

RACHEL BRASK - OIL PAINTER OF RAINY DAYS

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HONORS & AWARDS

Artist in Residence, Once Upon Water residency at Artscape Gibraltar Point, Toronto, Ontario, 2023.
Director's Pick, "Show Stopper," Distinction, Paradise City Arts Festival, Marlboro, MA, 2022.
Artist in Residence, Golden Apple Art Residency, Harrington, Maine, merit scholarship, 2018, 2022.
Artist in Residence, The Pitcher-Goff House's The Container Project/The Artist Life, Pawtucket, RI, 2022.
Second Place Award, Imagine Water, Portsmouth Arts Guild, Portsmouth, RI, 2021
Artist in Residence, Tryon Int'l Equestrian Center Art Residency (first artist of pilot program), Tryon, NC, 2019.
Fall Cohort, AS220's *Practice/Practice*, artist professional development, Providence, RI, 2018, 2019.
Artist in Residence, Edgewood Farm Art Residency, Truro Center for the Arts Castle Hill, Truro, MA, 2018, 2019.
Selected Artist, Curatorial Mentorship, Art League Rhode Island and RISCA, Providence, RI, 2016.
Recipient, Founders Award, Art League Rhode Island, 2016.

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS & 2-3 ARTIST EXHIBITIONS

The Skies Cried When My Fathers Died, Churchwood Gallery/Preservation Framers, North Attleboro, 2023.
The Skies Cried When My Fathers Died: New Paintings by Rachel Brask. pop-up exhibit, East Providence, RI, 2022.
Rachel Brask Paintings from The Container Project, Pitcher-Goff House, Pawtucket, RI 2022.
Rachel's Rainy Days: Paintings by Rachel Brask: The Burgundian, Attleboro, MA, 2021-2022.
Collective Environments (3 artists), Hygienic Art Gallery, New London, CT, 2021.
Weathering The Storm: Paintings by Rachel Brask, HeARTspot Art Center, East Providence, RI, 2020.
30 Paintings in 30 Days by Rachel Brask, *Curbside Art Show*, East Providence, RI, 2020.
Paint! Artist's Innovative Uses of Paint (3 artists), Gallery 175, Pawtucket, RI, 2020.
Rachel's Rainy Windows, Cashmere Bistro, Seekonk, MA, 2020..
Rachel's Rainy Days, Center Stairs Gallery, Butler Hospital, Riverside, RI, 2019-20.
Rachel Brask: La Pioggia dei Colori (The Rains of Colors), Galeria Villa Comunale di Frosinone, Frosinone, Italy, 2019.
Rachel Brask: Coastal Rainy Moments, Sprout Warren Gallery, Warren, RI, 2019.
Rachel Brask: Abstracted Rain: Paintings from Maine Residency, AS220 Main Gallery, Providence, RI, 2018.
Rachel Brask: Abstract Rainy Moments, Clad In, Wayland Square, Providence, 2018.
Rainy Moments: Paintings by Rachel Brask, Bank RI Gallery Turks Head, Providence, RI, 2018.
Rainy Moments: Paintings by Rachel Brask, BankRI Gallery Pitman Street, Providence, RI, 2018.
Artboretum: Creative Cultivations, (3 artists), DeBlois Gallery, Newport, RI, 2018
Abstracted Rainy Moments, The Olive Tap, Providence, RI, 2017.
Abstracted Rainy Moments, Forget-Me-Not Gallery, Pawtucket, RI, 2017.
Pop-up Poolside Paintings Preview Party, East Providence, RI, 2016.

SELECTED INVITATIONAL & JURIED EXHIBITIONS

ARTiculate, Bristol Art Museum at Rogers Free Library Community Gallery, Bristol, RI, 2023.
Bold Brushstrokes: 7 Abstract Artists, 7 Voices, HeARTspot Art Center & Gallery, East Providence, RI, 2023.
The Fragile Beautiful Earth Salon de Refuses, **Gallery Sitka, Shirley, MA, 2023.**
Once Upon Water Residents Exhibition, Artscape Gibraltar Point, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, 2023.
Torrid: Abstract Impressions, The White Room Gallery, Worcester, MA, 2023.
Home: Celebrating Nature Exhibition, DeBlois Gallery, Middletown, RI, 2023.
The Foundry Artists Show, Pawtucket, RI, 2022.
Boston International Fine Art Show, Boston, MA, 2022.
Paradise City Arts Festival Fine Art Show, Northampton & Marlboro, MA, 2022.
RI Abstractionists, Pitcher-Goff House Gallery, Pawtucket, RI, 2022.
Expo for the Senses, Attleboro Arts Museum, Attleboro, MA, 2022.
Abstractions, True Grit Art Gallery, Middleboro, MA, 2022.
Imagine Water Juried Exhibition, Portsmouth Artist Guild, Portsmouth, RI, 2021.
Small Works Show, HeARTspot Art Center, East Providence, RI, 2020.
Biennale Arte Contemporanea, Frosinone, Boville, and Rome, Italy, 2020.
Art for Everyone: Gallery Night Juried Exhibition, Sprout CoWorking Gallery, Providence, RI, 2020.
I Pittori Americani (The American Painters), Galeria Comune di Boville Ernica, Boville, Italy, 2019
Artist in Residency Exhibition, Tryon International Equestrian Center, Equine Instincts Gallery, Tryon, NC, 2019.
Abstracts, Warwick Center for the Arts, Warwick, RI, 2019.
12th Annual Pawtucket Foundation Prize Exhibition, Pawtucket Arts Collaborative Mill Gallery, Pawtucket, RI, 2019.

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Ways of Working Water (4 artists), Central Library Gallery, Cranston RI, 2019.
Connessione Oltre Confini Bienniel Pt 2, Palazzo della Provincia di Frosinone, Frosinone, Italy, 2019.
Connessione Oltre Confini Binenniel Pt 1, Area Contesa Arte Gallery, Rome, Italy, 2018.
Annual Holiday Show, Heartspot Art Center & Gallery, East Providence, RI, 2018-19.
Autumn & Halloween Exhibition, Sprout Coworking Gallery, Providence, RI, 2018.
The Great Outdoors, Heartspot Art Center & Gallery, East Providence, RI, 2018.
Coastal Themed Exhibition (4 artists), Sprout Coworking Gallery, Providence, RI, 2018.
The Artist's Voice Juried Exhibition, Heartspot Art Center & Gallery, East Providence, RI, 2018.
It's The Little Things, invitational exhibition, Art Prov Gallery, Providence, RI, 2018.
DeBlois Gallery Holiday Invitational Show, DeBlois Gallery, Middletown, RI, 2017
31st Annual RI Open Juried Exhibition, Warwick Center for the Arts, 2017
Surface Tensions, University of RI Main Campus Gallery w/ Art League Rhode Island, Kingston, RI, 2016.

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center-Bergen, Montvale, NY, USA.
Nappi Wellness Institute, Syracuse, NY, USA.
Lancashire, United Kingdom, private collection.
Frosinone, Italy, private collection.
Fort Worth, TX, private collection.
Tacoma, WA, private collection.
Plainville, MA, private collection.
Tallahassee, FL, private collection.
Rochester, NY, private collection.
Stillwater, NY, private collection.

SELECTED COMMISSIONS

Snowy Reflections of Winter Rain, oil painting, Pawtucket, RI, private commission, residential, 2023.
Remembering Rainy Shenandoah Valley, oil painting, Attleboro, MA, private commission, residential, 2022.
Rainy Hike to Trolltunga Lookout, oil painting, Attleboro, MA, private commission, residential, 2022.
Sea Cliffs of Maine in Rain, oil painting, Plainville, MA, private commission, residential, 2022.
Rainy Sunset Through Trees Triptych, oil painting, East Greenwich, RI, private commission, residential, 2019.
Rainy Grain Field Triptych, oil painting, Wauwatosa, WI, oil painting, private commission, residential, 2018.
Rainy Bows Flow in All Colors, oil painting, Amherst, NH, private commission, counseling office, 2017.
Synchronization, oil painting, Stillwater, NY, private commission, living room, residential, 2016.
Beat of my Heart, oil painting, Ticonderoga, NY, private commission, residential, 2014.
Le Soleil du Monde, oil painting, Riverside, RI, private commission, medical waiting room, 2009.

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

Seekonk Artist Network Exhibition, HeARTspot Art Center & Gallery, East Providence, RI, 2023.
Land, Sea & Sky, Portsmouth Artists Guild, Portsmouth, RI, 2022.
Arts for Everyone Members Exhibition, Attleboro Arts Museum, Attleboro, MA, 2021-2022.
The Trailing Quarter: Art Produced in Quarantreen (virtual show), Art League RI, May 2020.
Art League RI Members Holiday/Winter Exhibition, ALRI Gallery, Hope Artist Village, Pawtucket, RI, 2019-20.
Art League RI Spring Members Exhibition, The Vets Gallery, Providence, RI, 2019.
Who We Are, Pawtucket Arts Collaborative Mill Gallery, Pawtucket, RI, 2018.
Art League RI Members Exhibition, Warwick Center for the Arts, Warwick, RI, 2018.
Max12 Exhibition, Pawtucket Arts Collaborative Mill Gallery, Pawtucket, RI, 2017.
EPAC Artist Members Inaugural Show, Heartspot Gallery, E. Providence, RI, 2017.
Art League Rhode Island's Associate Members Exhibition, Dryden Galleries, Providence, RI, 2017.
Members Gallery, Pawtucket Arts Collaborative Mill Gallery, Pawtucket, RI, 2016.

ART FESTIVALS, FAIRS, & OPEN STUDIOS

Clio Art Fair, New York, NY, fall 2023 (scheduled).
Paradise City Art Festival, Northampton & Marlboro, MA, 2022, 2023
CraftWestport, Westport, CT, 2023 (scheduled).
Seekonk Open Studios, Seekonk, MA, 2018, 2019, 2022.

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The Looff On Tour & Open Studios, East Providence, RI, 2020.

The Looff Art Festival, East Providence, RI, 2016, 2017.

Hunts Mills Festival, East Providence, RI, 2016.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Private Art Lessons & paint parties, East Providence, RI, 2017-present.

Design Through Destruction, Preservation Framer, North Attleboro, MA, 2023.

Designed from Destruction, workshop, URI Fine Arts Club, 2022.

Coloration Explorations: Exploring Colors & Their Impact, Fuller Creative Learning Center, 2018.

Where to Start: Appreciating Abstract Art, Adult Workshop, NR Modern Gallery, Middletown, RI, 2017.

Playing With Pointillism, Adult Art Workshop, NR Modern Gallery, Middletown, RI, 2017.

Creating with Clay, Children's Art Class, Fuller Creative Learning Center, East Providence, RI, 2017.

Great First Impressionists, Adult Art Class, Fuller Creative Learning Center, East Providence, RI, 2017.

Beyond Paint Splatters, Adult Art Class, Fuller Creative Learning Center, East Providence, RI, 2016.

Visiting Teaching Artist, Grades K-6 Summer Program, Seekonk, MA, 2016-2017.

Exploring Art Mediums, private studio lessons, East Providence, RI, 2014-16.

Art & multi-disciplinary skills, Champions Extended Learning, Seekonk & Norton, MA, 2010-2015

Teaching Assistant, Big & Bright Painting, Nature Drawing, Providence CityArts! for Youth, Providence, RI, 2008-2009

AmeriCorps Builds Lives Through Education (A.B.L.E.), Wellsville, NY, 2007-2008.

Arts & Crafts Instructor, Drawing & Painting, Delta Lake Conference Center, 2003, 2004

CURATORIAL, JURYING, PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES & AFFILIATIONS

Juror, *Light at the End of the Tunnel*, juried exhibition, HeARTspot Art Center, East Providence, RI, 2021.

Juror, *Art Category 2020 4-H Photo Fine Arts Show*, Warwick, RI (postponed due to COVID19).

Curator, *Ways of Working Water Exhibition* (4 artists), Central Public Library Gallery, Cranston, RI, 2019.

Curator, *In Transit International Exhibition*, The Vets Gallery, Art League Rhode Island, Fall 2017.

Guest Speaker, Invited Artist, East Providence Arts Council Meeting, East Providence, RI, Oct. 2016.

Art League RI, artist member, Communications & Exhibition Committees 2010-2020, Board Member 2017-2020.

Memberships: Pawtucket Arts Collaborative, East Providence Arts Council, Seekonk Artist Network,

Art League RI, Graphic Artists Guild, AIGA, Attleboro Arts Museum

PRESS & PUBLICATIONS

Goslow, Brian. "Capsule Previews," *Artscope Magazine*, 2023, March/April.

"Rainy skiescapes on display in North," Things to Do, *The Sun Chronicle*, 2023, Feb 23.

"Rainy days and getting through grief and loss with the healing power of art with artist Rachel Brask," *The Creative Spirits Podcast with Sheryl Benjy*. Episode 74, November 2022.

"East Providence Artist to Exhibit in Boston International Fine Art Show." *Reporter Today*, 2022 Oct 03.

Post, Linda. "Directors' Picks, Show Stoppers: Fall Marlborough." *Paradise City Arts Magazine*, Fall 2022.

"Art Matters: Episode 36" video, interviewed by Wayne Quackenbush, East Bay Television (EBTV) 2022, Aug 18.

[youtube.com/watch?v=mPmzZ6Vh2sA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mPmzZ6Vh2sA)

"No More Waffling: Forever a Burgundian," *Motif Magazine*, Providence, RI. 2021, December 1.

"Paint! Exhibit in Gallery 175," *Reporter Today*. 2020, February 27.

"Meet Local Artists with Looff On Tour." *The Valley Breeze*, 2020, July 30-Aug 5, 2019.

"Turning Truro in a Crossroads for the Arts." *Provincetown Banner*, Provincetown, MA. 2019, April 24.

"New Exhibit at Sprout Coworking: Rachel Brask." *Warren Times-Gazette*, Warren, RI. 2019, February 20.

"Seekonk Artist Open Studios," *Reporter Today*, Seekonk, MA. 2018, October 9.

"Check Out Rachel Brask's Artwork." *Boston Voyager*, Boston, MA. 2018, July 9.

"DeBlois Gallery features three artists' garden-inspired artwork," Herald News, 2018, April 5.

"BankRI Galleries to present works by Rachel Brask." *Woonsocket Call*, Woonsocket, RI. 2018, March 22.

Martesian, Paula. "Rachel Brask at BankRI Turks Head Gallery." *Gallery Night Providence*, 2017, March 24.

"Rachel Brask: Abstracted Rainy Moments Exhibition Catalog." *Samaritans of Rhode Island Forget-Me-Not Gallery*, 2017, June 30.

Decker, Carrie. "Rachel Brask - Abstracted Rainy Moments." *Motif Magazine*, Providence, RI. 2017, April 18.

Currier, Jennifer. "Abstracted Rainy Moments." *The Joyfulness Project*. 2017, 8 April.

"Top 5 Things to Do in RI This Weekend." *The Providence Journal*, 2017, April 6.

"Local contemporary artist's work shows at Pawtucket gallery." *East Providence Post*. 2017, April 6.

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“Samaritans of Rhode Island launches 40th anniversary year with exhibit and events.” *The Valley Breeze*, Pawtucket, RI. 2017, April 5-11.

Lawson, Rick. “Featured Artist: Rachel Brask.” Artist Spotlight, *East Providence Arts Council*, East Providence, RI. 2016, August.

EDUCATION

B.A. in Art, Houghton College, magna cum laude. Concentrations: Painting, Graphic Design, Photography. Minors: Writing, Spanish, Environmental Stewardship.

Rhode Island School of Design Continuing Education (RISD CE) coursework in The Business of Art, The Art of the Pitch, Online Marketing, Professional Practices of the Visual Arts, Oil Painting Technique Intensive.

Encaustic Workshops with Taleen Batalian and Cherie Mittenthal.

Alcohol Ink Workshop with Mary Wojtechowski.