Jack Malotte

Biography

Jack Malotte was born in Schurz, Nevada, lived in Lee, Nevada as a young boy, and eventually moved to Reno where he attended local schools including Wooster High School. At the California College of Arts and Crafts in Oakland, California (1971-74), he was influenced by the work of Arthur Okamura, Jack Mendenhall, and Chuck Close. Malotte also worked as a U.S. Forest Service Firefighter. Malotte, who is Western Shoshone and Washoe, currently resides in Duckwater, Nevada, a rural community located in central Nevada. He is an enrolled member of the South Fork Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone.

The Nevada Museum of Art presented The Art of Jack Malotte in 2019 and published a 240-page, hardcover book in conjunction with the exhibition. For more information or to purchase the book visit: https://www.nevadaart.org/art/exhibitions/jack-malotte/

The Art of Jack Malotte was presented at the Western Folklife Center in 2020.

Listen to Jack talk about his work in these videos: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7wbjy77m6hw and https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CmWzlz5nfbE