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JAY STERN

EDUCATION

2013-15 MFA in Arts Leadership, Seattle University

2009-13 BFA in Painting, University of Cincinnati - College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning

SOLO AND TWO PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2025 *The Return is Welcome*, Andrew Reed Gallery, Miami, FL

2024 *Slow Opening*, NOON Projects, Los Angeles

2024 *Awning*, Grant Wahlquist Gallery, Portland, Maine

2023 *Placing* (Two Person show with Jean Blackburn), Turley Gallery, Hudson, New York

2022 *Middle Bay*, NOON Projects, Los Angeles, CA

2020 *I Remember Feeling Far*, Specialist Gallery, Seattle, Washington

GROUP EXHIBITIONS AND FAIRS

2025 *A Certain Form of Hell*, KARMA, Thomaston, Maine

2025 *Family Jewels*, Hexum Gallery, Montpelier, Vermont

2025 Dallas Art Fair, Andrew Reed Gallery, Dallas, Texas

2024 *As We Are*, curated by Sayantan Mukhopadhyay, Portland Museum of Art, Portland, Maine

2024 *Wild Light*, Hewn Oaks Residency curated by Lights Out Gallery, Lovell, Maine

2023 *Home*, Caldbeck Gallery, Rockland, Maine

2022 *Interior*, Center for Maine Contemporary Art, Rockland, Maine

2022 *The More the Merrier*, Grant Wahlquist Gallery, Portland, Maine

2022 *The Container Garden*, Sears Peyton Gallery, New York, NY

2021 *Parts of an Immense Whole; 9 Painters in conversation with the work of Joseph A. Fiore*, Portland, Maine

2021 *In here*, studio e Gallery, Seattle, Washington

2020 Admirational Invitational, studio e Gallery, Seattle, Washington

2020 Deconstructed Art Fair, Specialist Gallery, Seattle, Washington

2019 Winter Salon, Koplín Del Rio, Seattle, Washington

2018 *Vatican*, studio e Gallery, Seattle, Washington

2013 *The Love Farm Collective*, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio

2012 *Recent Works by Jay Stern and Catherine Richards*, Parlour, Cincinnati, Ohio

2012 *Recent works by Jay Stern & Chris Schimmel*, Smartfish Studios, Cincinnati, Ohio

PRESS/PUBLICATIONS

Untapped Journal Issue #3, Living Arrangements, Written by Jesse Dorris, Editor-in-chief, Tiffany Jow. October 2025.

www.untappedjournal.com

Booooooom, Jay Stern Contemplates The Dynamics of Interstitial Spaces. August, 2025.

booooooom.com

NOON Projects, Between Presence and Absence: Sayantan Mukhopadhyay Interviews Jay Stern. January 2025.

NOON Projects

Portland Press Herald, Meet the 14 emerging Maine artists in the Portland Museum of Art's 'As We Are', Written by Megan Gray. October 2024.

Portland Press Herald

Two Coats of Paint, Jay Stern's psychological realism, Contributed by Mark Wethli. August 2024.

Two Coats of Paint

Portland Press Herald, Art review: On the surface, the new exhibit of painter Jay Stern's work is beautiful Maine pastorate, Written by Jorge Arango. Maine. 2024.

[Portland Press Herald](#)

Artsin Square Magazine, Artist Feature: Issue #6, Fall 2024.

[Artsinsquare.com](#)

Boston Art Review, What to See at New England Galleries this Summer, Written by Karolina Hać. 2024.

[Boston Art Review](#)

Art Verge, Jay Stern's New Paintings Capture Maine's Landscapes Through His Unique Queer Perspective, Interview and Writing by Yannis Kostarias. 2024.

[ArtVerge.com](#)

Art Maze Mag, Collective Volume Edition 34-37, 2024.

[ArtMazeMag.com](#)

Art New England, 10 Emerging New England Artists, Interview by Maureen Canney. 2024.

[ArtNewEngland.com](#)

Paquette, Brian. "Outside In, Interiors Born from Nature." Montlake Shade Project, pp. 82. Print.

[Outside In Book](#)

Decor Maine, Jay Stern: Perspectives on Place. Interview by Suzette McAvoy. Maine. 2023.

[DecorMaine.com](#)

Portland Press Herald, Each of four fall shows worth a visit to Center for Maine Contemporary Art. Written by Jorge S. Arango. Maine. 2022.

[PortlandPressHerald.com](#)

Booooooom, Artist Spotlight: Jay Stern, Written by Anna Schneider. Vancouver, Canada. 2022.

[booooooom.com](#)

Aeqai, I Remember Feeling Far, Interview by Hannah Leow. Cincinnati, Ohio. 2020.

[Aeqai.com](#)

The Stranger, The Top 15 New Pioneer Square Art Shows. Written by Jasmyne Keimig. Seattle, Washington. 2020.

[TheStranger.com](#)

The Stranger, Jay Stern: I Remember Feeling Far. Written by Jasmyne Keimig. Seattle, Washington. 2020.

[TheStranger.com](#)

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Ogunquit Museum of American Art, Ogunquit, Maine

Fidelity Art Collection, Boston, Massachusetts

James Castle House Collection, City of Boise, Idaho

U.S. Bank Center at Cedar Hall, Seattle, Washington

AWARDS AND RESIDENCIES

2024 The Elizabeth Greenshields Foundation Grant

2024 Hewnoaks Resident, Lovell, Maine

2024 James Castle House Resident, Boise, Idaho

2013 Director's Choice Award, Senior Show (Reed Gallery), University of Cincinnati

LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

2025 Lecture: Artists in Conversation – Ann Craven and Jay Stern at Portland Museum of Art, Maine

2024 OUTMaine x Center for Contemporary Art's Virtual Artist Talk Mini Series