John E. Bannon

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EDUCATION

2004-2015 **Adjunct Assistant Professor** THE SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO

2002 **Master of Fine Arts in Studio** THE SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO Department of Art & Technology

1990 **Bachelor of Fine Arts in Painting** THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

2020-21 **Inaugural Artist in Residence Allerton Park and Retreat Center** UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS • Monticello, Illinois

People's Choice Award - *Drop* • WORKS IN PROGRESS IV • Fayetteville, NC

2017,15,13 **Catwalk Institute Artist Residency Scholarship** SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO • Catskill, New York

2011 **Individual Artist Support Grant** ILLINOIS ARTS COUNCIL

2009 **International Holography Fund Travel Grant** 8TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON DISPLAY HOLOGRAPHY Shenzhen, China

2008 **Artist in Residence Scholarship** OXBOW SCHOOL OF ART • Saugatuck, Michigan

2007 **Special Projects Assistance Grant** ILLINOIS ARTS COUNCIL

2006 **Governor's International Arts Exchange Grant** ILLINOIS ARTS COUNCIL

7th International Holography Symposium Visiting Artist Grant FUJI HUNT / FUJIFILM

Special Projects Grant THE SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO

2004 **Honorable Mention** Florida International Arts Competition FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

Community Arts Assistance Program Grant CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS

2001 **Exhibition Scholarship** THE SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO

1998 **Visiting Artist Grant** PENLAND SCHOOL OF ART • Penland, NC

1997 **Featured Artist** CHICAGO ARTISTS' MONTH • Chicago, IL

1996-95 **Finalist** REVERE GRAPHICS CALENDAR • Chicago, IL

1987 **Artistic Merit Tuition Waiver** THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

1985 **Blue Ribbon Finalist** SCHOLASTIC ART AWARDS • New York, NY

Honorable Mention etching and lithography HARPER AREA ART AWARDS • Palatine, IL

SELECTED PUBLIC ART PROJECTS

2025 ***27th Annual Art on the Streets*** • PUBLIC ART EXHIBITION • Colorado Springs, CO

HAPA 4th Annual Sculpture Competition • Hattiesburg, MI

Sculpture on the Lawn • ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ARTS & CULTURAL AFFAIRS • Orlando, FL

2024 ***Laumeier After Dark*** • Laumeier Sculpture Park, St. Louis, MO

Local Neon the ChicagoScene • KEN SAUNDERS GALLERY • Chicago, IL

Art on the River • PUBLIC ART EXHIBITION • Dubuque, IA

Lee's Summit Downtown Sculpture Walk • Lee's Summit, MO

2023 ***Drop*** THE CITY OF LIBERTY, MO

2022 ***Milestone*** SCULPTURE COMMISSION • Small Tube Products Corporation • Duncansville, PA

Rainbow Pyramid HOLOGRAPHIC LIGHT SCULPTURE • Wicker Park Fest • Chicago, USA

Why Knot? CHICAGO TREE PROJECT • Chicago, USA

2019 ***Breathe*** GLEAM • Olbrich Botanical Gardens • Madison, WI

2017 ***The Test of Time*** SCULPTURE COMMISSION • Rowan University • Glassboro, NJ

2016 ***Presenting the Past to the Future*** PUBLIC COMMISSION • Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority • Cleveland, OH

2013 ***Evlove*** City of Blue Springs • Blue Springs, MO

2010 ***Universe*** LOLLAPALOOZA MUSIC FESTIVAL • Chicago, IL

2005 ***Transit*** SCULPTURE COMMISSION • Chicago Transit Authority • Chicago, IL

2005 ***Eye Candy*** LOOPTOPIA • Chicago, IL

2003 ***Point of You*** ODYSSEY • Purdue University North Central • Westville, IN

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2021 ***Further Explorations in Perception*** ALLERTON PARK & RETREAT CENTER • Monticello, IL
2011 ***John E. Bannon*** DENÉ GALLERY • Geneva, IL
1998 ***Annual Neon and Light Exhibition: John E. Bannon*** ZENITH GALLERY • Washington DC
1995 ***Propaganda for Positive Thinking*** STUDIO HIP HOP • Chicago, IL
1994 ***Mental Gum*** THE ASYLUM • Chicago, IL
1993 ***Feast Your Eyes*** STUDIO HIP HOP • Chicago, IL
1990 ***Explorations in Perception*** LEVIS FACULTY CENTER • Urbana, IL

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

2024 **Local Neon the ChicagoScene · Ken Saunders Gallery · Chicago, IL**
2021 ***Neon and Light Museum*** POP UP EXHIBITION • Chicago, IL
2020 ***Works in Progress IV*** • Fayetteville, NC
On Neon KEN SAUNDERS GALLERY • Chicago, IL
Kirby Winter Wellness Walk Allerton Park and Retreat Center • Monticello, IL
2019 ***A Lifetime in the Making*** WATER STREET STUDIOS • Batavia, IL
GLEAM Art in a New Light OLBRICH BOTANICAL GARDENS • Madison, WI
Chicago Sculpture Exhibit CHICAGO, IL
2018 ***Art on the River*** THE PORT OF DUBUQUE • Dubuque, IA
Art on the Rooftop MONONA TERRACE • Madison, WI
2017 ***Chicago Sculpture Exhibition 2017*** • Chicago, IL
2016 ***Bending Brilliance*** The Bergstrom-Mahler Museum • Neenah,WI
Art on Clark 3D public sculpture exhibition • Chicago, IL
2015 ***Reflecting on Art from the Site Lines of Nature*** Catwalk Institute • Catskill, NY
2014 ***Art on Clark 3D*** public exhibition of two sculptures • Chicago, IL
Wicker Park Fest public exhibition of *Eye Candy* • Chicago, IL
Phases of the Moon Art and Music Festival public exhibition of *Universe* • Danville, IL
Neon and Plasma Exhibition GLASS ART CONFERENCE • Chicago, IL
2012 ***Chicago Park District Outdoor Sculpture Exhibition*** CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT Promontory Point • Chicago, IL
11th Annual Lakefront Sculpture Exhibition CHICAGO SCULPTURE EXHIBITION • Chicago, IL
2011 ***Come Together*** *inaugural exhibition* @ HAIRPIN ARTS CENTER • Chicago, IL
2010 ***9th Annual Lakefront Sculpture Exhibition*** CHICAGO SCULPTURE EXHIBITION • Chicago, IL
2008 ***Chicago Looks: Portraits of Chicago*** DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS • Chicago, IL
Looptopia CHICAGO LOOP ALLIANCE • Chicago, IL
2007 ***Odyssey 2007-08 Sculpture Exhibition*** PURDUE UNIVERSITY NORTH CENTRAL • Westville, IN
For Public Consumption HYDE PARK ARTS CENTER • Chicago, IL
2006 ***3D Discovery*** LUBEZNIK CENTER FOR THE ARTS • Michigan City, IN
2005 ***Odyssey 2004-05 Sculpture Exhibition*** PURDUE UNIVERSITY NORTH CENTRAL • Westville, IN
2004 ***Combined Talents Competition*** MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS AT FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY • Tallahassee, FL
2003 ***Odyssey 2003-04 Sculpture Exhibition*** PURDUE UNIVERSITY NORTH CENTRAL • Westville, IN
2002 ***Quirks and Quarks: The Idiosyncrasies of Four Emerging Artists*** FASSBENDER-STEVENS GALLERY • Chicago, IL
Odyssey 2002-03 Sculpture Exhibition PURDUE UNIVERSITY NORTH CENTRAL • Westville, IN
Master's Thesis Exhibition: The School of the Art Institute of Chicago G2 GALLERY • Chicago, IL
Enlightened Art *Biennial* BOB RAUSCHENBERG GALLERY • Fort Myers, FL
2001 ***Fluid Interfaces*** G2 GALLERY • Chicago, IL
2000 ***Enlightened Art Biennial*** LEE COUNTY ALLIANCE FOR THE ARTS • Fort Myers, FL
Dishman Art Competition 2000 LAMAR UNIVERSITY • Beaumont, TX