# **John Sproul**

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### Education

1993 University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree in Studio Art with an Emphasis in Painting & Drawing.

### Solo Exhibitions

- As You Are. Current Works Contemporary Art, Salt Lake City, UT. Oct-Nov.
  - *UnderBelly.* The Gallery at Library Square, Salt Lake City, UT. Mar-Apr.
  - Walking the Dark. The Granary Art Center, Ephraim, UT. Feb-May.
- 2022 Here Between There. The Utah Museum of Contemporary Art, Salt Lake City, UT. Aug-Oct.
- 2021 Brother Be Gone. The Alice Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Sep-Nov.
- 2020 The Body in Paint. The Bountiful Davis Arts Center, Bountiful, UT. Nov-Dec.
  - Serenity Now! Nox Contemporary, Salt Lake City, UT. Sep-Jan 2021.
- **2019** *An Underness of Being.* The Gallery at Library Square, Salt Lake City, UT. Mar-Apr.
- **2017** *Body to Body.* Finch Lane Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Jan-Feb.
- 2016 Uncertain Certainties. Central Utah Art Center (CUAC), Salt Lake City, UT. Aug-Oct.
  - Blackened White. Sweet Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Jan-Feb.
- 2009 John Sproul. The Gallery at Library Square, Salt Lake City, UT. Jul-Sep.
  - New Work. Finch Lane Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Apr-May.
- **2008** A Question Beautiful. Kimball Art Center, Park City, UT. Aug-Nov.
  - New Work. Palmers Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Jul-Aug.
  - Lost & Found. Michael Berry Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Jan-Feb.
- 2004 John Sproul. Southside Gallery, Oxford, MS. Jan-Feb.
- 2003 John Sproul: 2003. Gallery 343, San Pedro, CA. Feb-Mar.

- 2002 New Paintings. Bert Green Fine Arts, Los Angeles, CA. Dec.
- **2001** *Three Explored Years.* Bradstater Gallery, Riverside, CA. Sep-Oct.

Icons of the Ordinary - Contemporary Life in The Individual. Brand Art Center, Glendale, CA. Aug-Sep.

- 1997 Slid by Side. Loge Art Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Feb.
- 1996 The Scratch of Skin. Gallery 303, Provo, UT. Feb.
- 1995 Uncertain Metropolis. The Gallery at Library Square, Salt Lake City, UT. Dec-Jan 96.

## **Two Person Exhibitions**

- 2013 To Be Unnamed. John Sproul & Lynn Kilpatrick. The Gallery at Library Square, Salt Lake City, UT. May-Jul.
- Jenn Harmon Allen & John Sproul. Rose Wagner Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Dec-Jan 2010.
- 2003 Wendy Sussman & John Sproul. Square Blue Art, Newport Beach, CA. Jun-Jul.
- 1997 Emily Plewe & John Sproul. Samuelson Gallery, Los Angeles, CA. Sep-Oct.
  Emily Plewe & John Sproul Recent Works. Springville Museum of Fine Art, Springville, UT. Mar.
- 1995 Emily Plewe & John Sproul. BF Larson Gallery, Provo, UT. May.

# **Selected Group Exhibitions**

- **2023** *Table,* Level Gallery, Brooklyn, NY. May.
  - Chromatic, Bountiful Davis Art Center, Bountiful, UT. Feb.
- **2022** Friends of Friends, Current Work, Salt Lake City, UT. Aug-Oct.

Modes of Thought & Vision, One Modern Art, Salt Lake City, UT. Jul-Aug.

GLAM. The Utah Museum of Contemporary Art, Salt Lake City, UT. Jun.

Within, Art Fluent, Boston, MA. May-Jun.

Beauteous Forms, KunstMatrix, DE. Apr.

Pollen Path. Lost Eden Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. March.

2021 Liminal. Verum Ultimum Art Gallery, Portland, OR. Jul-Aug.

90th. The Utah Museum of Contemporary Art, Salt Lake City, UT. Jul.

2020 Bookworks 2020. Utah Cultural Celebration Center, Salt Lake City, UT. Jan-Mar.

2019 Anthropocene Epoch Explored Through Art. Harris Fine Art Center, Provo, UT. Sep-Oct.

Liten. The Bountiful Davis Arts Center, Bountiful, UT. Sep-Oct.

The Body in Parts. BG Gallery, Santa Monica, CA. Sep-Oct.

Statewide. The Bountiful Davis Arts Center, Bountiful, UT. Aug-Sep.

Glow. The Utah Museum of Contemporary Art, Salt Lake City, UT. May-Jun.

Loss, Redemption & Grace. EBD4 Art Center, Chamblee, GA. May-Jun.

Camarones. Camaron Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. May.

Drawn. Manifest Gallery, Cincinnati, OH. Apr-May.

Metamorphosis. Bipolar Projects, Barcelona, Spain. Jan-Mar.

2018 Un Seul Grain De Riz. Galerie Metanoia, Paris, France. Dec-Jan 2019.

Suspend. Cloyde Snook Gallery, Alamosa, CO. Oct-Nov.

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Black Out. Ashton Gallery, San Diego, CA. Sep-Oct.

A Sense of Place. Gertrude Herbert Institute of Art, Augusta, GA. Sep-Oct.

Black White Metallic. Artless Bastard, Depre, Wl. Sep-Oct.

9x12. Dual Gallery, Budapest, Hungary. Jul-Aug.

Viewpoints 2018. Studio Montclair, Montclair, NJ. May-Jun.

Wide Open. Brooklyn Waterfront Art Center, Brooklyn, NY. Apr-May.

Clearly Human III. St Louis Artist Guild, St Louis, MO. Apr-May.

Visual Impressions 2018. Ryan James Fine Art, Kirkland, WA. Apr-May.

Abstraction at Large. Site:Brooklyn, Brooklyn, NY. Apr-May.

2017 Utah '17. Rio Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Nov-Jan 2018.

Paper West. Gittens Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Nov.

National Prize Show. Kathryn Schultz Gallery, Cambridge, MA. May-Jun.

Day Dreamers. BG Gallery, Santa Monica, CA. Apr-May.

Art on Paper. MFA Circle Gallery, Annaplois, MD. Mar-Apr.

National Drawing & Print Exhibit. Gormley Gallery, NDU, Baltimore, MS. Mar-Apr.

Huge Art Show. Mestizo Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Feb.

2016 Massively Small. J-Go Gallery, Park City, UT. Jul-Aug.

Retrieval of the Beautiful. The Painting Center, New York, NY. Jun-Jul.

Drawn. Manifest Gallery, Cincinnati, OH. Apr-May.

300 Plates. Art Access Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. May-Jun.

**2015** *300 Plates.* Art Access Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. May-Jun.

**2014** *30th Anniversary Exhibit.* Finch Lane Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Jul-Aug.

300 Plates. Art Access Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. May-Jun.

**2013** *Tin.* Rio Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Apr-May.

300 Plates. Art Access Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. May-Jun.

2012 The Herb & Dorothy Show. Nox Contemporary, Salt Lake City, UT. Dec-Jan 2013.

Honoring Utah Artists. Alpine Art Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Nov-Dec.

NordArt 2012. Kunstwerk Carlshutte, Budelsdorf, Germany. Jun-Sep.

300 Plates. Art Access Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. May-Jun.

Plastic Propaganda Project. Westminster Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Mar-Apr.

Works on Paper. Aswara Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Feb.

The Sketchbook Project. Brooklyn, NY. Apr-Sep.

2011 Drawing Connections. Siena Art Institute, Siena, Italy. Oct.

Lawn Gnomes Eat Your Heart Out. The Utah Museum of Contemporary Art, Salt Lake City, UT. May-Jun.

300 Plates. Art Access Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. May-Jun.

The Uganda Children's Art Project & Exhibition. 15th Street Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Apr-May.

**2010** *Prime.* Nox Contemporary, Salt Lake City, UT. Dec-Jan 2011.

2009 Not Just Another Pretty Face. The Utah Museum of Contemporary Art, Salt Lake City, UT. Dec.

Small Works. Kayo Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Dec-Jan 2010.

Final Show. Ruschman Gallery, Indianapolis, IN. Jul.

G3. Hot Wax Media, Salt Lake City, UT. May-Jun.

Offerings: A Social Experiment. PS Studios, Salt Lake City, UT. Feb.

**2008** *Gather 2.* Hot Wax Media, Salt Lake City, UT. Nov-Dec.

Group Show. Ruschman Gallery, Indianapolis, IN. Nov-Dec.

**2007** *To Gather.* Hot Wax Media, Salt Lake City, UT. Nov-Dec.

Group Show. Ruschman Gallery, Indianapolis, IN. Nov-Dec.

LightSpace. LightSpace Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Sep-Nov.

Utah 2007. Rio Grande Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Sep-Nov.

**2005** *Group Show.* A Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Nov.

Landscapes. A Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Apr-May.

Group Show. Bert Green Fine Art, Los Angeles, CA. Jan-Feb.

Myrtle Beach Collects. Burroughs-Chapin Art Museum, Myrtle Beach, SC. Jan-Feb.

2004 New Space. A Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Jun.

Group Show. Handsel Gallery, Hudson, NY. May.

2003 Winter Exhibition. The Painting Center, New York, NY. Nov-Dec.

CHI. Grand Central Art Center, Fullerton, CA. Jul-Aug.

Figurative Painting. Artspace Lima, Lima, OH. Jul-Aug.

Contemporary Art. Parchman Stremmel Galleries, San Antonio, TX. Jun-Jul.

Abstract Works. A Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Feb-Mar.

2002 Known & New. Parchman Stremmel Galleries, San Antonio, TX. Sep.

Art in the Yard. Gallery Now, Lemon Grove, CA. Jul.

BUG. Gallery Now, Lemon Grove, CA. Jul.

Winter Exhibition. Puna Contemporary Art, Puna, Hl. Jan-Mar.

City of Angels...Gates of Hell. The Advocate Gallery, Los Angeles, CA. Jan-Feb.

The Expansion Project. City Gallery, Los Angeles, CA. Jan-Apr.

2001 Pink Bubble Bath. Gallery 835, Los Angeles, CA. Dec.

Heck. Final. City Gallery, Los Angeles, CA. Nov-Jan 2002.

Wallworks. LA Artcore, Los Angeles, CA. Aug. Six California Painters. Bert Green Fine Art, Los Angeles, CA. Jul-Aug.

Living with LA Art – An Acquired Taste. El Pueblo Gallery, Los Angeles, CA. Jun-Jul.

Artshare 41. Artshare Warehouse Gallery, Los Angeles, CA. Mar-Apr.

Centered on the Center. Huntington Beach Art Center, Huntington Beach, CA. Feb..

Artshare 39. Artshare Warehouse Gallery, Los Angeles, CA. Jan-Feb

1998 Getty Underground. J Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA. Oct-Nov.

World Contemporary Art '98. California Center for Contemorary Art, Los Angeles, CA. Oct.

*12<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Exhibition.* 11 East Ashland Gallery, Pheonix, AZ. Apr-May.

1997 Invited artist of the day. Utah Arts Festival, Salt Lake City, UT. Jun..

1996 Abstraction in Utah. Dolores Chase Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. May.

72<sup>nd</sup> Utah Spring Salon. Springville Museum of Art, Springville, UT. Apr-May.

Shelters. Art Access Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Feb-Mar.

Over There. Gittins Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Jan-Feb.

1995 The Greener Grass Over There. Gallery 303, Provo, UT. Sep.

1994 Spring '94. Eccles Art Center, Ogden, UT. Nov-Dec.

Utah '94. Utah Museum of Fine Arts, Salt Lake City, UT. Jul-Sep.

1993 Spiritual & Religious Art of Utah. Springville Museum of Art, Springville, UT. Nov-Dec.

Black & White. Eccles Art Center, Ogden, UT. Nov-Dec.

1992 Union Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Oct-Nov.

View of Three, Upper Crust Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Feb-Mar.

1991 Nutcracker Suite Exhibit. The Utah Museum of Contemporary Art, Salt Lake City, UT. Nov-Dec.

Oxford House Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Oct-Nov. *Celebrating Young Artists*. Dolores Chase Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT. Jun.

### Residencies

- **2024** La Macina di San Cresci Artist Residency, Chianti, Italy. Apr.
- 2023 Buinho Artist Residency, Messejana, Portugal. Sep.

Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, VT. Jan.

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- 2022 Salt Lake Bids Farewell to John Sproul's Beloved Nox Contemporary. Southwest Contemporary Magazine, Santa Fe, NM. Scotti Hill. Oct 25.

Your Weekly 5x5: The New Enchanted West. "Here Between There" exhibit among top 5 picks of the week. Southwest Contemporary Magazine, Santa Fe, NM. Sep 8.

John Sproul's Rich Opportunity for Theatrical Speculation. 15 Bytes Magazine, Salt Lake City, UT. Geoff Wichert. Aug 24.

*Utah Museum of Contemporary Art: John Sproul, Bernard Meyers, Tobias Fike.* The Utah Review, Salt Lake City, UT. Aug.

- John Sproul, Lost & Found, in Brother Be Gone. 15 Bytes Magazine, Salt Lake City, UT. Geoff Wichert. Sep 27.
- John Sproul's Serenity Now! 15 Bytes Magazine, Salt Lake City, UT. Bea Hurd. Sep 15.

Body Language: Flesh, Failure and Phenomena in the Art of John Sproul. Essay. Darren Jones.

2019 Work included in Volume 14. Inda 14 Drawing Annual, Cincinnati, OH.

The Tangible & the Intangible in John Sproul & Nancy Starks. 15 Bytes Magazine, Salt Lake City, UT. Ann Poore. Apr 3.

**2018** Exhibition on Environmental Protection in the Dual Gallery. Eurostar Internet Magazine, Budapest, Hungary. Jul 17.

Cover Art. The Freshwater Review, Vol 21.

Cover Art. The Gateway Review – A journal of Magical Realism, Vol 1, Issue 4.

Work included. Studio Visit Magazine, Boston, MA., Vol 41.

Featured Artist – Publication of Series *To Be Named* with Prose by Lynn Kilpatrick. Western Humanities Review, Salt Lake City, UT. Spring Issue.

Featured Artist. Whitefish Review, Whitefish, MO. Winter/Spring Issue.

2017 Ut '17 Showcases the States Talent in Painting & Sculpture. 15 Bytes Magazine, Salt Lake City, UT. Geoff Wichert. Nov 29.

Cover Art. Superstition Review, Tempe, AZ. Issue 19

Inexhaustable Pleasure. Review of "John Sproul – Body to Body". 15 Bytes Magazine, Salt Lake City, UT. Geoff Wichert. Jan Issue.

- 2013 John Sproul & Lynn Kilpatrick @ City Library. 15 Bytes Magazine, Salt Lake City, UT. Geoff Wichert. June Issue.
- 2011 Program Finds Foster Parents for Contemporary Art. Fox 13 News, Salt Lake City, UT. Geoff Wichert. Jul 16.

Artists, Homeowners to showcase Lawn Art. Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City, UT. Dawn House. May 21.

Out of Africa, Kids Find Hope After Horrors of War. Article on The Uganda Children's Art Project & Exhibition. Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City, UT. Glen Warchol. Apr 20.

2010 Nox Contemporary Art Gallery. Review of the opening exhibit for Nox Contemporary. City Weekly, Salt Lake City, UT. Brian Staker. Dec 13.

Best of 2010 – Awarded the Foster Art Program Best New Art Idea. Salt Lake Magazine, Salt Lake City, UT.

Program Lets You Become a Foster Host for Artwork. Article on the Foster Art Program. Deseret News, Salt Lake City, UT. Cathy Lunch. Jul 29

2009 Salt Lake City's Foster Art Program Connects Art Lovers with Artists. Article on the Foster Art Program. (Founded and Directed by John Sproul). Salt Lake Tribune, Salt Lake City, UT. Dec 12.

*The Foster Art Program.* Article on the Foster Art Program. (Founded and Directed by John Sproul).15 Bytes Magazine, Salt Lake City, UT. Sep Issue.

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2008 My Inbox News: Review of Exhibit "A Question Beautiful. Park City TV, Park City, UT. Oct 22.

John Sproul - New Work. City Weekly, Salt Lake City, UT. Jul 17.

2004 Artist Profile – John Sproul. Art Limited Magazine, San Francisco, CA. Oct/Nov p19.

Subtle Strength Showcased at Southside. Review of exhibition Subtle Strength. Oxford Town, Oxford, MS. Jan 8-14.

Art Throb - Subtle Strength Showcased at Southside. Review of exhibition Subtle Strength. The Commercial Appeal, Memphis, TN. Jan 9.

2003 Artist Profile – John Sproul. Art Limited Magazine, San Francisco, CA. Oct/Nov p19.

The Harmony of John Sproul. Picklebird Art Magazine, Los Angeles, CA. Carol Es. Jun

Out Of Space. Review Of Solo Exhibition John Sproul:2003. Press Telegram, Long Beach, CA. Jan 17.

2002 Art List: John Sproul: New Paintings, Circle Elephant Art, Los Angeles, CA. Black Book Magazine, NY, NY. Winter 2002/03.

John Sproul: New Paintings, Circle Elephant Art, Los Angeles, CA. Absolutearts.com, Columbus, OH. Dec 4.

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- 1997 Utah Painting and Sculpture, Gibb Smith, Publisher, Salt Lake City, UT. Vern G. Swanson, Robert S. Olpin, William C. Seifret. P 271.
- 1996 The Many Shapes Of Shelter. Review of the Group Exhibition Shelters. The Catalyst Magazine, Salt Lake City, UT. Brook Tarrant. Mar.

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- 1994 *Utah '94*. Review of the exhibition *Utah '94*. **Deseret News**, Salt Lake City, UT. Richard P. Christenson, Jul 3.
- 1991 New Nutcracker Perspective. Review of the group exhibition Nutcracker Suite Exhibition. The Daily Utah Chronicle, Salt Lake City, UT. Linda Engh. Nov 22.

#### **Lectures/Panel Discussions**

- 2017 Art, Life And Society. Lecture. Snow College, Ephraim,. Nov 9.
- 2013 The Creative Life. Lecture. University Of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. Apr 11.

- 2012 Relationships In Red. A Panel Discussion Held In Conjunction With The Play Red (About Mark Rothko). Salt Lake Acting Company, Salt Lake City, UT. Feb 26.
- 2011 The State of Contemporary Art in Utah. Panel Discussion. Westminster College, Salt Lake City, UT. Dec 1.

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