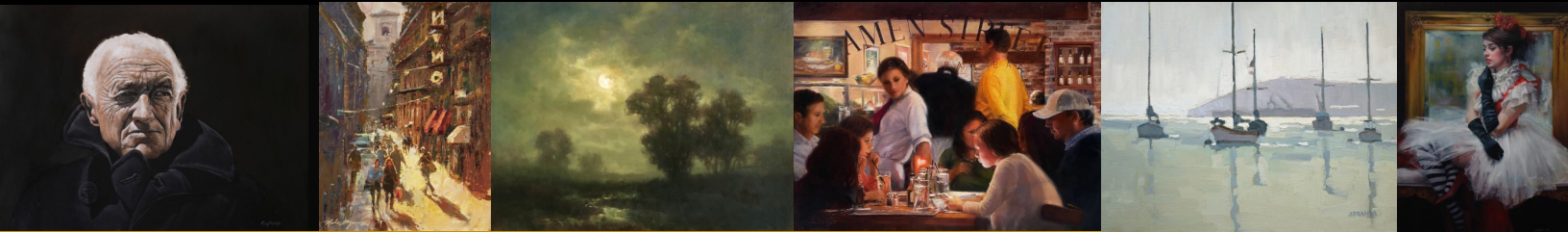


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PAUL STRAHM

Paul Strahm Born: Columbus, Ohio | Residence: San Diego, California | Education: Bachelor of Fine Art Youngstown State Univ.

Full Time Professional Artist Since 1997

Since becoming a full-time artist, Paul has been committed to being a 100% plein air painter, where works are done outside (or inside), on location, from start to finish.

A small painting is done in one two to three hour session and a large canvas may evolve over days, weeks or even months.

“My smaller, more intuitive paintings will push the envelope toward abstraction due in part to the short time allowed for its completion. Coming from the tradition of plein air painting, this abstraction puts me out on a limb. With my larger canvases the work becomes more contemplative. I like to say this is when I am studying — watching the light and shadow, examining the shapes and their relationships to one another, defining edges and searching for the natural colors in front of me. As a goal, I strive to paint as vigorously on a large format as I do with the smaller ones, yet maintain the same level of sensitivity to the composition and all of its components.”

It is often said that when one sees a Paul Strahm painting, they know immediately it is one of his works before they even look at the signature. Over time he has developed a style that is all his own.

Paul’s professional career takes him around the USA and the world, but has called San Diego his home since 1985.

Honors

Permanent Collection at the Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego

2014 | Painting titled *Cabrillo Bridge* was acquired by the Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego, to be part of their Permanent Collection

Featured Artist / Solo Show at the San Diego Art Institute

February/March 2008

Featured Artist at the 2013 Coronado Art Walk in Coronado, CA

September 2013

California Art Club’s Diego Chapter Chairman

2008–2010

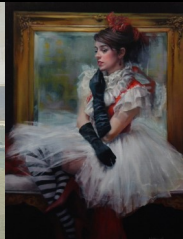
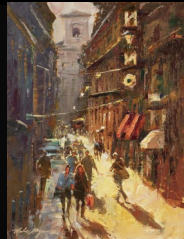
Featured Artist for Pacific Beach’s BeachFest Fall Festivals

1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003

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Juror

- Idyllwild Plein Air Festival (multiple years)
- San Dieguito Art Guild (multiple years)
- North Park Plein Air Competition

Awards

Runner Up

2011 | *Enniscorthy* was awarded Runner Up (Oil) at Europe's largest plein air competition Art in the Open • Wexford, Ireland

Best of Show

2010 | *Surf* was awarded Best of Show
Huntington Beach Plein Air Competition • Huntington Beach, CA

Best of Oil or Acrylic

2010 | *Fisherman's Wharf* was awarded Best of Oil or Acrylic
Carmel Art Festival • Carmel, CA

Best of Show

2011 | *North Park* was awarded Best of Show
North Park Plein Air Painting Competition • San Diego, CA

Juror's Award

2011 | *Hacienda del Sol* was given the Juror's Award
Borrego Springs Plein Air Invitational • Borrego Springs, CA

Washington Square Outdoor Art Exhibit Award

2014 | *Bow Bridge* was awarded at the 36th Annual Painting & Sculpture Juried Exhibition
Salmagundi Art Club • New York City, NY

1st Place & Honorable Mention

2010 | *Living Above On Granada St.* & *Flower Stand* were awarded 1st Place & Honorable Mention, respectively
North Park Plein Air Competition • San Diego, CA

1st Place

2010 | *Portico at the Mission* was awarded 1st Place
San Clemente Art Association Summer Judged Show • San Clemente, CA

1st Place

2009 | *Front Street* was awarded 1st Place
Ralph Love Plein Air • Temecula, CA

1st Place

2008 | *Cafe Aroma* was awarded 1st Place
Idyllwild Plein Air Art Festival • Idyllwild, CA

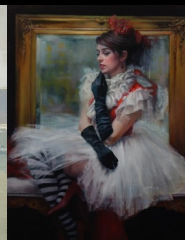
1st Place

2009 | *Strawberry Sandy* was awarded 1st Place
Idyllwild Plein Air Art Festival • Idyllwild, CA

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Juror's Choice Award

2005 | *Lawn Bowling in Balboa Park* was awarded Juror's Choice
San Diego Art Institute Regional Show • San Diego, CA

Award of Merit

2010 | *Martin's* was given an Award of Merit
Just Plein Fun • Balboa Island, CA

2nd Place

2009 | *Winter Morning at La Jolla Cove* was awarded 2nd Place
San Clemente Art Association Winter Judged Show • San Clemente, CA

2nd Place

2008 | *The Painted Garden* was awarded 2nd Place
Ralph Love Plein Air Competition • Temecula, CA

3rd Place, Mini Painting

2007 | *Station at the Pool* was awarded 3rd Place
San Diego County Fair • Del Mar, CA

Honorable Mention

2012 | *Morning Commute* received an Honorable Mention
Ohio Plein Air Society's Plein Air Competition • Athens, OH

Honorable Mention, Quick Draw

2008 | *Selma's* was awarded Honorable Mention in the Quick Draw
San Clemente Plein Air Painting Competition • San Clemente, CA

Honorable Mention, Masters Level

2010 | *Morning on the Lawn at Bernardo Winery* was awarded Honorable Mention, Masters Level
San Clemente Art Association Spring Judged Show • San Clemente, CA

Honorable Mention

2010 | *Fishing on the San Clemente Pier* received Honorable Mention
San Clemente Plein Air Competition • San Clemente, CA

Honorable Mention

2009 | *San Clemente Pier* received Honorable Mention
San Clemente Art Association Paint San Clemente Member Show • San Clemente, CA

Honorable Mention, Landscape – Oil

2007 | *Del Dios* was awarded Honorable Mention, Landscape-Oil
San Diego County Fair • Del Mar, CA

Merit Award

2005 | *Lily Rock* was given a Merit Award
Idyllwild Plein Air Art Festival • Idyllwild, CA

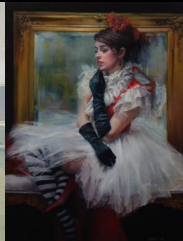
Artist's Choice Award

2006 | *Inspiration Point* was given the Artist's Choice Award
Idyllwild Plein Air Art Festival • Idyllwild, CA

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People's Choice Award

2005 | *Lily Rock* was honored with People's Choice Award

Idyllwild Plein Air Art Festival • Idyllwild, CA

Carson C. Cooke Award

2005 | *Lawn Bowling in Balboa Park* was awarded the Carson C. Cooke Award

YSU Alumni Exhibition • Youngstown, Ohio

Exhibitions

(Partial Listing)

California Art Club Gold Medal Exhibition

2008, 2017 | Participating Artist

Pasadena Museum of California Art (2008) & Autry Museum of the American West (2017) • Pasadena, California.

Oil Painters of America 17th Annual National Juried Exhibition of Traditional Oils

2008 | Participating Artist

Dana Gallery • Missoula, Montana

Salmagundi Art Club 36th Juried Painting & Sculpture Exhibition

2014 | Participating Artist & Award Recipient

Salmagundi Art Club • New York City, NY

Carmel Art Festival Plein Air Festival

2009 | Participating Artist

Carmel, CA

Featured Artist / Solo Show at the San Diego Art Institute

2008 | Solo Artist

San Diego Art Institute • San Diego, CA

Nature Improved Exhibition: San Diego Artists Interpret Our Landscape

2013–2014 | Participating Artist in Dual Juried Invitational

San Diego History Center and the Oceanside Museum of Art, CA

Southern California Regional Juried Award Exhibition

2008, 2010 | Participating Artist

San Diego Art Institute • San Diego, CA

San Luis Obispo Plein Air Festival

2008, 2009 | Participating Artist

San Luis Obispo, CA

Borrego Springs Plein Air Invitational

2009, 2010, 2018 | Participating Artist

Borrego Springs, CA

Youngstown State University Juried Alumni Show

2009, 2019 | Participating Artist

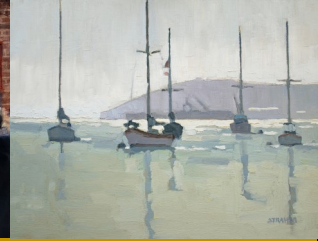
Youngstown, OH

Laguna Plein Air Painters Association Presents The 4th Annual Best of Plein Air Exhibition

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2008 | Participating Artist

Laguna Beach, California

Media

Television Documentary

2001 | Channel 4 San Diego Insider Show

Feature Cover Artist

2000 | La Jolla and Pacific Beach Visitor's Guides

San Diego, California

Collections

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Redlands Hospital

Painting titled *Moored on the Harbor* is in the Redlands Hospital collection.

Private Collectors and Other Public Entities

Since 1997