

Artist Statement

My work expresses deep feelings about my inner world and relationships. A life-changing sojourn in Japan and especially the ability of the Japanese people to "make space" internally in the midst of crowds greatly influences my work. My paintings are further inspired by living in the high desert of New Mexico where the land and skies – vibrantly colored, constantly shifting – captivate my imagination.

Through a contemporary gestural abstraction style, my work explores the experience of alternating constriction and expansion. At the start is a free mark-making stage. This is followed by repeated dives into the unfamiliar, with each step organically evolving from what came before. Layering with varied tolls and materials, painting becomes a physical and gestural process. Moving between great and small, dark and light, dense and open; adding and then subtracting, resulting in abstract imagery and their underlying structure.

Bio

Pat Pecorella earned a Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Michigan. She operated an independent film company in Chicago until relocating to Santa Fe, when she transitioned from filmmaking to art. Pat paints full time in her Santa Fe studio.

Education

PhD in Psychology

University of Michigan

Awards

Best in Show

Abstraction: A Fine Arts Collective Envision Arts, March 2019

Exhibitions

Stern Contemporary: Santa Fe, NM

Nov 2019 - Present



Santa Fe Studio Tour: Santa Fe, NM

Jun 2019

Santa Fe Community Gallery: Santa Fe, NM

New Mexico Sky Scapes: Juried Group Show, Jun - Sept 2019

Wild Things: San Francisco, CA

Exhibition Curated by Jen Tough, Feb - April 2019

Space 900: Evaston, IL

Synergia: Group show curated by Jill King, Mar 2019

Rock Paper Scissor SalonSpa: Santa Fe, NM

Solo Exhibition, Jan - Mar 2019

Envision Arts: Digital Exhibitions

• Spring Fling, May 2019

- Abstraction (BEST IN SHOW), Mar 2019
- Fervor, Jan 2019
- Black & White, Feb 2019

Eldorado Studio Tour: Santa Fe, NM

- Spring Studio Tour, May 2019
- Winter Studio Tour, Dec 2018
- Studio Tour, May 2016

Fuller Lodge Arts Center: Los Alamos, NM

Juried Exhibition: Under the Influence, Aug 2018

JFD Gallery

3 Intuitive Women Painting, May 2017 Group show curated by Justin Sachs