

# Will Karp

Photography • Printmaking • Painting
Mixed Media • Recycled Art • Book Arts

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## **Statement**

I have always used mixed media, printmaking, photography, and painting as a way of expressing myself in a tangible form. Being color-blind has posed some challenges, and has perhaps influenced my fascination with viewing my world and space foremost as combinations of patterns, shapes, and lines. My images reflect the dedication to finding the unique artistic aspect of simple objects at home or outdoors, natural or architectural, even the pavement I walk on. I find art all around me. I like to define "art" as the science of "mark-making." Every camera click, mouse stroke, brush movement, impression, drip, cut, crease, cement, smear, scratch, squeeze or splatter is an intentional effort at making marks that deliver a message in two or three dimensions. All forms of art offer the opportunity to take an idea, view it, capture it, and alter it to produce an effect that makes it unique. The possibilities of mark-making are endless.

## **Biography**

Hailing from New England, I worked for many years in engineering and business planning for the aerospace electronics industry, and looked forward to the time when I could focus on creating art. Before moving to Santa Fe in 2004 I operated a web design business which I continued there. In addition to painting, printmaking, photography, and book arts, I spend much of my time volunteering for several local service organizations. As past-president of the Santa Fe Book Arts Group and a participant in local art competitions, shows, and exhibits, I consider myself fortunate to share in the support of the arts community. The beauty of New Mexico also provides an extraordinary opportunity to view and experience art with a whole new perspective, while expanding and challenging my boundaries of creativity.

## **Arts Education**

Santa Fe Community College (intermedia, fine arts) New Horizons Computer Center (graphic arts, web design) University of Hartford (intaglio etching) Farmington Valley Arts Center (screen printing, drawing) Windsor Adult Arts (watercolor, drawing)

#### **Juried Exhibits**

- The Exquisite Corpse Exhibit Convention Gallery
- San Diego Art Walk Liberty Station
- Breaking The Block Exhibit, Convention Gallery
- New Mexico History Museum Shakespeare Exhibit
- Escondido Center for the Arts: 2nd Time Around Exhibit
- Banned Books Exhibit, Convention Gallery
- New Mexico Capital Art Foundation Book Arts Exhibit
- Ohio Craft Museum Book Arts Exhibit
- Pulp Sculptural Paper Arts, Convention Gallery
- Recycle Santa Fe Art Festival
- Tarnoff Art Gallery, Rowe, Book Arts Exhibit
- Santa Fe Community College Media Arts Exhibit
- Mesa Public Library Book Arts Exhibition
- Santa Fe Studio Art Tour
- Santa Fe Community College Fine Arts Gallery
- Santa Fe Southside Library Solo Exhibit
- Santa Fe City Hall Solo Exhibit
- Red Dot Gallery, Canyon Road Group Exhibits
- Wells Fargo Bank Gallery Solo Exhibit
- Museum of New Mexico Foundation Gallery Shops
- Back Street Bistro Exhibit
- Tybie Davis Satin Gallery/Santa Fe Public Library
- Fuller Art Center Exhibit and Gallery Shop

## **Degrees/Certifications**

AFA Santa Fe Community College (Fine Arts) BSME, Tufts University (Engineering) MBA, University of Hartford (Business) CIW, New Horizons (Graphics/Web Design)

## **Publications & Journals**

- Arts Integration, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition Routledge Press
- 500 Handmade Books Vol. 2 Lark Publications
- Santa Fe Literary Review
- Santa Fe Annual Manual
- Santa Fean Magazine
- Santa Fe Monthly
- THE Magazine
- Albuquerque Journal North
- Santa Fe Reporter
- Pasatiempo, Pasa Week

#### **Awards**

- Santa Fe Annual Recycle Fair Juried Art Exhibit
   2018 Second Place Award
- New Mexico State Fair
  - 2013 Second Place Award, Fine Arts Printmaking
- Bandelier Annual Photography Competition
   2012 & 2013 Top Ten Award
- Santa Fe Annual Arts Commission Exhibit 2011 Best of Show/First Place Award
- Santa Fe County Fair

Blue Ribbon, Mixed Media and Pottery