

## **JEANNE BURRIS JOHNSON**

### **Contemporary Visual Artist**

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### **Artistic Focus**

Jeanne Burris Johnson creates high-contrast, narrative-driven compositions that blend photorealism, pop art, and mixed media.

### **Education & Training**

Life Drawing 1, Macomb Community College, 1998

Basic Design, Macomb Community College, 1998

Graphic Design 1, St. Clair County Community College, 2013

Various workshops with regional artists (mixed media, glass, and experimental techniques)

### **Selected Exhibitions**

Manifest Gallery – Cincinnati, OH

Photoreal: A FotoFocus Biennial Project, 2016

MEA S13 Annual Retrospective (Publication Feature), 2023

Detroit Artists Market – Detroit, MI

Group Exhibitions, 2016–2023

Whitdel Arts – Detroit, MI

Juried Group Exhibition, 2017

Studio 1219 – Port Huron, MI

Art of Our Women, 2016 — People's Choice Award

Multiple juried and invitational exhibitions, 2014–2020

East Side Art Show – Grosse Pointe, MI

Juried Group Show at The Ardmore Café, 2016

Port Huron Museum of Arts & History – Port Huron, MI

Special Feature Exhibit, 2019

### **Awards & Grants**

\$30,000 Grant – Main Street America & American Express Backing Small Business, 2023  
(for New Century Art Gallery)

Multiple successful grants awarded for programs and operations at Studio 1219

Fundraising lead for Veterans' Program and youth mentorship initiatives

People's Choice Award – Art of Our Women, Studio 1219, 2016

### **Professional Experience**

*Co-Founder, Owner, and Gallerist, New Century Art Gallery, Marine City, MI | 2020–2024*

- Curated exhibitions
- Developed artist talks and business-of-art sessions
- Led all marketing and promotional strategy

- Designed and implemented virtual exhibitions and augmented reality experiences
- Produced downloadable artist-led video classes
- Created and managed website through GoDaddy and Squarespace
- Secured \$30,000 grant and launched community programs
- Managed gallery operations and represented artists

*Director of Programs & Operations, Studio 1219, Port Huron, MI | 2017–2020*

- Developed and managed art education programs, supervised art instructors, oversaw student services, and coordinated private - Managed programs, marketing, membership, and operations for 150 artists
- Led a team of 6 staff and 10 instructors
- Curated exhibitions; led artist talks and professional development
- Produced downloadable artist-led video classes
- Led grant writing, event planning, and public outreach

*Gallery Associate, Studio 1219 | 2012–2017*

- Assisted with installations, public events, and daily operations
- Supported youth education and sales

*Freelance Web & Marketing Consultant | Ongoing*

- Developed websites and marketing for artists and creative businesses
- Provided branding guidance, content strategy, and promotional planning

## **Publications & Media Features**

MEA S13 Annual Retrospective, Manifest Gallery, 2023

ArtSpeak, American Watercolor Society Newsletter — Interview on pricing strategies

Featured in press for Art Studio 1219, Marine City Art Drift, New Century Art Gallery, and grant recognition.

## **Mentorship and Community Leadership Highlights**

- Co-Founder & Creator, Marine City Art Drift
- Founder, Veterans' Art Program — launched in 2019 at Studio 1219, continued through New Century Art Gallery, and remains active
- Founder, Young Artist Mentorship Program — ran from 2020 to 2024, guiding 10 teen artists through professional development and
- Wrote or secured full funding for each initiative through grants and community fundraising

## **Collections**

Artwork held in private collections across the United States

## **Skills & Tools**

Led a team of 6 staff and 10 instructors

### *Artistic Practice*

- Photorealistic painting, collage, mixed media, kiln-formed glass
- Visual storytelling, conceptual composition, series development
- Augmented reality and digital access tools

### *Digital & Technical*

- Website creation and content strategy (GoDaddy and Squarespace)
- Video production for downloadable art instruction
- Social media planning, branding, and campaign design
- Adobe Creative Cloud (Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator)
- Microsoft Office Suite & Google Workspace
- Virtual exhibitions, augmented reality tools, and digital installation prep