

david lusk gallery

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b 1934 Granite, OK

d 2025 Memphis

education

1956 BFA, Memphis College of Art

Siena College, Memphis

Institute of Design, Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago

solo exhibitions

2024 *New Paintings*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis

2021 *Studying 2021*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis

2019 *Transition*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis

2017 *Oklahoma Skies*, Tennessee Valley Museum of Art, Tusculumbia, AL

2016 *Day Into Night*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis, TN

Day into Night, David Lusk Gallery, Nashville

2015 *Last Light*, David Lusk Gallery

2012 *From Dusk to Dawn*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis

2009 *Veda Reed: Paintings Recent and Previous*, Mississippi University for Women, Columbus, MS

2007 *daybreak/nightfall*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis

2004 *New Paintings*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis

2001 David Lusk Gallery, Memphis

1999 Ledbetter Lusk Gallery, Memphis

1998 Tennessee State Museum, Nashville

1996 Lisa Kurts Gallery, Memphis

1995 Kurts Bingham Gallery, Memphis

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1991 Bingham Kurts Gallery, Memphis

1989 Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis

1987 Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis

1985 Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis

1983 Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis

1981 Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis

1980 *Veda Reed Paintings & Drawings: 1955-1980*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis

1976 *Great Expectations*, Memphis

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Memphis College of Art, Memphis

1974 *Great Expectations*, Memphis

1973 Mickelson Gallery, Washington, DC

Great Expectations, Memphis

1971 *Veda Reed Paintings & Drawings*, Rhodes College, Memphis

1970 Memphis College of Art, Memphis

1969 The Boatman Gallery, New York

Great Expectations, Memphis

1967 *Veda Reed Paintings: Houses and Things*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis

Creative Arts, Memphis

1963 Memphis College of Art, Memphis

Morris Gallery, New York

1961 Morris Gallery, New York

1960 Morris Gallery, New York

Memphis College of Art, Memphis

1957 Morris Gallery, New York

1956 The Book Shelf, Memphis

group exhibitions

- 2019 *Daily Art*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis and Nashville
- 2018 *Daily Art*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis and Nashville
- 2017 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2016 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2015 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis and Nashville
Summer Reading, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2014 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2013 *Present Tense: The Art of Memphis from 2001 – Now*, Dixon Gallery and Gardens, Memphis
Works of Heart, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2012 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2011 *Ripped From the Studio*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2009 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2008 *Works of Heart*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 2007 *15th Annual Heart Auction*, Child Advocacy Center, Memphis
- 2004 *Art of Tennessee*, Frist Center for the Visual Arts, Nashville (catalog)
San Francisco International Fine Art Exposition, San Francisco,
- 2002 *Side By Side*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis,
A Century of Progress: Twentieth Century Painting in Tennessee, Cheekwood Museum of Art, Nashville,
- 1999 *Arts Day*, Memphis Arts Council, exhibition at Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1996 *Burton Callicott & Veda Reed: Teacher & Student*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
Arts Day, Memphis Arts Council, Askew Nixon Ferguson Architects, Memphis
- 1995 *Arts Day*, Memphis Arts Council, Askew Nixon Ferguson Architects, Memphis
- 1994 *Small Scale Grand Gestures*, Kurts Bingham Gallery, Memphis
BOXES: Artists Respond to the Object, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE
Faculty Exhibition, Memphis College of Art, Memphis,
- 1993 *From the Mountains to the Mississippi*, West Tennessee Exhibit, Tennessee Committee of the National Museum of Women in Arts, Memphis State University, Memphis
Faculty Exhibition, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1992 *Selected Works: 1935 - 1985*, Bingham Kurts Gallery, Memphis
RED: The Artists Respond, Bingham Kurts Gallery, Memphis
The Faculty Invites 35 Contemporary Artists, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE
Veda Reed & Burton Callicott, University Museum, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL
Faculty Exhibition, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1991 *Form, Fantasy & Function III*, Bingham Kurts Gallery, Memphis
Faculty Exhibition, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1990 *For the Preservation of Nature: The Artists' Response*, Traveling Exhibit: Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis, TN; Lake Charles Memorial Hospital, Lake Charles, LA; Schmidt Bingham Gallery, New York
Overton Park: Vision and Inspiration, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
TENNESSEE PAINTING TODAY: A Celebration of the Sixties, Cheekwood, Nashville
Faculty Exhibition, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
Oklahoma Landscapes, Shainberg Gallery, Memphis
- 1989 *Celebrating the Tenth Anniversary of Alice Bingham Gallery*, River Center Gallery, Memphis
Faculty Exhibition, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1988 *New Horizons*, Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis
Faculty Exhibition, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1987 *50 Years of Visual Creation*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1986 *Memphis: 1948 - 1985*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
American Landscape: New Vistas, Schmidt Bingham Gallery, New York
- 1985 *Landscape and Genre Painting in Tennessee, 1810-1985*, Tennessee State Museum, Nashville; The Dixon Gallery and Gardens, Memphis
Faculty Exhibition, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1984 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
Christmas on the River, Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis

- 1983 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
Works Under Ten Inches by Ten Artists, Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis
- 1982 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1981 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1980 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1979 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1978 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1977 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1976 *The Memphis Masters*, Et Cetera Gallery, Memphis
- 1975 *Veda Reed & Ron Pekar*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1974 *Combined Faculty Show*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1973 *Combined Art Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1972 *Memphis Academy of Arts Biennial Faculty Exhibition*, Traveling Exhibit: Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis; Southeast Arkansas Arts and Science Center, Pine Bluff, AR; Fort Smith Art Center, Fort Smith, AR; George Thomas Hunter Gallery
- 1972 Chattanooga; Fisk University, Nashville; Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR
- 1970 *Veda Reed & Charles Inzer*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
Cornucopia '70, Great Expectations, Memphis
Memphis Academy of Arts Biennial Faculty Exhibition, Traveling Exhibit: Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis; Paducah Art Guild, Paducah, KY
- 1968 *Memphis Academy of Arts Biennial Faculty Exhibition*, Traveling Exhibit: Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis; Lambuth College, Jackson, TN; Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR
Tennessee Painting Today, Cheekwood, Nashville
- 1967 *Twelfth Mid South Exhibition*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1966 *Faculty Exhibition: The Memphis Academy of Arts*, Traveling Exhibit: Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis; Furman University, Greenville, SC; Columbia Museum of Art, Columbia, SC
- 1965 *Tenth Annual Mid-South Exhibition*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1964 *Seventh Delta Exhibition*, Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock
- 1961 *7th Annual Painting of the Year Exhibition*, High Museum, Atlanta
Art in the South Invitational Exhibition, University of Southwestern Louisiana, Lafayette, LA
- 1960 *Designer Craftsmen USA*, Museum of Contemporary Crafts, New York
- 1959 *Delta Annual*, Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock
- 1958 *The Memphis Academy of Arts Fellowship*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1956 *Young Americans and Young Scandinavians*, Museum of Contemporary Crafts, New York

commissions

Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, Stanford, CT
 Memphis Country Club, Memphis
 Memphis In May, poster honoring the Netherlands, Memphis
 The University Club, Memphis

awards and honors

- 1996 Tennessee Governor's Award in the Arts, Individual Artist
- 1966 Benjamin Goodman Faculty Travel Award, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1965 Honorable Mention, Mid-South Exhibition, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1961 Honorable Mention, Painting of the Year Exhibition, Atlanta
- 1960 First Prize, Designer Craftsmen USA, Museum of Contemporary Crafts, New York
- 1959 Honorable Mention, Delta Annual, Little Rock
- 1958 First Prize, The Memphis Academy of Arts Fellowship, Memphis
- 1956 First Prize, Young Americans and Young Scandinavians, Museum of Contemporary Crafts, New York

juror

- 1997 Junior Mid-South Scholastic Art Awards, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1978 Junior Mid-South Exhibition, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1971 State (TN) Art Show of the National League of American Pen Women, Nashville
- 1968 National Scholastic Arts Awards, New York

memberships

1976-78 Art Today, Advisory and Selections Committee, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art
1972-76 Tennessee Arts Commission, Visual Arts Advisory Panel
1970-72 Memphis City Beautiful Commission
1960-61 American Craftsmen's Council, West TN Chairman

bibliography

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Landscape and Genre Painting in Tennessee, 1810-1985, Tennessee Historical Quarterly, Vol. XLIV, Summer, 1985, Number 2, p. 148-149
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Veda Reed: Houses & Things, Brooks Memorial Art Gallery (Memphis Brooks Museum of Art), 1967
Twelfth Mid South Exhibition, Brooks Memorial Art Gallery (Memphis Brooks Museum of Art), 1967
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Seventh Delta Exhibition, The Arkansas Art Center, 1964
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Hon. Ed Jones of Tennessee, *Tribute to Veda Reed*, Proceedings and Debates of the 96th Congress, Second Session, Vol. 126, No. 54, April 1, 1980
Hon. Ed Jones of Tennessee, *Veda Reed Exhibits in Nation's Capital*, Proceedings and Debates of the 93rd Congress, First Session, Vol. 119, No. 21, February 6, 1973
Craft Horizons *Veda Reed*, July-August 1960, p. 15
Olga Gueft, *Young Americans*, February 1957, p. 30-31
Interiors *American & Scandinavian Crafts*, January 1957, p. 10
Memphis Business Journal
Edwin Howard, *Sun Rises and Sets in Artist Veda Reed's Newly Spiritual Paintings*, April 17-21, 1989
Veda Reed Dips Her Brushes In Pure Divine Light, April 15-19, 1985
Four Artists in Show Reflect Influence of Veda Reed, July 1985
Memphis Press-Scimitar
Audrey West, *Precise Veda Reed, Artist, Doesn't Have Time For Errors*, May 14, 1975
Number
John Weeden, *Veda Reed*, Spring 1999, No. 36, p. 17

Cory Dugan, *Veda Reed*, 1989, Vol. 2, No. 4, p. 28

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Landscapes Rewarding in Richness of Details, April 14, 1989

Donald La Badie, *Longtime Memphian Paints Lush Greens of Adopted Home*, April 10, 1983

Artist Rises to Dutch-Salute Challenge, March 27, 1982

She Hasn't Brushed Aside Awe, April 12, 1981

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collections

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Baker Donelson, Memphis
Boyle Investment Company, Memphis
Bracewell & Patterson, Washington, DC
Buckeye Cellulose, Memphis
First Tennessee Bank, Memphis
Guardsmark, Memphis
Independent Bank, Memphis
Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
Memphis Cancer Center, Memphis
Memphis College of Art, Memphis
Memphis Cook Convention Center, Memphis
Memphis Outpatient Heart Lab, Methodist Hospital, Memphis
Memphis University School, Memphis
National Bank of Commerce, Memphis
nexAIR
Opryland Hotel, Nashville
Promus Corporation, Memphis
Rhodes College, Memphis
Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
Shea Law Firm, Memphis
South Trust Bank, Memphis
State University of New York at Binghamton, Binghamton, NY
The Cardiovascular Specialists, Memphis
The Art Collection at the Memphis International Airport, Memphis
The State of Tennessee Fine Arts Collection, Nashville
Tucson Museum of Art, Tucson
Union Planters National Bank, Memphis
Urban Arts Commission, Memphis International Airport, Memphis

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