

frontofbicycle Gallery



Image: Janet Jaffke at his studio in France.

Janet was greatly influenced by her father – a master “old school” carpenter. She spent many hours together in his workshop where she watched him carefully perfect his craft. He taught her about patience and process, trial and error, quality and craftsmanship.

Originally from Chicago, Janet began her formal training at the “School of the Art Institute”, where she concentrated her studies on textile design and fibre art and after she graduated she started a small business producing hand-painted fabrics for clothing and home furnishings. Her work found its way across the country in boutiques and a few big named department stores like “Sax Fifth Avenue”. Simultaneously Janet also worked creating theatrical costumes, art installations; working on commercials, photography sets, and book illustration.

Several years after starting her company, she was approached to participate in a government grant designed to bring artists and designers into the world of multimedia and the Internet. Janet was fascinated with the new technology and walked out of the studio and into the world of digital design and communication.



Image:frontofbicycle Gallery - #ME Exhibition - Basel - 2021.



Images:frontofbicycle Gallery - Exhibition - Rheinsprung 1, Basel CH-4051 - 2019.



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Remembrance©.
Janet Jaffke
Acrylic / Mixed Media
31 x 31 cm
Price Upon Request



Perfectly Imperfect©.

Janet Jaffke

Fiber Art

90 x 72cm Price Upon Request

EDUCATION

- 2021 - Critical Discussion Group, (with Cheryl Taves / Bill Porteus)
- 2020 - Critical Discussion Group, (with Cheryl Taves / Bill Porteus)
- 2019 - Color & Design Workshop, LaRomita School of Art, Umbria Italy
- 2019 - Art2Life Creative Visionary Program
- 2015 - Art2Life Creative Visionary Program
- 2000 - Continuing Education – School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- 1999 - Certificate, Accelerated Multimedia Training, Truman College, Chicago
- 1982 - BFA from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago

EXHIBITIONS

- 2021 Salon d'Automne, Paris, France
- 2021 - Group show, frontofbicycle Gallery - #ME, Basel, Switzerland
- 2020 - Association Culturel il Palmerino, Florence, Italy
- 2019 - Salon d'Automne, Paris, France
- 2019 - Group show, frontofbicycle Gallery, Basel, Switzerland
- 2018 - Group show, frontofbicycle Gallery, Basel, Switzerland
- 2018 - Galerie 21, One person show, Altkirch, France
- 2018 - Artbox Project, Virtual show, New York, New York, USA
- 2017 - Group show, frontofbicycle Gallery, Basel, Switzerland
- 2017 - Salon des 40, Group show, St. Louis, France
- 2017 - Tom Robinson Gallery, Two person show, Chicago, IL, USA
- 2008 - Jackson Junge Gallery, Group show, Chicago, IL, USA
- 2007 - Tom Robinson Gallery, Group show, Chicago, IL, USA
- 2006 - Inside Art, Three women show, Chicago, IL
- 2004 - Annual Celebrity Chair Auction, Chicago, IL, USA
- 1982 - Traveling Fellowship Competition, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL, USA

PUBLICATIONS

2018 - DNA, Journal D'Alsace

1972 - Chicago Tribune Style Section

1990, 1991, 1992 - Women's Wear Daily

1989 - Made in Illinois

1989 - Chicago Times Magazine

ARTIST RESIDENCIES

2020 - Association del Palmerino, Florence, Italy

2017 - Blueberry View Artist Retreat, Benton Harbor, Michigan

1992 - Lakeside Art Center, Lakeside Michigan

1990 - Art Park, Lewiston NY

1987 - Art Park, Lewiston NY



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