaithersburg Fine Arts Association, Maryland

2017 – 'Abstract Representation,' Montgomery Art Association, Maryland

2016 – 'Work to Date,' Olney Art Association, Maryland

2013 – 'Color Chronicles,' Art League of Germantown, Maryland

2011 – 'How to Critique,' Rockville Art League, Maryland

Honors, Awards & Publications

2025 – Creativity Grant, Arts & Humanities Council of Montgomery County, Maryland

2024 – Bethesda Painting Awards – 2nd Place Winner, Bethesda, Maryland

2016 – Featured Artist, Incite 3 and Acrylic Works 3, North Light Media

2014 – Featured Artist, Studio Visit Magazine

2014 – Individual Artist Grant, Montgomery County

2013 – Winner (D.C. Region), Bombay Sapphire Artisan Series

2009 – Trawick Prize Semifinalist, Bethesda, Maryland

2009 – Featured on WAMU 88.5 NPR, 'An Artistic Triumph Over Cushing's Disease'

2007 – Featured in Creative Quarterly No. 7

2000–2004 – Trustee Award, Maryland Institute College of Art

Collections

The World Bank, Washington, D.C.

Novartis Pharmaceuticals, New York, New York

Kaiser Permanente, Rockville, Maryland

Avance Restaurant, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Charlotte & Russ Leighton, Potomac, Maryland

Press

2024 – 'In the Galleries: Bethesda Painting Awards highlight abstraction and precision,' The Washington Post, June 14, 2024. Review by Mark Jenkins.

2024 – 'Winners Named for 20th Annual Bethesda Painting Awards,' East City Art, June 10, 2024.

2024 – 'Gallery Showcases Artwork from Bethesda Painting Awards Finalists,' Montgomery Community Media, June 3, 2024.

2024 – 'Meet J. Jordan Bruns,' Canvas Rebel Magazine, January 25, 2024.

2023 – 'The Art of J. Jordan Bruns: Playing with Reality,' East City Art, April 18, 2023.

2014 – 'Light, Color, Chaos! at Long View Gallery,' The Washington Post, October 2, 2014.

2009 – 'An Artistic Triumph Over Cushing's Disease,' WAMU 88.5 NPR, September 8, 2009.