## PRINCIPLE GALLERY

### About the Artist: Kevin Fitzgerald

"In our world there exists a force which animates. This force manifests itself in everything around us. It is miraculous enough that anything should exist at all. That these things somehow become animate and alive is a miracle beyond words. An ocean of such miracles surrounds us and covers us in its beauty at every moment. I believe we may become reminded of this beauty through contact with the arts, particularly in the disciplines of painting and music; there, an imperfect portrait of this force can sometimes be achieved. The landscape, both cultivated and wild, can serve as a reminder of the beauty and power that exists beyond our grasp. There is always something happening in the landscape before us, and something is always about to happen. We are traveling along, almost unmindful of everything around us, when suddenly we are startled to see in a distant field a strange arrangement of color and light. We know that in a moment it will pass. Perhaps all we can manage to say is that it is beautiful. For an instant we feel the presence of the miracle once again, allowing itself to be revealed."

#### - Kevin Fitzgerald, May 2001

Kevin Fitzgerald was born in Washington D.C. in 1953. It was evident from an early age that Kevin was fascinated with painting. In high school, he began taking drawing classes at the Corcoran School of Art in 1970 and graduated from Surrattsville High School in 1971. In 1973, Kevin began attending the Maryland Institute, College of Art.

At the Maryland Institute, Kevin studied with the Chairman of Painting, Raoul Middleman, and he eventually became his studio assistant. In 1976, Kevin traveled alone across the country painting landscapes. This trip led him to Custer, South Dakota, where he worked under designer and sculptor Korczak Ziolkowski, on the Crazy Horse Memorial, which is the largest sculptural project ever attempted.

In 1977, he received his B.F.A. from the Maryland Institute, College of Art and in 1978 Kevin began work on his M.F.A. under full fellowship at George Washington University (GWU) in Washington, D.C. During his time at GWU he restored a 54-foot barge converting it into a floating studio. He completed his graduate studies

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while making paintings on the Patuxent River and surrounding Southern Maryland landscapes, Kevin graduated in 1982.

Kevin Fitzgerald's interest in painting is rooted in the works of masters from the 15th to the 20th century and their relationships to current forms. He has participated in numerous one person and group exhibitions and has the honor of having his work included in private collections throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, and Asia.

#### **Exhibitions:**

2018 Solo Exhibition at Principle Gallery Opens March 17th

2017 Solo Exhibition at Principle Gallery Opened March 17th Hugh's Gallery Boca Grande, FL Opened April 4th

2015 Solo Exhibition at Gallerie Sono October 2015 Solo Exhibition at Main Street Gallery November 2015

2014

Painting with Kevin Fitzgerald: Two Day Workshop
June 16, 10am – June 18, 3pm
Ocean City Center for the Arts
An Evening with Kevin Fitzgerald
Wednesday, July 9, 6-8pm
The Painterly Sublime, 2 Points of View at Troika Gallery
Special duo show with Raoul Middleman
July 11– August 25, 2014

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Plein Air Discussion with Kevin Fitzgerald August 7th, 6:30pm Ocean City Center for the Arts

2013

This Land

July 19 – September 20, 2013

Salisbury University Gallery Downtown Campus

Voice of America

Kevin Fitzgerald: Goodwill Ambassador to Southeast Asia Arts Program for Voice of America

Solo Exhibition at Main Street Gallery

October – November 2013

#### 2012

BFA Scholarship Fundraiser at Water's Edge Gallery — Each year Kevin Fitzgerald and Water's Edge Gallery awards a \$1000 college scholarship to a senior at Stephen Decatur High School who is planning to major in the fine arts. Berlin, MD Artist's Residency — Kevin Fitzgerald will be working as an artist-in-residence from June – December, 2012 at the Water's Edge Gallery in Berlin, MD. Stop by to see him working live on in-process projects on Thursdays from 1-5pm.

Celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Battle of Antietam

Kevin Fitzgerald's painting of Burnside's Bridge in Sharpsburg, Maryland will be on display for admirers of History and Art alike to admire.

Water's Edge Gallery

Berlin, MD

Solo Show at Troika Gallery

Easton, MD

New Paintings in Solo Show at Principle Gallery

Alexandria, VA

Palm Beach Arts & Antiques Show

Palm Beach, FL

2011

Solo Exhibition at Main Street Gallery

Annapolis, MD

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Painting Workshops at Water's Edge Gallery
Waters Edge Gallery
Berlin, MD
Two-person show at Water's Edge Gallery
Berlin, MD
New works at Troika Gallery
Easton, MD
BFA Scholarship Fundraiser Exhibition
Reception/Benefit Auction
Water's Edge Gallery
Berlin, MD
Baltimore Conservatory Invitational Show
The Howard Peters Rawlings Conservatory and Botanic Gardens

Baltimore, MD