

OCTAVIA

ART GALLERY

Fritz Bultman

- 1919 Born on April 4, 1919 in New Orleans, LA
1931 - 1932 Began his art studies at age 13 with artist Morris Graves, who was visiting New Orleans
1937 - 1938 Studied at New Orleans Arts and Crafts School, New Orleans, LA
Studied at Munich Preparatory School, Munich, Germany where he met Hans Hofmann
Studied at New Bauhaus School, Chicago, IL
1938 - 1941 Studied at Hans Hofmann School of Fine Arts, New York, NY
Studied at Hans Hofmann School of Fine Arts, Provincetown, NY
1940 Met Tennessee Williams in Provincetown, MA, Williams visited Bultman in Greenwich Village, NY in the 1940s
1943 Married Jeanne Lawson, a dancer, in December in New York, NY
1945 Moved to Provincetown, MA
1950 Signed the historical and infamous "Irascibles" letter to The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY, along with other New York School of Abstract Expressionist painters William Bazotes, James Brooks, Willem de Kooning, Jimmy Ernst, Adolph Gottlieb, Robert Motherwell, Barnett Newman, Jackson Pollock, Richard Pousette-Dart, Ad Reinhardt, Mark Rothko, Theodoros Stamos, Hedda Sterne, Clyfford Still and Bradley Walker Tomlin
1950 - 1957 Member of the New York School of Abstract Expressionists
1951 Received a grant to study sculpture in Italy. As a result, he was in Italy at the time of the photo shoot for the famous Abstract Expressionist photograph called "The Irascibles", and was therefore not in the photo, which was published on January 15, 1951 in Life.
1952 Moved back to New York City
1955 - 1969 Visited friends Lee Krasner and Jackson Pollock in East Hampton, NY
1958 Tennessee Williams visited the Bultman Family home in the Garden District of New Orleans, where he wrote and set the play 'Suddenly Last Summer'
1958 - 1963 Taught at Pratt Institute, New York, NY
1959 - 1964 Taught at Hunter College, New York, NY
1962 Began to work more with collages, which would be his primary media for the next two decades
1964 - 1965 Awarded a Fulbright Fellowship, Paris, France
1968 Co-Founded the Provincetown Fine Arts Work Center, Provincetown, MA
1968 - 1972 Taught at Provincetown Fine Arts Work Center, Provincetown, MA
1975 Awarded The John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship, New York, NY
1985 Died on July 20, 1985 in Provincetown, MA

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2011 Fritz Bultman - Torn Paper Collages, Albert Merola Gallery, Provincetown, MA (solo)
2010 Fritz Bultman, Albert Merola Gallery, Provincetown, MA (solo)
2009 Jeanne and Fritz Bultman - A Provincetown Collection and Salon, Provincetown Art Association and Museum, Provincetown, MA (solo)
2008 Fritz Bultman - Drawings from the early 1960's, Albert Merola Gallery, Provincetown, MA
2007 Fritz Bultman - Collages from the 1980's, Albert Merola Gallery, Provincetown, MA (solo)
Fritz Bultman - Paintings, Drawings, Sculpture and Collage, Reynolds Ryan Art Gallery - Isidore Newman School, New Orleans, LA (solo)
2006 Fritz Bultman - Small Paintings 1957 - 1961, Albert Merola Gallery, Provincetown, MA
2005 Fritz Bultman - The Rhythm of the Line, Albert Merola Gallery, Provincetown, MA (solo)
2004 Fritz Bultman: Irascible, II, Gallery Schlesinger, New York, NY (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Albert Merola Gallery, Provincetown, MA (solo)
2003 Fritz Bultman - Rare Paintings from the Early 1960's, Albert Merola Gallery, Provincetown, MA (solo)

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- Fritz Bultman: Irascible, Gallery Schlesinger, New York, NY (solo)
Fritz Bultman: The Ogden Museum of Southern Art - University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA (solo)
- 2001 Fritz Bultman - Paintings, Collages, Drawings and Sculpture: 1953 - 1985, Albert Merola Gallery, Provincetown, MA (solo)
- 1998 Fritz Bultman: No/Show... An Evolving Exhibition, Gallery Schlesinger, New York, NY
Fritz Bultman: Drawing from Life, Gallery Schlesinger, New York, NY (solo)
Fritz Bultman - Collages, Georgia Museum of Art - University of Georgia, Athens, GA
- 1997 Fritz Bultman: Collages, Georgia Museum of Art - University of Georgia, Athens, GA
Fritz Bultman: No/Show... An Evolving Exhibition, Gallery Schlesinger, New York, NY
Fritz Bultman: Collages of The Sixties, Gallery Schlesinger, New York, NY (solo)
- 1993 Fritz Bultman: A Retrospective, New Orleans Museum of Art, New Orleans, LA; travelling exhibition (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Gallery Schlesinger, New York, NY (solo)
- 1992 Fritz Bultman, Gallery Schlesinger, New York, NY (solo)
- 1991 Fritz Bultman, Gallery Schlesinger, New York, NY (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Kouros Gallery, New York, NY (solo)
- 1990 Fritz Bultman, Gallery Schlesinger, New York, NY (solo)
- 1989 Fritz Bultman: Retrospective, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Gallery Schlesinger, New York, NY (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Tilden-Foley Gallery, New Orleans, LA (solo)
- 1987 Fritz Bultman, Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Hunter College, New York, NY (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Galerie Schlesinger-Boisanté, New York, NY (solo)
- 1986 Fritz Bultman, Galerie Schlesinger-Boisanté, New York, NY (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Fine Arts Work Center, Provincetown, MA (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Cherry Stone Gallery, Wellfleet, MA (solo)
- 1984 Fritz Bultman, Long Point Gallery, Provincetown, MA (solo)
- 1982 Fritz Bultman, Landmark Gallery, Inc., New York, NY (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Galerie Schlesinger-Boisanté, New York, NY (solo)
- 1979 Fritz Bultman, Long Point Gallery, Provincetown, MA (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Landmark Gallery, Inc., New York, NY (solo)
- 1978 Fritz Bultman, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Long Point Gallery, Provincetown, MA (solo)
- 1977 Fritz Bultman, Martha Jackson Gallery, New York, NY (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Cherry Stone Gallery, Wellfleet, MA (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Long Point Gallery, Provincetown, MA (solo)
- 1976 Fritz Bultman, Martha Jackson Gallery, New York, NY (solo)
- 1974 Fritz Bultman, New Orleans Museum of Art, New Orleans, LA (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Oklahoma Art Center, Oklahoma City, OK (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Newport Art Association, Newport, RI (solo)
- 1973 Fritz Bultman, Martha Jackson Gallery, New York, NY (solo)
- 1965 Fritz Bultman, The Arts Club of Chicago, Chicago, IL (solo)
- 1964 Fritz Bultman, Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY (solo)
- 1963 Fritz Bultman, Weatherspoon Gallery - University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, NC (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Tibor de Nagy Gallery, New York, NY (solo)
- 1960 Fritz Bultman, Isaac Delgado Museum of Art, New Orleans, LA (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Galerie Stadler, Paris, France (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Gallery Mayer, New York, NY (solo)
Fritz Bultman, Michel Warren Gallery, New York, NY (solo)
- 1959 Fritz Bultman, Martha Jackson Gallery, New York, NY (solo)
- 1958 Fritz Bultman, Stable Gallery, New York, NY (solo)
- 1952 Fritz Bultman, Kootz Gallery, New York, NY (solo)
- 1950 Fritz Bultman, Hugo Gallery, New York, NY (solo)
- 1947 Fritz Bultman, Hugo Gallery, New York, NY (solo)

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GROUP EXHIBITONS

- 2011 Abstraction, Albert Merola Gallery, Provincetown, MA
The Tides of Provincetown New Britain Museum, New Britain, CT; travelling exhibition
- 2008 Abstraction: Summer 2008, Thomas McCormick Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2007 Stone Cold Classics, Greenville County Museum of Art, Greenville, SC
- 2005 It's About Art... :an evolving exhibition, Gallery Schlesinger, New York, NY
- 2004 Drawing, Albert Merola Gallery, Provincetown, MA
- 1994 New York-Provincetown: A 50's Connection, Provincetown Art Association and Museum, Provincetown, MA
- 1985 Retrospective exhibition, New Orleans Museum of Art, New Orleans, LA
Figural Art, City University of New York, New York, NY
- 1981 Tracking the Marvelous, New York University, New York, NY
- 1977 Provincetown Painters: 1890s to 1970s, Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, NY
- 1975 20 American Fulbright Artists, International Institute of Education, New York, NY
- 1964 67th Annual American Exhibition - Directions in Contemporary Painting and Sculpture, The Arts Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 1963 - 1964 Hans Hofmann and His Students, The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1956 New York Painting and Sculpture Annual Exhibition, Stable Gallery, New York, NY
- 1955 Annual, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
New York Painting and Sculpture Annual Exhibition, Stable Gallery, New York, NY
- 1954 New York Painting and Sculpture Annual Exhibition, Stable Gallery, New York, NY
- 1953 New York Painting and Sculpture Annual Exhibition, Stable Gallery, New York, NY
- 1952 Biennial, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
- 1950 Biennial, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
Black or White, Samuel Kootz Gallery, New York, NY
- 1949 Organized and exhibited in "Forum 49" group exhibition, Provincetown, MA

SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Cape Cod Museum of Art, Dennis, MA
Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum - Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
Louisiana Art & Science Museum, Baton Rouge, LA
The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
The Ogden Museum of Southern Art - University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA
Sheldon Museum of Art - University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE

LITERATURE

- 1997 Fritz Bultman: Collages, Evan R. Firestone, Donald Windham and William U. Eiland, Georgia Museum of Art - University of Georgia, Athens, GA
- 1994 Fritz Bultman: The Case of the Missing 'Irascible', Archives of American Art Journal, vol. 34.2, 1994, p. 11-20
- 1993 Fritz Bultman: A Retrospective, April Kingsley, New Orleans Museum of Art, New Orleans, LA
- 1987 Fritz Bultman, Donald Kuspit, Artforum, vol. 26.3, November 1987, p. 130-131
- 1976 Opening and Closing: Fritz Bultman's Sculpture, Arts Magazine, vol. 50.5, January 1976, p. 82-83
- 1948 Fritz Bultman: Sketchbook, Donald Windham Collection, New York, NY