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BETTY PARSONS

Born 1900, New York, NY

Died 1982, Southold, NY

EDUCATION

1924, Académie de La Grand Chaumière, Paris, France

INDIVIDUAL EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 *Betty Parsons: The Queen of the Circus*, Alison Jacques Gallery, London, UK
- 2018 *Betty Parsons: Blue sky very high*, Art Omi, Ghent, NY
- 2017 *Betty Parsons: Invisible Presence*, Alexander Gray Associates, New York, NY
- 2015 *Betty Parsons: A Life in Art*, David Findlay Gallery, New York, NY
- 2010 *Journeys: The Art of Betty Parsons*, Spanierman Modern, New York, NY
- 2008 *Totem Materia: Sculpture and Paintings by Betty Parsons*, Spanierman Modern, New York, NY
- 2007 *Painted Wood Sculpture by Betty Parsons*, Spanierman Gallery, LLC, East Hampton, NY
- 2006 *The Painted Sculpture of Betty Parsons*, The Graduate Center, the City University of New York, New York, NY
- Betty Parsons: A Painting Retrospective*, Spanierman Gallery, LLC, East Hampton, NY
- 2005 *The Painted Sculpture of Betty Parsons*, Naples Museum of Art, Naples, FL
- 1999 *Shaping a Generation: The Art and Artists of Betty Parsons*, Heckscher Museum of Art, Huntington, NY
- 1992 *Betty Parsons: Paintings on Paper*, the Pollock-Krasner House with The Fine Arts Gallery of the Southhampton Campus of Long Island University and the Elaine Benton Gallery, Southhampton, East Hampton, NY
- 1985 Armstrong Gallery, New York, NY
- 1982 Truman Gallery, New York, NY
- 1980 Nigel Greenwood Gallery, London, UK
- 1978 Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI
- 1977 Kornblee/Truman Gallery, New York, NY
- 1975 Elaine Benson Gallery, East Hampton, New York, NY
Studio Gallery, Washington, DC
- 1974 *Betty Parsons Retrospective: An Exhibition of Paintings and Sculpture*, Montclair Art Museum, Montclair, NJ
- 1973 Studio Gallery, Washington, DC
- 1972 Sachs Gallery, New York, NY
College Art Gallery Drew University, Madison, NJ
- 1971 Studio Gallery, Washington, DC
- 1968 *Betty Parsons Painting, Gouaches, and Sculpture 1955 – 68*, Whitechapel Gallery, London, UK
- 1967 Grand Central Moderns, New York, NY

- Gallery Seven, Boston, MA
- 1966 Southold Gallery, Southold, NY
Betty Parsons, Bennington College, North Bennington, VT
- 1963 New Arts Gallery, Atlanta, GA
Miami Museum of Modern Art, Miami, FL
- 1962 Sydney Wolfson Gallery, New York
- 1960 Latow Gallery, New York, NY
- 1958 Georgia Museum of Art, University of Georgia, Athens, GA
Pensacola Art Center, Pensacola, FL
Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
- 1957 Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
- 1948 Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
- 1945 Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
- 1938 Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
- 1937 Gallery of the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
- 1936 Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
- 1934 Stendhal Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 1933 Galerie des Quatre Chemins, Paris, France

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 *Abstract Expressionism Revisited*, Guild Hall, East Hampton, NY
GARDEN, Sargent's Daughters, NY
Painters of the East End, Kasmin Gallery, New York, NY
Count of Three, Alexander Gray Associates, New York, NY
She Persists: A Century of Women Artists in New York, 1918-2018, Gracie Mansion, New York, NY
- 2018 *Surface Work*, Victoria Miro, London, UK
- 2017 *Andrew Brischler: Lonely Planet*, Gavlak Palm Beach Gallery, Palm Beach, FL
Innovative Approaches, Honored Traditions: The Ruth and Elmer Wellin Museum of Art at Five Years, Ruth and Elmer Wellin Museum of Art at Hamilton College, Clinton, NY
- 2015 *You Go Girl! Celebrating Women Artists*, The Heckscher Museum of Art, Huntington, NY
- 2014 *Material World (Permanent Collection Exhibition)*, Parrish Art Museum, Water Mill, NY
- 2006 *Betty Parsons and the Women*, Anita Shapolsky Gallery, New York, NY
- 2005 *People, Places and Things*, Parrish Art Museum, Water Mill, NY
- 2000 *The Nature of Seeing: Works from the Collection*, Parrish Art Museum, Water Mill, NY
- 1992 *Watercolors: Selections from the Collection*, Parrish Art Museum, Water Mill, NY
- 1988 *Drawing on the East End, 1940–1988*, Parrish Art Museum, Water Mill, NY
- 1975 *Painting, Drawing and Sculpture of The '60s and '70s From The Dorothy and Herbert Vogel Collection*, Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA; Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, OH
- 1972 *Betty Parsons Private Collection: Paintings and Drawings 1940–1972*, Parrish Art Museum, Water Mill, NY
- 1970 *Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Hirschhorn Select*, Hurlbutt Gallery, Greenwich, CT
Artists of Suffolk County, Part II-Abstract Tradition, The Heckscher Museum, Huntington, NY

- 1966 Southold Gallery, Southold, NY
Riverside Museum, New York, NY
Penthouse Exhibition, The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1964 The Heckscher Museum, Huntington, NY
Penthouse Exhibition, The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
Society of the Four Arts, Palm Beach, FL
- 1959 National Council of Women of the United States, New York, NY
Miami Beach Art Center, Miami, FL
Midtown's Season's Retrospective, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
Midtown's Anniversary Show, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
Midtown's Opening Group Show, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
- 1958 Summit Art Association, Summit, NJ
Midtown's Season's Retrospective, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
Midtown's Anniversary Show, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
Columbus Gallery of Fine Arts, Columbus, Ohio
Midtown's Watercolor Group, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
- 1957 *July Meeting*, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Midtown's Season's Retrospective, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
Midtown's Anniversary Show, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
Midtown's Opening Group Show, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
Columbus Gallery of Fine Arts, Columbus, Ohio
Midtown's Watercolor Group, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
- 1956 Memphis Museum, Memphis, TN
Art Barn, Southampton, NY
Midtown's Watercolor Group, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
The Society of the Four Arts Contemporary Exhibition, Palm Beach, FL
- 1954 *Midtown's Season's Retrospective*, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
John Herron Art Institute, Indianapolis, IN
- 1953 Dayton Art Institute, Dayton, OH
- 1952 *The Nude Traveling Show*, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
Dayton Art Institute, Dayton, OH
- 1945 *Midtown's Christmas Exhibition*, Midtown Galleries, New York, NY
- 1937 The Price Gallery, Hollywood, CA
Barbarie Gallery, Hollywood, CA
- 1927 The New Chenil Gallery, London, UK

SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Addison Gallery of American Art, Andover, MA
Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, NY
Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham, AL
Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, PA
Heckscher Museum of Art, Huntington, NY
High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA
Irish Museum of Modern Art, Dublin, Ireland
Montclair Art Museum, Montclair, NJ

The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington, DC
Parrish Art Museum, Water Mill, NY
Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR
RISD Museum, Providence, RI
Ruth and Elmer Wellin Museum of Art, Clinton, NY
Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, DC
Telfair Museums, Savannah, GA
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY

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