

Philip Sugden

2025 Creative Ohio Champion Advocacy Award
2023 Best Film of the Year; New York Hudson International Film Festival
2019 Artists Wall of Fame; Marathon Center for the Performing Arts

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Professor of Studio Art and Gallery Director
Bluffton University, Bluffton, OH
-Past 2-term President and Gallery Chair; Findlay Art League
Co-Producer/Director of the documentary film, "Activismo; Art and
Dissidence in Cuba." Official Choice at 14 international film festivals
and 7 awards

Gallery Representation:
Concepts Gallery, Pittsburgh, PA <http://www.conceptgallery.com>
Artist Representative: Brenda Kroose, Columbus, Ohio.
<http://www.Bkroosgallery@aol.com>
-Andre' Martinez: Representative; New York City

EDUCATION

-Formal study of painting under the tutelage of Arnaud D'Hauterives,
(Winner, Grand Prix de Roma: official painter of France appointed by
President Meterand; Past president of the French Society of Artists.)
-Certificate du Completion, Paris American Academie des Beaux Arts et du
Langues, Paris, France, 1981
-Bachelor of Fine Arts, New York School of Visual Arts, New York City,
1977 (under Hannah Wilke, Adrien Leban, Will Insley)

EXHIBITIONS over 130 group and juried exhibits and 90 solo exhibits
including:
ArtPrize 10, Grand Rapids, MI
ArtPrize 7, Grand Rapids, MI: Winner of the "Social Action Award."
Joshua Liner Gallery, Chelsea, NYC. fundraiser exhibit for Tibet. (group
exhibit)
Central Booking, DUMBO, Brooklyn. invitational (Measure for Measure)
Henry Gregg Gallery, D.U.M.B.O. Brooklyn, New York. Solo
Smithsonian Institute, Washington DC (invitational)
Springfield Museum of Fine Arts, Springfield, OH
Denise Bibro Gallery, W. 20th St. New York City
October Gallery, London, England (invitational)
Nicholas Roerich Museum, New York City (solo)
Royal Victoria Museum, Melbourne, Australia (invitational)
Cannon Rotunda, Washington D.C. (invitational)
Galerie Atelier Three, Paris, France (2-person show)
Galerie Esplanade de la Defense, Paris (invitational)

The Portsmouth Museum of Art, Virginia (solo)
USIS, American Culture Center, Kathmandu, Nepal (solo)
Open Center Gallery, New York City (solo)
Grand Palais, Paris, France (invitational)
New York Center for Book Arts, New York City (group)
Galerie Abel Rambert, Paris, France (group)
Canton Museum of Art, Canton, Ohio (solo)
Key Gallery, Soho, New York City (group)
Yakima Art Center, Yakima, Washington (2-person)
St. Boniface Galleries of The Cathedral of St John the Divine, NYC. (solo)

BOOKS OR ARTICLES PUBLISHED: Many articles
VISIONS FROM THE FIELDS OF MERIT; Drawings of Tibet and the Himalayas: an exhibition catalog; Floating Temple Press, January 2000. 144 pages; 65 full-page, full-color, location and studio drawings; Forward by Ex. Dir. Nicholas Roerich Museum, New York City; Personal statement by the Dalai Lama.

WHITE LOTUS, An Introduction to Tibetan Culture PBS presentation (winner of best documentary, 1st Annual Findlay Film Festival) and companion book. Snow Lion Publications and WBGU-TV, 1991.

EXPLORERS JOURNAL and American Cemetery Magazine article entitled, Tibetan Sky Burial, An Ancient Ritual; Summer 92 and February 1993.
Author/Photographer

COLLECTIONS Various private and corporate collections including;
Ludwig Kuttner and Beatrix Ost Collection, New York City/Berlin
Paris American Academie des Beaux Arts, Paris
Dalai Lama's Personal collection
Arnaud D'Hauterives, (Curator Muse Marmotan, Grand Palais, Paris)
Global Chinese Art Institute, Amsterdam
Jesse Besser Museum, Michigan
Brown-Forman Corporation, Louisville, KY
Marathon Oil Company Executive Offices
Nicholas Roerich Museum, NYC
Westpac Banking Corporation, executive offices, New York City
Pulitzer Prize Winner, Oscar Hijuelos Collection
Actor, Delroy and Nashamora Lindo Collection
The Philip Gardner Collection
Ohio Northern University
Enkhousen Historical Museum, Enkhousen, Holland

REVIEWS AND INTERVIEWS Numerous TV, radio, magazine, and newspaper interviews including:-PBS TV (WBGU-TV) Scenic Stops: Studio Interview: 2013
-Book cover; Entering The Word Temple, by Diane Frank, nominated for Pulitzer Prize in Literature
-Book cover; Path to Bliss: by His Holiness the Dalai Lama, Snow Lion Publ.
-Ming Pao Arts Monthly: 4-page review with color representations, Hong Kong
-NY Times, Sunday Travel Section: Nine images of Dharamsala. April 29,

1990

- Cleveland Plain Dealer: Sunday Mag: Cover, 6-page interview, photos 1991
 - Toledo Blade Sunday Mag: Cover and 6-page interview w/ photographs 1991
 - Creative Ohio Arts Magazine: Interview and art work
 - Art to Art Palette: (Ohio/Indiana arts mag) Feature article and interview. 2005
 - New Homeowner Magazine: "Choosing Art for you Home". 2007
- "ART RELATED EXPERIENCES"
- First visual artist to be inducted onto the "Wall of Fame" at the Marathon Performing Arts Center, Findlay, Ohio May, 2019
 - Havana, Cuba; Producer/Director filming/interviews with 3 Cuban dissident, activist artists, Tania Bruegura, Jose Toirac, Jose Vincench
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- Co-organizer and artist for the 1988 Cultural Arts Expedition to Tibet and The Himalayas 1987 through 1991
 - Guest Curator for six-months at The Nicholas Roerich Museum, New York City 1991-1992
 - Co-creator, "Imagination Unlocked" Lima Correctional Institute (State Prison) working w/ inmates/artists with traveling exhibition
 - Twelve working journeys to the Himalaya and Tibet as a professional artist
 - Art related research travel, London, Amsterdam, Paris, Rome, Florence, and Venice.
 - On-going study of Tibetan paintings in India, Tibet, Nepal.
 - 4 educational Cross Culture Experiences around Iceland

TEACHING EXPERIENCE, LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS Over 200 national and international lectures on art and Tibetan culture at universities and museums.

- The Global Awareness Consortium on China; 10 college tour through Michigan. 1997 and again in 1998.
- The Nicholas Roerich Museum, NYC: International Year of Tibet lectures and exhibition series, 1990-92
- The Kentucky Center for the Arts, World Peace and Kinship, with His Holiness the Dalai Lama, 1994
- The Global Visions Series; Kentucky Center for the Arts; 1992. Louisville
- Heidelberg College: five-day guest lecture series on Tibetan culture, 1993
- The University of Arizona Tucson: Lecture series on Tibetan culture
- Santa Monica Civic Center: Kalachakra Ceremony with Dalai Lama, LA, 1989
- The Open Center: NYC; The Portsmouth Museum, VA; The Canton Museum; Ohio; Univ. of WI.; The USIS, American Culture Center, Kathmandu; Ohio State Univ.; The Freeport Museum, IL;
- The American Museum of Natural History, NYC; Santa Fe Museum; Asian Celebrations, 1997

AWARDS: Numerous Best of Show and 1st awards in juried exhibitions

- 2025 Creative Ohio Artist Champion Advocacy Award
- 2019: First visual artist to be inducted onto the Marathon Center for the Performing Arts, Fifth Third, Wall of Fame, Findlay, Ohio
- 2015 Winner of the Artprize7, Social Action Award
- Grant: 2003, Faculty Development Grant to study the works of Adolf Wolfli, American Folk Art Museum, NYC
- Grant: The Ohio Arts And Humanities Joint Projects in the Arts; 1991.

White Lotus PBS presentation

-Grant: National Endowment for the Humanities; 1991. White Lotus PBS presentation

-First Place; Toledo Museum of Fine Arts 72nd Juried Exhibition; 1990

Numerous awards from regional juried exhibits since 1980 including, Best of Show, Lima Art Space Gallery 2001: Wassenburg Art Center Award, 2001: etc.

CURRENT WORLD-WIDE-WEB EXHIBITIONS

-Saatchi online

-Asian Art Gallery; 1999: 19 drawings

-World Artists For Tibet: 1991: (New York City)

-Millennium Art Gallery: (Columbus, Ohio)