

Benjamin F. Long IV

Painter & Draftsman

BIOGRAPHY

Reared in a family of Artists and Writers Long had a very culturally rich childhood which influenced him to follow the same pursuit. After University where he studied writing with Reynolds Price he moved to New York in order to begin his studies with the master drawing instructor Robert Beverly Hale and Frank Mason. In 1966 Long preempted the draft by enlisting in the US Marine Corp. He served two tours of duty as a Marine Combat Officer.

During his last four months he served as head of the Combat Art Team. After his Military Service he continued his studies by serving an apprenticeship with a Master Painter and Fresco Artist, Pietro Annigoni. For 9 Years he studied painting and the difficult art of True Fresco.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Work from his tour as Commander of the Combat Art Team in Vietnam on display at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C.
- Only non-Italian to have work in the Abbey de Montecassino
- Has completed the largest secular fresco in the United States.
- Included in the Art Renewal Center's exclusive and Trademarked list of "Living Masters"

AWARDS

1976: Leonardo da Vinci International Art Award

2001: Arthur Ross Award for Excellence in the Classical Tradition

2002: Distinguished Alumnus Award from his alma mater, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

2014: Long Leaf Pine Award

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2010 Greenville Museum of Art, Greenville, South Carolina
- 2005 Gibbs Museum un | spoken [SPACES]: Inside and Outside the Boundaries of Class, Race and Space
- 1995 Ogelthorpe Museum, Atlanta, Georgia
- 1994 Hickory Museum, Hickory, North Carolina
- 1972-1992 Gaston-McKenna Galleries, Charlotte, North Carolina
- 1982-1991 Pittore del Falterona, Catagno, Italy
- 1975-1991 Royal Portrait Society, London, England
- 1989-1990 American Realism Abroad; Travelling Exhibition: Colby College Museum of Art, Waterville,
- Maine, Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown Ohio, Wichita Kansas
- 1987 Wunderlich & Co New York, New York
- 1985 Lewis Weiller Competition: Paris, France, Meredith College Art Gallery Raleigh, North Carolina,;
- Roaring Gap exhibition, Roaring Gap North Carolina
- 1983 Galerie Robinson, Paris, France
- 1978 Chimera Gallery, San Francisco, California
- 1977 Saletta Gonnelli, Florence, Italy

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

The Fremantle Collection, Florence, Italy
The Josefowitz Collection, Lausanne, Switzerland
The Getty Collection, San Francisco, California
The Christie Miller Collection, London, England
The Thane of Cawdor Collection, Scotland
The Annigoni Collection, Florence, Italy
The Peace Sullivan Collection: Paris, France; Miami, Florida; New York, New York
The Chauncey Stillman Collection, Armenia, New York
The Dalton Collection, Charlotte, North Carolina
The Governor's Mansion Portrait Collection, Raleigh, North Carolina
The McColl Collection, Charlotte, North Carolina
Harvard Business School, Cambridge, Massachusetts
The Walker Wells Collection, Charlotte, North Carolina
Bank of America Corporate Collection, Charlotte, North Carolina
The Mint Museum of Art Collection, Charlotte, North Carolina
United States Marine Corps Historical Museum, Washington, District of Columbia
The William Madison Randall Library's Manuscripts Collection, Wilmington, North Carolina

FRESCO LOCATIONS

Abbey de Monte Cassino (*Monte Cassino, Italy*)
Buriano Station of the Cross (*Florence, Italy*)
Monastery of the St. Francis of Assisi (*Monte Catini Terme, Italy*)
St. Mary's Episcopal Church (*Jefferson, NC*)
Holy Trinity Church (*Jefferson, NC*)
St. Pauls Episcopal Church (*Wilkesboro, NC*)
Bank of America (*Charlotte, NC*)
Law Enforcement Center (*Charlotte, NC*)
Transamerica Dome (*Charlotte, NC*)
First Presbyterian Church (*Charlotte, NC*)
St. Peters Catholic Church (*Charlotte, NC*)
Chapel at Montreat College (*Montreat, NC*)
Statesville Civic Center (*Statesville, NC*)
Morganton Municipal Auditorium (*Morganton, NC*)
The Crossnore School (*Crossnore, NC*)
Charleston Hospice Center (*Charleston, SC*)
Ristorante La Maggiolata (*Lucignano, Italy*)
Wingate College (*Wingate, NC*)