

David C. Driskell

Born: Eatonton, Georgia, 1931

EDUCATION

Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Skowhegan, ME., 1953

Howard University, Washington, D.C., B.F.A., 1955

Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., M.F.A., 1962

Rijksbureau voor Kunsthistorisches Documentatie, The Hague, Holland, 1964

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

Evolution: Five Decades of Printmaking by David C. Driskell, The David C. Driskell Center, University of Maryland, College Park, MD, October 17, 2007 - March 14, 2008

Traveling to: Wichita Art Museum Inc., Wichita, KS, High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA, Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME, Harvey B. Gantt for Afro-American Cultural Center, Charlotte, NC, Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art, Hartford, CT, Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, Birmingham, AL

David Driskell: Painting Across the Decade (1996-2006), Center for Maine Contemporary Art, Rockport, ME., 2006.

Traveling to: DC Moore Gallery, New York; Flint Institute of Arts, Flint, MI.; and Hampton University Museum, Hampton, VA., 2006-2007

David C. Driskell: Fragments of Color, The Art Gallery curated by Scott Habes, University of Maryland, College Park, MD., 2006

Hampton University Museum, Hampton, VA., 2007

DC Moore, New York, NY, 2003

Stella Jones Gallery, New Orleans, LA., 2003

Noel Gallery, Charlotte, NC, 2002

Sherry Washington Gallery, Detroit, MI., 2002

Echoes: The Art of David Driskell, curated by Adrienne Childs at University of Maryland Art Gallery, College Park, MD., 1998

Narratives of African American Art and Identity: The David C. Driskell Collection, curated by Juanita Holland and Terry Gips at University of Maryland Art Gallery, College Park, MD., 1998

Bomani Gallery, San Francisco, CA, 1997

Sherry Washington Gallery, Detroit, MI., 1995

Foster-Tanner Fine Arts Gallery, Florida A&M University, Tallahassee, FL., 1994

Diggs Gallery, Winston Salem State University, Winston-Salem, NC, 1994

Bomani Gallery, San Francisco, CA, 1993

Sherry Washington Gallery, Detroit, MI., 1992

Pellon Gallery, Washington, DC, 1990

Fisk University Museum, Nashville, TN., 1987

Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT., 1981

Foundry Gallery, Washington, DC, 1980

David Driskell: A Survey, major retrospective with catalog at University of Maryland Art Gallery, College Park, MD., 1980

COLLECTIONS

American Academy of Arts and Letters, New York, NY
Arkansas Fine Arts Center, Little Rock, AK
Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, MD
Bates College, Lewiston, ME
Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham, AL
Brooks Memorial Gallery, Memphis, TN
Center for Maine Contemporary Art, Rockport, ME
Corcoran Museum of Art, Washington, DC
High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA
National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC
Oakland Museum of Art, Oakland, CA
Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME
San Diego Fine Arts Gallery, San Diego, CA
Springfield Art Museum, Springfield, MO
Whitney Museum of Art, New York, NY

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Distinguished University Professor, University of Maryland, College Park, MD., 1995 – 1998. Upon retirement continues to hold title as emeritus.
Chair, Department of Art, University of Maryland, College Park, MD., 1978-1983
Professor of Art, University of Maryland, College Park, MD., 1977-1998
Adjunct professor, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN., 1975-1976
Visiting professor, Bates College, Lewiston, ME., 1973
Visiting professor, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME, Spring Term, 1973
Visiting professor, Institute of African Studies, University of Ife (now Obafemi Awolowo University), Ile-Ife, Nigeria, 1970
Professor of art and chairman, Department of Art, Fisk University, Nashville, TN., 1966-1977
Associate professor of art, Howard University, Washington, DC, 1962-1966
Assistant professor of art, Talladega College, Talladega, AL., 1955-1962

SELECTED AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

The David C. Driskell Center opens at the University of Maryland, College Park, MD., 2007
Brandywine Achievement Award, Brandywine Workshop, Philadelphia, PA., 2006
Special Honoree, 16th Annual James A. Porter Colloquium, Howard University, Washington, DC, 2005
Lifetime Achievement Award, The Links Incorporated, Prince George's County, MD., 2003
MECA Award for National Leadership, Maine College of Art, Portland, ME., 2002
David C. Driskell Center for the Study of the Visual Arts and Culture of African Americans and the African Diaspora opened at University of Maryland, College Park, MD., 2001
National Humanities Medal awarded by President Clinton, Washington, DC, 2000
President's Medal, University of Maryland, College Park, MD., 1997

PUBLICATIONS

David C. Driskell: Artist and Scholar by Julie L. McGee (Petaluma, CA: Pomegranate). Monograph published 2006.
Hidden Heritage: The Roots of Black American Painting, a film for the Arts Council of Great Britain narrated by David C. Driskell, premieres in London 1990.