

BIOGRAPHY

Sam Zumian was born in 1953. As an artist he builds his own understanding of life and illustrates it through his art. Over ten years he has mastered paintings and black-and-white art. With the enthusiasm, dedication and drive that Sam Zumian has, he is able to make his own creative interpretation of reality. He makes his own findings in life and discovers his own ideas of law. In his oil paintings, he focuses on claiming of the aesthetics of the unconscious and the laws of nature which lies beneath it. He does not waste time on the plot, instead uses one or two figures for crucial forces. All the art that Sam Zumian has painted, they all share something deviously dreadful, clear and mysterious at the same time.

Biography & Education

1953 Born in Yerevan, Republic of Armenia
1969-1973 Student of Terlemezyan College, Yerevan Armenia
1973-1979 Student of Fine Art Institute, Yerevan Armenia
1981 Married Verjine Ashakyan (Sons: Vardan and Narek)
1981 Apprenticeship etching, Moscow-Senezh (Studios)
1982-1984 Scholarship of USSR Artists Union
1982 Member of USSR Artists Union
1991 Member of UNESCO
2001-Present: Lives in Los Angeles, California (VIP Invitation of US Government)

Group Exhibitions

2009 Glendale, California "Man's Inhumanity to Man" Brand Library
2008 Paris, France, Orangeri Du Luxembourg "Musee D'art Moderne D'Armenie"
2005 Florence, Italy "Florence Biennial"
2003 Glendale, California "From Ararat to America" Forest Lawn Museum
2000 Kiev, Ukraine "5th International Art Festival" Sovi Art Gallery
1997 Athens, Greece "Collection of Mrmenian National Museum of Fine Arts"
1996 Cairo, Egypt "6th International Biennial"
1994 Paris, France "Triennial D'Estamps-94"
1992 Tokyo Japan "TIAS" International Art Show
1989 Lodz, Poland Biennial "Male Formy Grafiki Lodz 89"

Private Exhibitions

2008 Los Angeles, CA "Left Coast Galleries"
2007 Los Angeles, CA "Left Coast Galleries"
2004 Los Angeles, CA "Old Masters" Galley
2001 Yerevan, Armenia "Modern Art Museum"
2001 Paris, France "Gallery Yvart"
2000 Yerevan, Armenia "Artists exhibit hall" "20 years after the first one"

1996 Athens, Greece "Cultural Center"
1996 Yerevan, Armenia "National Museum of Fine Art"
1995 Normandy, France "Musee Edgar Chahine"
1993 Yerevan, Armenia "Russian-art Museum"
1994 Lyon, France "Villeurbann Cultural Center"
1994 St. Petersburg, Russia "Delta" Gallery
1990 Kassel, Germany "Velke" Gallery
1983 Amsterdam, Netherlands "Amstelveen Museum"

International Museums

National Art Gallery of Yerevan, Armenia
Modern Art Museum of Armenia
Pushkin Museum of Fine Arts in Moscow, Russia
Asian Art Museum of Moscow, Russia
Art Museum of Sochi, Russia

Awards & Prizes

2009 Glendale, CA "2009 Diamond Award for achievement in Arts"
2005 Florence, Italy "Award of Lorenzo IL Magnifico Medici"
1989 Poland Biennial "Make Formy Grafiki Lodz 89" Diploma
1985 Republic of Armenia "Best Young Artist"
1982 Moscow, Manege Exhibit Hall "The Youth of Country" Diploma

Certificates of Recognition

California Legislature Assembly "Certificate of Recognition" Assembly Member, Paul Krikorian
County of Los Angeles "Commendation" Supervisor of Fifth District, Michael D Antonovich
California State Senate "Certificate of Recognition" Senator, Carol Liu
US Congress "Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition" Member of Congress, Adam Schiff
City of Glendale "Mayor's Commendation" Mayor, Frank Quintero

Magazines

THE "LA's Monthly Magazine for The Arts" October 2008
Art News "How to Start Collecting" January 2008
Art Ltd/ "West Coast Art + Design" January 2008
Pasadena Showcase House of Design 2007