## Vassilen Vasevski, MFA

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# **Academic Degrees**

AS Indiana-Purdue University, Fort Wayne, IN 2003 Commercial Arts MFA Academy of Fine Arts, Sofia, Bulgaria 1997 Painting

#### **Relevant Teaching and Professional Experience**

2007 - present Adjunct Faculty, Art and Architecture Dept. Harold Washington College, Chicago, IL
2003 - 2018 Professor, The Illinois Institute of Art – Chicago, IL
2003 - 2001 Adjunct Faculty, Visual Arts Dept., Indiana-Purdue University, Fort Wayne, IN
2006 - 2005 Production artist, Blain Kern Mardi Gras Studio, New Orleans, LA

## Selected list of exhibitions:

- 2020 Bafarian Gallery, Toronro, Canada (online)
- 2020 New Orleans Art Center, New Orleans, LA
- 2019 Bagrena Gallery, Mt. Prospect, IL
- 2019 Dobrovich Gallery, Sliven, Bulgaria
- 2019 Sofia Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria
- 2018 Olympia Center, Chicago, IL
- 2017 Terra School of Music, Glenview, IL
- 2016 Tea Alba Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria
- 2016 ABF Gallery, Treleborg, Sweden
- 2015 Bulgarian Embassy, Bruxelles, Belgium
- 2015 Seriakov Gallery, Troyan, Bulgaria
- 2014 National Palace of Culture, Sofia, Bulgaria
- 2014 Maastricht Art Fair, Maastricht, Netherlands
- 2013 First Presbyterian Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN
- 2013 Next Door Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2013 Copernicus Center, Brooklyn, NY
- 2012 Ukrainian National Museum, Chicago, IL
- 2012 National Gallery of Art, Sofia, Bulgaria
- 2012 Richard J. Daley Center, Chicago, IL
- 2011 MK Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2011 Depot Gallery, Beverly Shores, IN
- 2011 Morpho Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2010 Caviart Gallery, Houston, TX
- 2010 Chicago Art Open, Chicago, IL
- 2010 M&D Gallery, Chicago, IL

#### **Visiting Artist Lectures**

- 2015 Bulgarian Embassy, Bruxelles, Belgium
- 2013 Skokie Public Library, Skokie, IL
- 2008 Fulbright-Hays Foundation, Chicago, IL
- 2003 Foundation for Art and Music in Elementary Education, Fort Wayne, IN

<sup>\*</sup> Full list of exhibitions available upon request

#### **Reviews**

Popov, Chavdar (2018) "In search of the fleeting light. The art of Vassilen Vasevski", "Bulgarian writer" Publishing, Sofia Popov, Kiril (2016) "Gentle tones of female portraits and landscapes", "Bulgaria" newspaper, Chicago, Vol. XXVI, No 33/778

## **Professional awards**

2017 - Professor rank, Illinois Institute of Art – Chicago, IL

2015 - Union of the Bulgarian journalists, Sofia, Bulgaria

2013 - Skokie Art Guild annual art exhibition, Skokie, IL

2012 - Faculty member of the year, Harold Washington College

2011 - Associate Professor rank, Illinois Institute of Art – Chicago, IL

2009 - Special assistance grant, Illinois Art Council, Chicago, IL

2009 - Faculty member of the month of May, Illinois Institute of Art - Chicago, IL

2007 - Assistant Professor rank, Illinois Institute of Art – Chicago, IL

2007 - Special assistance grant, Illinois Art Council, Chicago, IL

# **Gallery affiliations**

Gallery 350, Chicago, IL Curb Gallery New York, NY TZ Gallery, Chicago, IL Artlink Gallery, Fort Wayne IN Hoosier Art Salon, Indianapolis, IN Gallery May, Sliven, Bulgaria

#### **Artists residencies**

2005 – Nova Zagora, Bulgaria 2001 – Grachatz, Croatia 1998 – Biograd, Croatia 1996 – Balchik, Bulgaria

# Membership in professional organizations

Bulgarian Artists Abroad, Chicago, IL (since 2007) Union of Bulgarian Artists, Sofia, Bulgaria (since 2007) Union of Bulgarian Journalists, Sofia, Bulgaria (since 2013) Union of Bulgarian writers, Sofia, Bulgaria (since 2016)

## Collections

Bulgarian Embassy, Bruxelles, Belgium Bulgarian Consulate, Chicago, IL City Council, Saint Louis, France City Council, Koping, Sweden Bulgarian Embassy, Zagreb, Croatia Bulgarian Consulate, New York, NY Indiana-Purdue University, Fort Wayne, IN City Gallery, Sliven, Bulgaria City Gallery, Yambol, Bulgaria City Gallery, Nova Zagora, Bulgaria