BETTY MERKEN

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

Laura Russo Gallery, Portland, OR 2016

Laura Russo Gallery, Portland, OR 2014

Gebert Contemporary, Scottsdale, AZ 2013

Argazzi Art, Lakeville, CT 2013

"In Italia," The Laura Russo Gallery, Portland, OR 2013

"Interpretations," Gebert Contemporary, Scottsdale, AZ 2011

The Laura Russo Gallery, Portland, OR 2004, 2006, 2010

Melissa Morgan Fine Arts, Palm Dessert, CA 2010

Sears-Peyton Gallery, New York, NY 2010

Seattle Art Museum Gallery, TASTE Cafe, Seattle, WA 2009

Argazzi Art, Lakeville, CT 2009

Washington State Convention Center, Seattle, WA 2006

Anne Reed Gallery, Ketchum, ID 2005

Dolby Chadwick Gallery, San Francisco, CA 2000, 2002, 2004, 2005

Sears Peyton Gallery, New York, NY 2003

Margo Jacobsen Gallery, Portland, OR 1998, 2000, 2001

American Institute of Architects Gallery, Seattle, WA 1999

Seattle Pacific University Gallery, Seattle, WA 1997

Takada Gallery, San Francisco, CA 1997

Ruth Bachofner Gallery, Santa Monica, CA 1996

ACT Theatre Gallery, Seattle, WA 1994

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

Sears Peyton Gallery, New York, NY 2016

Stewart Gallery, Boise, ID 2016

Gebert Contemporary, Scottsdale, AZ 2016

Heather Gaudio Fine Art, New Canaan, CT 2015

"ArtWorks ADL: Justice, Advocacy & Art," Chelsea Skylight Modern, New York 2015

"Dolce Far Niente," Sears Peyton Gallery, New York, NY 2013

Gilman Contemporary, Ketchum, ID 2013

Summer Exhibition, Argazzi Gallery, Lakeville, CT 2013

Gebert Contemporary, Scottsdale, AZ 2013

The Laura Russo Gallery, Portland, OR 2003, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014

"25th Anniversary Gallery Group Show," The Laura Russo Gallery, Portland, OR 2011

"Celebrating Ten Years on Main," Gebert Contemporary, Scottsdale, AZ 2011

"Film and Paper," Gebert Contemporary, Scottsdale, AZ 2011

"All Abstract: Six Gallery Artists," Gebert Contemporary, Scottsdale, AZ 2011

"Paper," Julie Nester Gallery, Park City, UT 2010

"New Prints 2010/Spring," International Print Center, New York, NY 2010

Argazzi Gallery, Lakeville, CT 2009

"Invitational Exhibitions," Sears Peyton Gallery, New York, NY 2009

"Hospitality House 25th Invitational Art Auction," Andrea Schwartz Gallery, San Francisco, CA 2009

San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art Invitational Art Auction, San Jose, CA 2009

"Invitational Exhibition," Seattle Art Museum Gallery, Seattle, WA 2008

"Invitational Exhibition," Julie Nester Gallery, Park City, UT 2008

Red Dot Art Fair, Miami, FL 2007

"10th Anniversary Invitational Exhibition," Dolby Chadwick Gallery, San Francisco, CA 2007

"20th Anniversary Group Show," The Laura Russo Gallery, Portland, OR 2006

"Works on Paper," Shenzhen Institute of Contemporary Art, Shenzhen, China; catalogue 2006

"Los Angeles International Art Exposition, Los Angeles, CA 2004, 2006

Miami International Art Fair, Miami, FL 2006

Gerald Peters Gallery, Dallas, TX 2005

"Art Chicago in the Park," Belloc Lowndes Gallery, Chicago, IL 2005

"Art LA," Dolby Chadwick Gallery, Santa Monica Civic Auditorium, Santa Monica, CA 2005

"Hospitality House Invitational Art Auction," Haley Martin Gallery, San Francisco, CA 2005

"Henry Gallery Invitational Art Auction," Henry Art Gallery, Seattle, WA 2005

"San Francisco International Art Exposition," Dolby Chadwick Gallery, San Francisco 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005

San Francisco Art Institute Invitational Auction, San Francisco, CA 2005 Affordable Art Fair, New York, Dolby Chadwick Gallery 2005

J. Johnson Gallery, Jacksonville, FL 2004

"Innovative Printmaking," Seattle Art Museum Rental Sales Gallery, Seattle, WA; invitational 2004

"Pratt Fine Arts Instructors' Juried Exhibit," Seattle Art Museum Rental Sales Gallery, Seattle, WA 2004

"Hospitality House Invitational Art Auction," Andrea Schwartz Gallery, San Francisco, CA 2004

"Affordable Art Fair," Pier 51, New York, NY; Sears Peyton Gallery, New York, NY; Dolby Chadwick

Gallery, San Francisco, CA 2003

"Works on Paper," Goya-Girl Press and Contemporary Art Gallery, Baltimore, MD; national juried print exhibition 2003

"Los Angeles Printmaking Society 17th National Exhibition," The Armory Center for the Arts,

Pasadena, CA; catalogue 2003

Headlands Center for the Arts Invitational Auction, Marin Headlands, CA 2003 "Masters of the Print," 416 West Gallery, Denison, TX; international juried print exhibition; Honorable

Mention 2002

"The Art of Monotype," Rental Sales Gallery, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA 2002 "Affordable Art Fair," Pier 51, New York, Sears Peyton Gallery, New York, NY 2002

Faculty Exhibition, Frye Art Museum, Seattle, WA 2002

"Art for AIDS," Butterfield & Butterfield, San Francisco, CA; invitational auction 2002 "Works on Paper," Park Avenue Armory, New York, Sears Peyton Gallery, New York, NY 2001

Hospitality House Invitational Art Auction, Braunstein/Quay Gallery, San Francisco, CA 2001

"Patina and Surfaces," Anne Reed Gallery, Ketchum, ID 2001

"Seattle Art Museum Talent," Staff Exhibition, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA 2001

Margo Jacobsen Gallery, Portland, OR 1999

Y2 Bash Invitational, Henry Art Gallery, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 1999

Seafirst Gallery, Poncho and Pratt Exhibit, Seattle, WA (invitational) 1997, 1998, 1999

Art for AIDS, Seattle Art Museum Art Pavilion, Seattle, WA (invitational) 1999

Center on Contemporary Art, Seattle, WA (invitational) 1996

"Celebrate Northwest Women '96," Wiseman Gallery, Rogue Community College,

Grants Pass, OR

(catalogue) 1996

Takada Gallery, San Francisco, CA (two person exhibition) 1996

"Folie 'a Deux," Center on Contemporary Art, Seattle, WA (invitational drawing

exhibition) 1995

Takada Gallery, San Francisco, CA 1995

Ruth Bachofner Gallery, Santa Monica, CA 1994

Grover-Thurston Gallery, Seattle, WA (two person exhibition) 1994

Faculty Exhibition, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA 1994

Warwick Gallery, Seattle, WA 1993

"The Legacy: Women Painters of the Northwest," Western Washington State

University Gallery,

Bellingham, WA (invitational) 1992

"Northwest International Art Competition," Whatcom Museum of Art, Bellingham, WA 1992

Faculty Exhibition, Pratt Fine Arts Center, Seattle, WA 1991

Faculty Exhibition, The Art Institute of Seattle, Seattle, WA 1990

"Annual One Two Exhibition," Security Pacific Gallery, Seattle, WA 1990

"Taking Liberties," Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, CA 1988

"Orange County 8th Annual," Orange County Center for Contemporary Art, Los

Angeles, CA 1988

"L.A. Artists: Contemporary Painting and Sculpture," Jewish Federation Council

Galleries, Los Angeles, CA 1987

"At Kouros," Kouros Gallery, New York, NY (invitational) 1984

"Artists Call," SPARC Gallery, Venice, CA 1984

International Gallery, Setagaya-Ku, Tokyo (invitational) 1983

"California Bookworks," The Otis Art Institute Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 1983

Downey Museum of Art, Downey, CA 1982

Boise Art Museum, Boise, ID (invitational) 1981

SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Achenbach Foundation for Graphic Arts, Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco, CA

Alza Pharmaceuticals, US Corporate Headquarters, Mt. View, CA

Apax Partners, San Francisco, CA

Bear Stearns & Co., Inc., New York, NY

Bellevue Towers, Bellevue, WA

Boeing Company, Chicago, IL

Bon Marche, Seattle, WA

Brereton Architects, San Francisco, CA

Bullock's, Los Angeles, CA

Charles Schwab, Boston, MA

Charles Schwab, New York, NY

Charles Schwab, San Francisco, CA

Christie Law Group, Seattle, WA

Chubb, Inc. San Francisco, CA

Columbia Pacific, Santa Monica, CA

Crain Communications, Detroit, MI

Genentech, Inc., San Francisco, CA

General Electric, Brussels, Belgium

Georgina Rice and Co., San Francisco, CA

The Gordon Gilkey Center for Graphic Arts, Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR

Goldman Sachs & Co., San Francisco, CA

Grunwald Center for Graphic Arts, UCLA Armand Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA

Hallmark Cards, Inc, Kansas City, Missouri

Harbor Benedetti, Los Angeles, CA

Henry Ford III Collection, Detroit, MI

Hewlett Packard Foundation, San Francisco, CA

Industry Club, Tokyo, Japan

Kell Capitol, Stamford, CT

Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA

Marcus and Millichap, Palo Alto, CA

Neiman Marcus Corporation, Dallas, TX

Nokia, Mt. View, CA

Nordstrom, Seattle, WA; Scottsdale, AZ; Costa Mesa, CA; Palo Alto, CA

Norwest Venture Partners, Palo Alto, CA

Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, OR

Paramount Studios, Los Angeles, CA

Pfeizer, Inc., New York, NY

Redwood Trust, Inc. Mill Valley, CA

Scios, Inc. Fremont, CA

Sebastian and Sons, Napa Valley, CA

Spear Street Capitol, San Francisco, CA

UCLA Medical Center, Neuroscience Center, Westwood, CA

United States Embassy, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

URS Corporation, San Francisco, CA

Wentworth Hauser and Violich, LLP, San Francisco, CA

Wolfgang Puck Café, Tokyo, Japan

ZAK Architecture, San Francisco, CA

AWARDS AND RESIDENCIES

BAU Institute Painting Fellowships, Otranto, Italy, 2010 and 2012

Astra Zarina Fellowship, The Northwest Institute for Architecture and Urban Studies in Italy (NIAUSI)

in Civita di Bagnoregio, Italy, 2011

Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA, Etching workshop

Milnora Roberts Fine Arts Scholarships, University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Haystack Mountain School of Crafts Scholarship, Deer Isle, ME

Penland School Scholarship, Penland, NC

Honorable Mention, "Master of the Print," Exhibition, 416 West Gallery, Dennison, TX

Exhibited with Robert Rauschenberg, Matisse, Jasper Johns, Cy Twombly, Jim Dine, Sol

Lewitt. Curated by Leonard Lehrer, master printmaker and Board of Trustees,

International Print Center New York.

ACADEMIC

Guest Lecturer, University of Washington School of Art, Seattle, WA 1985-present Guest Lecturer, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA 1990, 1994, 1995, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2009

Guest Lecturer, Callison Architecture, Seattle, WA 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008

Guest Lecturer and Instructor, Frye Art Museum, Seattle, WA 1998, 1999, 2000, 2005

Guest Lecturer, American Institute of Architects, Seattle, WA 1990-1998, 2000-2005

Instructor, Cornish College of the Arts, Seattle, WA 2005

Instructor, Pratt Fine Arts Center, Seattle, WA 1991-1999

Instructor, Seattle Art Museum Art Studio Program, Seattle, WA 1990

Instructor, The Otis Art Institute, Los Angeles, CA 1982-1989

Instructor and Guest Lecturer, UCLA Extension, Department of the Arts, Los Angeles, CA 1981-present

Instructor, Los Angeles Pierce College Art Department, Los Angeles, CA 1980-1981
Instructor, Seattle Pacific University Art Department, Seattle, WA 1976-1979
And various guest lectures and seminars across the country

EDUCATION

Crown Point Press, San Francisco, CA; residency workshop in printmaking University of Washington, Seattle, WA; B.A. Arts Education University of California at Los Angeles; graduate work in art Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, ME Penland School of Crafts, Penland, NC

PUBLICATIONS

Speer, Richard. Review, "Betty Merken: Gravity and Whispers," Solo Exhibition, Laura Russo Gallery, Portland, OR. ArtLtd, September/October 2014

Betty Merken: Paintings and Works on Paper, A Selection. Mid-career survey catalogue with essays by Leonard Lehrer and Lilly Wei. Marquand Books, Seattle 2014

ArtLtd, May/June 2014 issue

Graham, Leon, "A Sure Eye for Texture, Beauty and Tone," Lakeville Journal, June 6, 2013

Adams, Anne, "First Thursday Picks," Portland Monthly, June 30, 2010, online at http://www.portlandmonthlymag.com/blogs/culturephile-portland-arts/063010-firstthursday-cp/

"Review: Solo Exhibition, Argazzi Art, Lakeville, CT," Lakeville Journal, September 3, 2009

"Review: Solo Exhibition, Argazzi Art, Lakeville, CT," Lakeville Journal, February 2009 "A Common Language". Catalogue. Essay .Shenzhen University College of Art and Design,

Shenzhen Fine Art Institute, Shenzhen, China, August 2007

Koppman, Debra, "Mary Josephson and Betty Merken," Artweek, March 2006, p. 6 Harris, Chloe. "Home is Where the Art Is," Design (San Francisco), November 2005, pp. 112-123

Johnson, Robert Flynn. "Twelve on Twelve," exhibition catalogue, Graphic Arts, Fine Arts Museums of San

Francisco, 2004

Giuliano, Mike. "Paper Cuts: Goya-Girl's National Show Chases Down the Sharpest Works on Paper,"

City Paper, Baltimore, MD, January 29, 2003.

Salatino, Kevin. "Juror's Statement," Los Angeles Printmaking Society 17th National Exhibition, exhibition

catalogue, The Armory Center for the Arts, Pasadena, CA, 2003

Glowen, Ron. "Betty Merken at AIA," Artweek January 2000.

"Help for the Color Disassociated," Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce Architecture and

Design Issue, 1998

"Shades of Life: The Color Consultant and the Built Environment," Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce Architecture and Design Issue, 1997

Anderton, Frances. "The Gallery Strikes Back," The Art Newspaper, London, England, No. 61

July-August 1996

Merken, Betty and Stefan. Wall Art. Running Press, Philadelphia, PA, 1987; 128 pp.