

Michael Hurwitz

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Biography

Michael Hurwitz has been making studio furniture since earning a BFA from Boston University's Program in Artisanry in 1979 and was Head of the Wood Department at University of the Arts, Philadelphia between 1985 and 1989. He has shown extensively, including several solo exhibitions at the Peter Joseph Gallery and Pritam and Eames Gallery in NY. His work is represented in several public collections including the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Massachusetts, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC, and Philadelphia Museum of Art, PA.

Michael Hurwitz is the recipient of many honors including three National Endowment for the Arts Visual Artist Fellowships, Japan Foundation Fellowship, PEW Foundation in the Arts fellowship and a Tiffany Foundation Award.

Hurwitz was made a Fellow of the American Craft Council, and received the Masters of the Medium award from the Friends of the James Renwick Alliance.

He maintains a studio in Philadelphia, PA.

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Education

- 1979 BFA Boston University, Boston MA
1974-75 Massachusetts College of Art, Boston MA

Selected Exhibitions

- 2016 "Art in Wood" - Center for Art in Wood, Philadelphia PA
2013 "Furniture With Soul" - Gallery Naga, Boston MA
2008 Solo Exhibition - Pritam & Eames Gallery, East Hampton N.Y.
2006-08 "Inspired by China: Contemporary Furnituremakers Explore Chinese Traditions" - Peabody Essex Museum, Salem MA; travels to Museum of Art and Design, New York N.Y; Museum of Art Fort Lauderdale, Fort Lauderdale FL
2005 "Material worth: The celebrated object" - Pritam & Eames Gallery, East Hampton N.Y.
2004-05 "Right at home: American studio furniture" - Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington DC
2004 "The Incredible Elastic Chairs of Samuel Gragg" - Winterthur Museum, Winterthur DE
2003 Solo Exhibition - Pritam & Eames Gallery, East Hampton NY
2003 "Contemporary Studio Case Furniture: The Inside Story" - Elvehjem Museum of Art, Madison WI
2003 "Boston University Program in Artisanry Retrospective Exhibition" - Fuller Museum of Art, Brockton MA
2003 "The Makers Hand; Studio Furniture from 1950 - 1990" - Museum of Fine Art, Boston MA
2001 Solo Exhibition - Temple University Gallery, Philadelphia PA
1999 "Boudior" - Gallery Naga, Boston MA
1999 "Please be seated: Contemporary studio furniture" - Yale University art gallery, New Haven CT

1998 Solo Exhibition - John Elder Gallery, New York NY

1996, 94, 92 Solo Exhibition - Peter Joseph Gallery, New York, NY

1994 "A Good Cup of Coffee and Other Antidotes for Modern Day Living" solo exhibition - Peter Joseph Gallery, New York NY

1994 "Child's Play" group exhibition - Memorial Art Gallery, Rochester NY

1994 "Inaugural Group Show" group exhibition - Donald Brecker Gallery, Miami Beach FL

1994 "Visiting Artist Exhibition" group exhibition - Contemporary Museum, Honolulu HI

1993 "Fantasy Furniture" group exhibition - Susquehanna Museum, Harrisburg PA

1992 "Michael Hurwitz: New Works" solo exhibition - Peter Joseph Gallery, New York NY

1991 "Masterworks" group exhibition - Peter Joseph Gallery, New York NY

1990 "10 x 10' Anniversary Show" group exhibition - Pritam & Eames Gallery, East Hampton NY

1989 "Beyond the Tradition of the Rocking Chair" group exhibition - Bernice Steinbaum Gallery, New York NY

1989 "Craft Enigma" group exhibition - Rosenwald Wolf Gallery, The University of the Arts, Philadelphia PA

1989 "Extraordinary Objects" group exhibition, Foundation for Today's Art - Nexus, Philadelphia, PA

1989 "Michael Hurwitz" solo exhibition - Pritam & Eames Gallery, East Hampton NY

1989 "New American Furniture" group exhibition, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA; traveled to Oakland Museum of Fine Arts, Oakland CA; Cincinnati Museum of Art, Cincinnati OH; Mississippi Museum of Art, Tupelo MS

1981 Group exhibition - Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton MA

1979-1980 "New Handmade Furniture" - American Craft Museum, New York NY

Selected Awards and Honors

2019	Masters of the Medium - James Renwick Alliance
2016, 18	Invited Participant in World Wood Day - Hosted by international World Wood Council, Nepal 2016, Cambodia 2018
2014	Fellow - American Craft Council
2009	Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Award
1999	PEW Fellowship in the Arts
1997	Japan Foundation Fellowship
1992, 90, 88	National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship
1990	National Endowment for the Arts/ U.S.-Japan Friendship Commission Japan Fellowship 1986 Pennsylvania Council on the Arts Fellowship
1985	Altos de Chavon Artist-in-Residence Fellowship - la Romana, Dominican Republic

Selected Collections

Philadelphia Museum of Art - Philadelphia PA
Museum of Fine Arts - Boston MA
Museum of Arts & Design - Rhode Island School of Design, Providence RI
Renwick Gallery of National Museum of American Art - Smithsonian Institution, Washington DC
Yale University Art Gallery - New Haven CT
Chilmark Public Library - Chilmark MA
Altos de Chavon Foundation - New York NY
Anne and Ron Abramson - Washington DC
Graham Gund, Cambridge - MA
Peter and Wendy Joseph Estate - New York NY
Ziff - Stafford Residence, Pawling NY
Diana and Roy Vagelos - Short Hills NJ
Edward and Allison Johnson - Boston MA
Vin and Carla Ryan - Vero Beach FL
Martin Puryear - Accord NY
Glenn Close - New York NY