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WHO ARE YOU?

Hello, I'm Amy Callner. I do work on paper using ink, mixed media, and various printmaking techniques.

I love the permanence and commitment of ink to convey things that are fleeting, and there are few things as fleeting as the human condition. My figure drawing is often a tender recording of a person, sans background or much in the way of context. You really have to like strangers to draw them this way, and it demands an attention that gives way to affection. It has to. On the other hand, my non-figurative work is straight-up shade and wishful thinking. Put the two together, and you get some narrative work that is often autobiographical.

I was born and raised in the Chicago area and fell in love with printmaking at the age of fifteen. Between then and now, I've worn a lot of hats: community organizer, environmental activist, union researcher, roller derby queen, single parent, partnered parent, teacher, and artist. I live and work just over the DC border in Prince George's County, Maryland. I enjoy a good comic or graphic novel, and I don't do decaf.

WHAT IS IT YOU DO, EXACTLY?

Currently, I am a studio artist at Pyramid Atlantic Art Center in Hyattsville, where I maintain a private studio, make prints, and teach. My work is in private collections throughout the United States.

WHAT ARE YOUR CREDENTIALS?

I hold a BFA in printmaking from the Maryland Institute College of Art. Additionally, I have studied and practiced printmaking techniques at The Printmaking Workshop in

New York City, Anchor Graphics in Chicago, and The Chicago Printmakers Collaborative.

Between 2016 and 2022, I was a Printshop Associate at Pyramid Atlantic Art Center in Hyattsville, Maryland, where I assisted in maintaining the space, and moved the lithography practice towards a robustness and increased professionalism through revamping shop safety practices, increasing the stone library, and educating the public about and advocating for the medium. During this time, I taught classes to both adults and youth on drawing from observation, mixed media drawing, and printmaking techniques such as monotype, gelatin prints, relief printmaking, and lithography.

DO YOU BELONG TO ANY ORGANIZATIONS?

- Member, Maryland Art Place
- Member, Pyramid Atlantic Art Center
- Member, Southern Graphics Council
- Member, former Advisory Board Member, Labor Research Action Network

HAVE YOU RECEIVED ANY ACCOLADES?

- 2021 Speedball Art Products Alumni Scholarship
Big Ink, Pyramid Atlantic, Hyattsville, MD
October 2021
- 2022 Legion Paper Alumni Scholarship
Big Ink, Arvada Center, Arvada, Colorado
April 2022

HAVE I SEEN YOUR WORK HANGING ANYWHERE RECENTLY?

Solo

- **Take this Personally**
Ottobar
Baltimore, Maryland
August 5 – August 31, 2022
- **Nice Ink**
Fringe Baltimore
October - December 2018

Group Juried

- **Upbringing**
Rhizome DC
Washington, DC
February 1 – February 28, 2023
- **2022 Gabinetto Segreto IV**
The Vanderelli Room
Columbus, OH
July 23 - Aug 12, 2022
- **Tiny Show 2!**
Good Fast Cheap DC
Washington, DC
November 15 - November 24, 2019
- **Tiny Show!**
Brookland Exchange
Washington, DC
October 20, 2019
- **Misprints Exhibition**
Pyramid Atlantic Art Center
Hyattsville, MD
March 2019 - April 2019
- **Tales of the Sea**
South Haven Center for the Arts
South Haven, IN
May 19-July 14, 2018

Group Other

- **7th Annual 10x10 Member Invitational**
Pyramid Atlantic Art Center
Hyattsville, MD
November 19 – December 11, 2022
- **Leave Quietly - 2021 *Printmakers Connect* Member Print Exchange**
Mirabo Press
Buffalo, NY

Bolivar Art Gallery

University of Kentucky
Lexington, KY
February 1-25, 2022

Fluxus Chapel
Mumbai, India
2022

- **London Life Drawing Group Exhibition**
The Victoria
London, UK
July 12 - August 1, 2021
- **USPS Art Project**
InLiquid Gallery
Philadelphia, PA
November 23 - January 17, 2021
- **6th Annual 10x10 Member Invitational**
Pyramid Atlantic Art Center
Hyattsville, MD
November 14 - January 3, 2021
- **MASHUP: Election Year**
Pyramid Atlantic Art Center
Hyattsville, MD
September 26 - November 8, 2020
- **High (Virtual) Five Member Print Exchange and Exhibition**
Pyramid Atlantic Art Center
Hyattsville, MD
June 1 - June 29, 2020
- **5th Annual 10x10 Member Invitational**
Pyramid Atlantic Art Center
Hyattsville, MD
November 2019
- **MASHUP: Annual Members Show**
Pyramid Atlantic Art Center
Hyattsville, MD
April 26 - May 26, 2019
- **4th Annual 10x10 Member Invitational**
Pyramid Atlantic Art Center
Hyattsville, MD
December 2018

- **3rd Annual 10x10 Member Invitational**
Pyramid Atlantic Art Center
Hyattsville, MD
November 2017