

Ryan Syrell is a Baltimore-based painter who also teaches and writes about art.

#### Education

MFA, Painting and Printmaking, Virginia Commonwealth University, 2017  
BFA, Painting and Drawing, SUNY Purchase, 2006

#### Solo Exhibitions

2018

VT – NY, Page Bond Gallery, Richmond, VA  
Adventures Close to Home, Bromo Seltzer Tower, Baltimore, MD

2017

Ryan Syrell, Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, Richmond, VA

2014

Roughed In, John Fonda Gallery, Baltimore, MD  
Addenda: Rosy-Fingered Dawn at Louse Point, Guest Spot at the ReInstitute, Baltimore, MD

2013

Painted Woods, Current Space, Baltimore, MD

#### Selected Group Exhibitions

2018

To Find Home, curated by Zach Wampler, HappyluckyNo.1, with Doron Langberg, Sarah Muehlbauer, and Beverly Semmes, Brooklyn, NY  
Hot Hot Hot, Page Bond Gallery, Richmond, VA  
Sondheim Semi-Finalist exhibition, Baltimore, MD

2017

Transformer Auction, Katzen Center, American University, Washington DC  
Whateverbeing, curated by Owen Duffy, Present Co., Brooklyn, NY  
Sondheim Alumni Show, curated by Cara Ober and Stewart Watson, Area 405, Baltimore, MD  
Emerge, Page Bond Gallery, Richmond, VA  
WORK, Anderson Gallery, Richmond, VA  
Washington Project for the Arts Auction, Uline Arena, Washington, DC

2016

InLight, with Jon Rehwholdt, Peter Baldes, and Greg Piwonka, 1708 Gallery, Richmond, VA  
Horse Apartment, FAB Gallery, Richmond, VA  
Current Art Fair, with Page Bond Gallery, Richmond, VA  
Emerge, Page Bond Gallery, Richmond, VA  
The Heat Goes On Where the Hand Has Been, 6 N.6th, Richmond, VA  
University Combine, Capital One, Richmond, VA

2015

This Just In, the Depot Gallery, Richmond, VA  
Sondheim Prize finalist exhibition, Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, MD  
Real Rocks Are Heavy and Hard To Find, Two-Person show with James Bouché,  
Gallery Four, Baltimore, MD

2014

Baltimore Contemporary Cross-Section, Silvermine Arts Center, New Canaan,  
CT  
I Like It In The City, Gallery CA, Baltimore, MD  
Earth and Sky, Carspecken Scott Gallery, Wilmington, DE  
PMF V, organized by Open Space, D Center, Baltimore, MD  
Select 2014, curated by Mera Rubell, Artisphere, Arlington, VA  
Select 2014 (Preview), presented by the WPA, hosted by Marianne Boesky, NY

2013

Transformer Art Auction 2013, Corcoran Gallery, Washington DC  
Regarding Territory, curated by Ginevra Shay, Furthermore, Washington DC  
Good Light, Current Space, Baltimore, MD  
Ball of Worms, benefit auction for R.M. O'Brien, Metro Gallery, Baltimore,  
MD  
Blonde Art Books Tour, Curated by Alex Epstein and Seth Adelsberger,  
Nudashank, Baltimore, MD  
Blonde Art Books Tour, Curated by Indie Photobook Library, Furthermore,  
Washington DC  
Out of Order, Maryland Art Place, Baltimore, MD  
PMF IV, organized by Open Space, D Center, Baltimore, MD  
Odd Volume, curated by Aimee Lusty, Booklyn, Brooklyn, NY

2012

moreLANDS, with Beth Hoeckel and Brent Holland Baker, Penthouse Gallery,  
Baltimore, MD  
Souvenir, curated by Thomas Marquet, Camel Art Space, Brooklyn, NY  
Everything Is Festival III, multiple venues, Los Angeles, CA  
All-Visual Boston II, Boston, MA  
Narrative Ability, curated by Carl Gunhouse, Camel Art Space, Brooklyn, NY  
All-Visual Boston, Boston, MA

2011

All-Visual LA, Los Angeles, CA

2010

Space Jam, curated by Aimee Lusty, Union Gallery, NY  
Everything Is Festival, Los Angeles, CA  
It's a Beautiful Thing, Jane Haslem Gallery, Washington, DC  
Sweet/Awesome/Rad, The Hamilton, Burlington, VT

2009

Wham City Crystal Skull, De Leon White Art Gallery, Toronto, OT  
Chinati Foundation Arts Festival, Marfa, TX  
So Many Organs, with Liz Donadio and Dina Kelberman, Current Gallery,  
Baltimore, MD

2008

Baltimore Round Robin, Pozen Center, Mass Art, Boston, MA  
Baltimore Round Robin, Museum of Contemporary Art, Detroit, MI  
Street Cred, Last House on the Left Gallery, Oakland, CA

2006

Everson Biennial, Everson Museum, Syracuse, NY  
Kissin' Cousins, with Laura Hansen, SUNY Purchase, Purchase, NY

#### Awards/Grants

VCUarts Graduate Research Grant, 2016-2017  
David Wurtzel Travel Grant, Florence, IT, 2016  
VCUarts, Graduate Studies Graduate Teaching Assistantship, 2015-2016  
Sondheim Prize Finalist, 2015  
Individual Artist Award, Sculpture. Maryland State Arts Council, 2014

#### Teaching/Lectures/Visits

Adjunct Instructor, Color Practices, Comm Arts, VCU, 2019  
Adjunct Instructor, Experimental Drawing and Painting, Towson University, 2019  
Adjunct Instructor, Undergraduate Curatorial Practicum, VCU, 2018  
Visiting Artist, Towson University, Department of Art + Design, 2018  
Adjunct Instructor, Drawing Studio, VCU, 2016-current  
Lecturer II, Painting 2/3, Drawing, Anne Arundel Community College, 2018-current  
Adjunct Instructor, Painting and Printmaking, VCU, 2016-2017  
Instructor, Baltimore School for the Arts, 2017-current  
Instructor, 2D Portfolio Development, VCU Summer Art Intensive, 2016-current  
President, Graduate Artists Association, VCU, 2016-2017  
Visiting Artist, George Washington University, 2016  
External Reviewer, Maryland Institute College of Art. 2015  
Visiting Artist, the Corcoran School of Art and Design, 2014

#### Publications

The Unknowables, review for BmoreArt, 2018  
The Feel of Things, review for BmoreArt, 2018  
Adventures Close to Home, MFA Thesis, Virginia Commonwealth University, 2017  
Real Rocks Are Heavy and Hard To Find, Print Folio, with James Bouché, 2015  
Image Not Found, review for Bmoreart, 2014  
Playful Strategies, review for Bmoreart, 2014  
Endnotes, Kyle Tata, exhibition catalog for Addenda, Baltimore, MD, 2014  
Good Light, exhibition catalog, Current Space, Baltimore, MD, 2013  
Not Yet In Ruin, catalog/essays, Springsteen Gallery, Baltimore, MD, 2013  
Assembly Affect, catalog/essays, Current Space, Baltimore, MD, 2013  
Odd Volume, exhibition catalog, images, created by Aimee Lusty, Booklyn, Brooklyn, NY, 2013

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- Necessary Viewing, by Bailey Calfee, NYLON Magazine, 2018
- [The 2015 Sondheim Prize](#), by Michael Anthony Farley, ArtFCity, 2015
- [Sondheim Three-Way](#), by Ian MacLean Davis, Bret McCabe, and Cara Ober, BmoreArt, 2015
- [Men At Work](#), by Rebekah Kirkman, Baltimore City Paper, 2015
- [Real Rocks Are Heavy and Hard To Find](#), by April Camlin, Post-Office Arts Journal, 2015
- Mixed-Up: Baltimore Comes to Silvermine, by Jill Gordon, BmoreArt online article, 2014
- One Sided Dialogue, review of Painted Woods by Xavier McNellage, BmoreArt online article, 2013
- Artscape: Art Highlights, Baltimore City Paper, online feature, 2013
- We Saw This, So Should You: Print/Collect and Ryan Syrell at Current, BmoreArt, online article, 2013
- Now See This: Assembly Affect, Baltimore City Paper, 2013
- Ryan Syrell, Interview, with Katherine Nonemaker, Open Lab Artists online journal, 2013
- From the Desk of: Dan Deacon, by Dan Deacon, Magnet Magazine guest editorial, 2012
- Pick of the Week: Narrative Ability, by Rosalia Jovanovic, Flavorpill online magazine, 2012
- Three Baltimore Artists Reinvent the Landscape, by R.M. O'Brien, Baltimore Fishbowl, 2012
- Now See This: moreLANDS, Baltimore City Paper, 2012
- Exhibition Review: So Many Organs, There Were Ten Tigers, 2009
- Wicked Eats the Warrior, Beatbots Audio Review, by Tim Kabara, online article, 2009
- Now See This: So Many Organs, Baltimore City Paper, print/image, 2009