

Jenny Olsen

Jenny Olsen is a MFA 2D painting student at Massachusetts College of Art and Design. She will be graduating in May 2022. Before entering MassArt, she worked full time and painted on her own. Jenny paints, draws and does printmaking. Mainly, she is a painter in oil. She loves the versatility of the medium and the physical sensation of applying oil paints on canvas.

Jenny is a visual artist of both figures and abstracts. She started out doing mostly abstract. Around 2015, she transitioned her work into figurative because of her craving for the physical presence of human body in her work. The recent recurring themes in her work are time/birthday cakes, space, ghosts and herself.

Jenny is the "Best in Show" winner of the Cambridge Art Association's National Prize Show in 2015. She has shown her work in solo, small group, juried and invitations shows. While at MassArt, her work was chosen for "Fresh Faces", an annual exhibition selected from the works by art students for the northeast US, at Abigail Ogilvy Gallery in Spring 2021.

Resume

Recent Solo Exhibitions

- "New Trike", Paula Estey Gallery, 2016
- "Suddenly Pink", Galatea Fine Art, 2013
- "Arigato", Healy Gallery, Cambridge Health Alliance, 2012
- "White Heat", Galatea Fine Art, 2011

Two Person Exhibition

- "Same Same But Different", Paula Estey Gallery, 2017

Selected Juried Exhibitions

- "Fresh Faces", Abigail Ogilvy Gallery, Boston, 2021
- "National Prize Show", Cambridge Art Association, 2015. (**Best in Show prize winner**)
- "New England Collective", Galatea Fine Art, 2015.
- "National Prize Show", Cambridge Art Association, 2012
- "Red", Cambridge Art Association/Harvard Coop, 2011

Selected Group/Invitational Exhibitions

- "The Art of Storytelling", Doran Gallery, Massachusetts College of Arts and Design, 2021.
- "Heritage", New Gallery Concert Series, CAA/New School of Music, 2017
- "White on White", Paula Estey Gallery, 2016
- "Four Points of View", Four person show, Boston City Hall Gallery, 2015
- "Hallspace Drawing Project", Hallspace Gallery, 2014

"Annual Artist Members Exhibition", Gallery263, 2013-2018, 2020-2021
"Reclaimed States", Four-person Show, University Place, 2012
"Patrick Carter and Friends", Endicott College, 2011

Collections and Commissions

US, Switzerland, Taiwan

Publications

Full page image, New England Home, Jan-Feb 2018, p. 117
Cover art, Auscultations, 2012
Artscope Blast, Oct 13, 2011
Boston Globe, Jan 4, 2011

Professional Affiliations

Cambridge Art Association, Artist Member
Gallery263, Cambridge, MA., Artist Member
Harvard Musical Association, Member

Residency/Program

Art-in-Amsterdam, Amsterdam, Netherlands, 2009

Education

Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Boston, MFA Candidate, 2D Fine Art, 2022
School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Painting, Continuing Education
Vanderbilt University, Nashville, MLS



"Suddenly Pink", Galatea Fine Art, 2013