

# David Jay Spyker – Curriculum Vitae

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## **Birthplace:**

Rochester, New York (Now residing in Kalamazoo, Michigan)

## **Education:**

While David Jay Spyker studied locally for brief periods, he is mostly self-taught.

## **Exhibitions:**

### **Solo Exhibitions:**

2012 - Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA

2003/04 - South Bend Museum of Art; South Bend, Indiana, USA

2002 - Mixed Media Gallery, Douglas, Michigan, USA  
- "Mythos", Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA

2001 - Wood Street Gallery and Sculpture Garden; Chicago, Illinois, USA

1999 - The Nines Gallery; Holland, Michigan, USA

1996 - Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA  
- Dumont Gallery; Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA

### **Group Exhibitions** (not including art competitions):

2011 - "Made in America: Contemporary and Historical Art From the Permanent Collection",  
South Bend Museum of Art, South Bend, Indiana, USA

2010 - "Railroad Days", Portage District Library, Portage, Michigan, USA

2007 - Constance Petter Gallery, Saugatuck/Douglas, Michigan, USA

2006 - Joyce Petter Gallery, Saugatuck/Douglas, Michigan, USA

2005 - Joyce Petter Gallery, Saugatuck/Douglas, Michigan, USA

2004 - Mixed Media Gallery, Douglas, Michigan, USA

2002 - Mixed Media Gallery, Douglas, Michigan, USA  
- 2002 Biennial, Fort Wayne Museum of Art; Fort Wayne, Indiana, USA

2001 - "Small Packages" Wood Street Gallery and Sculpture Garden; Chicago, Illinois, USA  
- "Past/Present: Twenty-Year Retrospective Exhibition", Fontana Festival of Music and Art; Shelbyville,  
Michigan, USA

2000 - "Past as Prologue: Emerging Landscape Painters" (three-person show), Grand Rapids Art Museum;  
Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA  
- "Small Packages", Wood Street Gallery and Sculpture Garden; Chicago, Illinois, USA  
- "Petite Art by Colossal Artists", Small Format Invitational, The Nines Gallery; Holland, Michigan, USA

1999 - "Petite Art by Colossal Artists", Small Format Invitational, The Nines Gallery; Holland, Michigan, USA  
- "Prairie Narratives", 1999 Fontana Festival of Music and Art; Shelbyville, Michigan, USA  
- "Realms of the Subconscious: Post-Modern Surrealists" (five-person show), The Art Center of  
Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA

- 1998 - "Seen from the Other Side (visions)" (four person show), Carlson Tower Gallery, North Park University; Chicago, Illinois, USA
- 1998 - The Nines Gallery; Holland, Michigan, USA
- 1997 - Dumont Gallery; Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA
- 1996 - Dumont Gallery; Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA
- 1995 - Dumont Gallery; Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA  
- Inner Images Gallery (two person show); Portage, Michigan, USA
- 1994 - John Fetzer Institute, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts' Corporate Benefactor Program
- 1993 - Allied Capital Corporation, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts' Corporate Benefactor Program  
Ongoing Since 1995 - Kalamazoo Institute of Arts' "Artreach" traveling exhibit program; Southwest Michigan

**Competitions:**

- 2011 - Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA  
- Michigan Artist's Competition, Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA
- 2010 - Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA  
- West Michigan Regional Competition, Lowell Area Arts Council, Lowell, Michigan, USA
- 2009 - Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA  
- Michigan Artist's Competition, Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA
- 2006 - Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA  
- Michigan Artist's Competition, Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA  
- Kalamazoo Area Show, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA
- 2005 - Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA
- 2003 - Michigan Artist's Competition, Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA  
- Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA
- 2002 - Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA
- 2001 - Michigan Artist's Competition, Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA  
- Kalamazoo Area Show, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts; Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA  
- Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA
- 2000 - Kalamazoo Area Show, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts; Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA  
- The Holland Friends of Art 37th Annual Exhibition, Holland Area Arts Council; Holland, Michigan, USA  
- 72nd Annual Regional Fine Art Competition, Muskegon Museum of Art, Muskegon, Michigan, USA  
- Michigan Artist's Competition, Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA  
- Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA
- 1999 - Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA  
- Michigan Artist's Competition, Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA
- 1998 - Paw Paw Art Association, Juried Area Show; Paw Paw, Michigan, USA  
- Michigan Artist's Competition, Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA  
- Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA  
- National Juried All Media Exhibition, Paint Creek Center for the Arts; Rochester, Michigan, USA
- 1997 - 10th Annual Michigan Art Competition, Holland Area Arts Council; Holland, Michigan, USA  
- Michigan Artist's Competition, Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA  
- Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA  
- Kalamazoo Area Show, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts; Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA

- 1996 - 9th Annual Michigan Art Competition, Holland Area Arts Council; Holland, Michigan, USA
- Paw Paw Art Association, Juried Area Show; Paw Paw, Michigan, USA
- Regional Fine Arts Competition, Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA
- Kalamazoo Area Show, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts; Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA
  
- 1995 - 8th Annual Michigan Art Competition, Holland Area Arts Council; Holland, Michigan, USA
- 2nd Biennial "Hands-On!" Exhibit, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts; Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA
  
- 1994 - Kalamazoo Area Show, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts; Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA
- 1993 - 1st Biennial "Hands-On!" Exhibit, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts; Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA

### **Awards and Honors:**

- 2006 - The Martin Maddox Prize for Imaginative Realist Painting, Kalamazoo Area Show, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo, Michigan, USA
  
- 2003 - Artist's Honorarium, South Bend Museum of Art; South Bend, Indiana, USA
  
- 2002 - Artist's Honorarium, 2002 Biennial, Fort Wayne Museum of Art; Fort Wayne, Indiana, USA
  
- 2001 - First Place, Carnegie Center for the Arts, Regional Fine Arts Competition; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA  
(Juror: Vince Torano, Professor of Art, Western Michigan University)
  
- 2000 - Pharmacia Corporation Purchase Award, 21st Michigan Artist's Competition, Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA
- Award of Merit, The Holland Friends of Art 37th Annual Exhibition, Holland Area Arts Council; Holland, Michigan, USA
- Artist's Honorarium, Grand Rapids Art Museum; Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA
  
- 1999 - Second Place, Carnegie Center for the Arts, Regional Fine Arts Competition; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA (Juror Karl H. Wolter, Professor of Art, Michigan State University)
- Award of Merit (4th place), 20th Michigan Artist's Competition, Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, MI (Juror: Tara Robinson, Curator/Coordinator of Exhibitions, Detroit Institute of Arts)
  
- 1998 - Award for Artistic Excellence (2nd place), 19th Michigan Artist's Competition, Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA (Juror: Tim Lowly, Artist and Educator)
- First Place, Carnegie Center for the Arts, Regional Fine Arts Competition; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA (Juror: Mark A. Francisco, Director, Midland Art Center; Midland, MI)
- Artist's Honorarium, North Park University; Chicago, Illinois, USA
  
- 1997 - Best of Show, Holland Area Arts Council, 10th Annual Michigan Art Competition; Holland, Michigan, USA (Juror: Jerry Peart, Artist)
- Award of Merit, 18th Michigan Artist's Competition Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA (Juror: Julia Muney Moore, Director of Exhibitions and Artist Services Indianapolis Art Center)
  
- 1996 - Second Place, Paw Paw Art Association Juried Area Show; Paw Paw, Michigan, USA (Juror: Martha Mayer-Erlebacher, Artist and Educator)

### **Collections:**

- Grand Rapids Art Museum; Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA
- Carnegie Center for the Arts; Three Rivers, Michigan, USA
- Art Center of Battle Creek; Battle Creek, Michigan, USA
- South Bend Museum of Art; South Bend, Indiana, USA
- Pfizer Corporation
- Numerous private collections nationwide.