

# off the wall gallery

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## SHANE WOLF - Painting and Drawing

Shane Wolf is a direct heir of the momentous turning point in Art that was the Italian Renaissance: the representation of the human body in all its realism and glory. Through him, we can clearly grasp the might of several centuries of pictorial heritage. Both academic classicism inspires the painter's style that venerates beauty and poise and inspiration from a contemporary posture that conveys a ferocious twist to contorted flesh. Movement contributes equally to his realism and imbues his painted bodies with life. With no other painter, the word "dance" so spontaneously springs to mind: a sumptuous rhythm emerges, commanding the body to step back before returning in a powerful surge to the stage before our eyes. Something magical gives life and such a striking presence to Shane's works of art. His paintings no longer appear to be just a simple representation but part of a unique reality placed within our grasp. This realism is epitomized by the fact that Shane only paints from live models—a millennia-long tradition that has become very rare amongst contemporary artists. In his own words, "Working from Life should be priority number one. Everything else flows from there."

DO. EPIC. SHIT. Nothing less than these three little words constantly drives me further into my unknown. — Shane Wolf.

## EDUCATION

2012 / Russian Academy of Art, Florence, ITALY  
2012/ 1-month intensive training in constructive anatomy  
2005 - 2009 / Angel Academy of Art, Florence, ITALY  
MFA in Classical Painting and Portrait Painting  
1995 - 2000 / University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH  
Bachelor of Science in Design, Cum Laude

## AWARDS

2023 / First Place Drawing, Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY.  
2023 / First Place Drawing, Portrait Society of America, Reston, VA  
2023 / Best Nude Runner Up, Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY  
2016 - 2022 / Finalist (Figurative Category), Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY  
2015 / Boston Figure Painting Competition Grand Champion, Boston Academy of Realist Art, Boston, MA  
2015 / European Museum of Modern Art (MEAM) Purchase Award, Barcelona, SPAIN  
2013 / Gold Medal, Salon de l'Académie Européenne des Arts—France, Paris, FRANCE  
2013 / Silver Medal, Société des Artistes Français, Grand Palais, Paris, FRANCE  
2013 / Best Nude, Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY  
2013 / Best Nude Runner Up, Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY  
2012 / Gold Medal, Salon de Val du Cher, Saint Victor, FRANCE  
2012 / Bronze Medal, Société des Artistes Français, Grand Palais, Paris, FRANCE  
2012 / Finalist (nude & portrait categories), Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY  
2011/ Bronze Medal, Société Nationale des Beaux-Arts, Carrousel du Louvre, Paris, FRANCE  
2011 / Taylor Prize, Grand Palais, Paris, FRANCE  
2011 / Finalist (Nude Category) America China Oil Painting Artists' League (ACOPAL), New York, NY  
2010 / Nude Honorable Mention, Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY  
2009 / Hudson River Fellowship, New York, NY  
2008 / Hudson River Fellowship, New York, NY  
2008 / First Place, Florence Art Exhibition, Florence, ITALY  
2006 - 2008\*/ Art Renewal Center Scholarships, New York, NY (\*the only laureate to have ever won 3 consecutive scholarships).

## NOTABLE COLLECTIONS

The European Museum of Modern Art (Spain).  
The New Salem Museum (USA)  
Le Grand Palais and Carrousel du Louvre (France)  
The Bardini Museum (Italy)  
Culver Academies Museum (USA)  
Luxembourg Pinacothèque (Luxembourg)  
The Springville Museum of Art (USA)  
La Bibliothèque Nationale de France (France)  
The Art Renewal Center Collection (USA)  
The Lunar Codex "Polaris Collection" (the Moon!)

## MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS:

2022 / Retrospective: Shane Wolf: A Tour de Force, European Museum of Modern Art (MEAM), Barcelona, SPAIN.  
2020 / International Group Show, Luxembourg Pinacothèque, LUXEMBOURG.  
2020 / Eros: Your Body as an Excuse, European Museum of Modern Art (MEAM), Barcelona, SPAIN.  
2019 / International Group Show, Luxembourg Pinacothèque, LUXEMBOURG.  
2015 / Figurativas, European Museum of Modern Art (MEAM), Barcelona, SPAIN.  
2012 / Art en Capital, Salon des Artistes Français, Grand Palais, Paris, FRANCE.  
2011 / Art en Capital, Salon des Artistes Français, Grand Palais, Paris, FRANCE.  
2011 / 150th Anniversary Société Nationale des Beaux-Arts, Carrousel du Louvre, Paris, FRANCE.  
2010 / Art en Capital, Grand Palais, Paris, FRANCE.  
2009 / Annigoni's Legacy, Bardini Museum, Florence, ITALY.  
2009 / Hudson River Revival, Springville Art Museum, Springville, UT.

## SOLO SHOWS

2023 / Shane Wolf: Musings, Gallery Artismagna, Paris, FRANCE  
2021 / Shane Wolf: Solo Show, Gallery Artismagna, Paris, FRANCE  
2014 / Shane Wolf: Drawings, Gallery L'OEil du Prince, Paris, FRANCE  
2014 / Shane Wolf: Open Studio, Paris 11e, FRANCE  
2012 / Shane Wolf: The Eidolon Series, Gallery L'OEil du Prince, Paris, FRANCE  
2011 / Expressions: Shane Wolf, Gallery Stephan Woelk, Saint Paul de Vence, FRANCE  
2009 / Opere da Firenze III: 4 Years in Italy, Cincinnati, OH  
2008 / Shane Wolf: Drawings & Paintings, Florence, ITALY  
2008 / Opere da Firenze II, Cincinnati, OH  
2007 / Opere da Firenze, Cincinnati, OH

## GROUP SHOWS

2023 / ARC Salon Selected Works, Sotheby's, New York, NY  
2023 / Portrait Society of America's 25th Anniversary, Reston, VA  
2022 / Gravitas, Evoke Gallery, Santa Fe, NM  
2021 / Portes Ouvertes, Gallery Comme à l'Atelier, Paris, FRANCE  
2019 / 5 and Under, Arcadia Contemporary, Los Angeles, CA  
2018 / 5 and Under, Arcadia Contemporary, Los Angeles, CA  
2018 / Americans in Paris, Arcadia Contemporary, Los Angeles, CA  
2018 / Americans in Paris, Galerie L'Oeil du Prince, Paris, FRANCE  
2018 / 12 x 12, A Portrait Exhibition, FAA Gallery, Jersey City, NJ  
2018 / Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY

2016 / La Grande Chaumière, Peintures, Paris, FRANCE  
2015 / Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY  
2015 / Young Masters, Dialogues, Sphinx Gallery, London, UK  
2015 / London Art Fair, Cynthia Corbett Gallery, London, UK  
2014 / 110-year Anniversary of the Grande Chaumière, Paris, FRANCE  
2014 / The Quest for Excellence, Chinese Cultural Center, Paris, FRANCE  
2013 / ArtCité, Fontenay Sous Bois, FRANCE  
2013 / Salon de l'Académie Européenne des Arts—France, Paris, FRANCE  
2013 / Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY  
2013 / SR Brennen Galleries, Santa Fe, NM  
2013 / Egeli Gallery, Cape Cod, MA  
2012 / Scope: Art Takes Miami, Miami, FL  
2012/ Mysteriously Beautiful, Michel Haillard & Shane Wolf, Gallery Woelk, Saint Paul de  
Vence, FRANCE  
2012 / Amfitrions, Château de Montesquiou, Barcelona, SPAIN  
2012 / Salon du Val de Cher, Saint Victor, FRANCE  
2012 / Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY  
2011 / Small is Beautiful, Galerie L'OEil du Prince, Paris, FRANCE  
2011 / Chic Art Fair, Cité de la Mode et du Design, Paris, FRANCE  
2011 / America China Oil Painting Artists' League (ACOPAL), New York, NY  
2010 / Art Renewal Center Salon International, New York, NY  
2009 / Manifest NUDE, Cincinnati, OH  
2008 / Angel Academy of Art, Florence, ITALY  
2008 / Greenhouse Gallery International Salon, San Antonio, TX  
2008 / Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY  
2007 / Exclusive Italian Artists, Christchurch, NEW ZEALAND  
2007 / Angel Academy of Art, Florence, ITALY  
2007 / Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY  
2007 / Annigoni's Legacy: 10-Year Anniversary of the Angel Academy of Art, London, UK  
2007 / Afferato l'IDEA, St James Cathedral, Florence, ITALY  
2006 / Art Renewal Center International Salon, New York, NY  
2006 / Angel Academy of Art, Florence, ITALY  
2006 / Florencimento, Uffizi Center, Florence, ITALY