

ELIZABETH MCGHEE

Born: 1985, California

Education:

2006-09 B.F.A., Cum Laude, Laguna College of Art and Design (LCAD), Laguna Beach, CA
2006-08 Lance Richlin Atelier, Torrance, CA

Solo Exhibitions:

2023 *Garden Views: Colored Pencil Memories*, Hortense Miller Garden, Laguna Beach, CA
2020 *Artist Spotlight: Elizabeth McGhee*, Laguna Beach, CA
2016 *Realist Symbolism: Unconventional Interpretations of the Familiar*,
Concordia University, Irvine, CA

Selected Group Exhibitions:

2026 *The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters*, Laguna Beach, CA
CAC Orange County Chapter Exhibition, Casa Romantica Cultural Center, San Clemente, CA
California Cool, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA
Winter Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
2025 *Art and Nature*, Gallery Q at the Susi Q, Laguna Beach, CA
Magical Moments: Suspensions of Time, FOA South Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA
The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA
Summer Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
114th Annual Gold Medal Juried Exhibition, VEFA Gallery, Torrance, CA
California Cool, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA
2024 *West Coast Artists*, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
Still Life, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
Laguna Beach Juried Exhibition, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
Winter Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
2023 Holiday Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
Summer Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA
The Festival Comes To The Pacific Club, Newport Beach, CA
Contemporary Classics, Kauffman Gallery, Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, PA
California Cool, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA
Winter Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
2022 *Amusing Still Lives*, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA
Summer Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
111th Annual Gold Medal Juried Exhibition, Bowers Museum, Santa Ana, CA
2021 *The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters*, Laguna Beach, CA
110th Annual Gold Medal Juried Exhibition, Hilbert Museum, Orange, CA
Still Life 2021, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
California Cool, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA
Winter Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
2020 *The Festival of Arts/Pageant of the Masters*, Laguna Beach, CA
Featured Artist, Laguna Beach Public Library, Laguna Beach, CA
109th Annual Gold Medal Juried Exhibition (Online), Hilbert Museum, Orange, CA

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- 2019
- Insider Art*, CAP Gallery, Wells Fargo Bank, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Likeness*, VRFA Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Word and Image*, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA
 - California Cool*, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Auditory Memories*, University of California, Irvine, CA
 - Winter Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
 - The Female Eye*, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
 - The Festival of Arts/Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Summer Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
 - Artists' Fund Board Member Show, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Shoreline*, Gallery Q, Laguna Beach, CA
 - 108th Annual Gold Medal Juried Exhibition, California Art Club, Pasadena, CA
 - The Imaginary*, Carnegie Art Museum, Oxnard, CA
- 2018
- California Cool*, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Chosen Objects*, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
 - Summer Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY
 - The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA
 - 107th Annual Gold Medal Juried Exhibition, California Art Club, Autry Museum, Los Angeles, CA
 - Artists' Fund Board Member Show, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Portraits*, Gallery Q, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2017
- California Cool*, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Meet the Artist*, Pacific Club, Newport Beach, CA
 - The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Encore!*, CAP, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
 - The Art of Travel*, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Paint the Town: Laguna Beach*, Gallery Q, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Artists' Fund Board Member Show, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
 - 106th Annual Gold Medal Juried Exhibition, California Art Club, Autry Museum, Los Angeles, CA
 - Art That's Small at City Hall*, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Young Guns*, Festival of Arts South Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA
 - California Cool*, Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2016
- Art and Nature*, Gallery Q, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Small Works Group Art Show, Los Angeles County Store, Los Angeles, CA
 - 32nd Annual National Juried Show, North Valley Art League, Redding, CA
 - The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Artists' Fund Board Member Show, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
 - 105th Annual Gold Medal Juried Exhibition, California Art Club, Autry Museum, Los Angeles, CA
 - Portraits*, CAP 2nd Floor Gallery at Wells Fargo Bank, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2015
- Laguna Beach Juried Exhibition, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Subjective Truths*, Carnegie Art Museum, Oxnard, CA
 - The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Happiness Is...*, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
 - Artists' Fund Board Member Show, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
 - 104th Annual Gold Medal Juried Exhibition, California Art Club, USC Fisher Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA
 - The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA

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- 2014 Artists' Fund Board Member Show, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
Portraits of the Fallen, Nixon Presidential Library, Yorba Linda, CA
Art That's Small at City Hall, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2013 30th Annual National Juried Show, North Valley Art League, Redding, CA
6 Inch Squared, Randy Higbee Gallery, Costa Mesa, CA
 Beyond Borders Juried Exhibition, Randy Higbee Gallery, Costa Mesa, CA
 The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA
 34th Annual Mini-Works on Paper Juried Exhibition, Jackson State University, Jacksonville, AL
Our Town, LOCA, Laguna Nursery, Laguna Beach, CA
Art That's Small at City Hall, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
Figures and Faces, Festival of Arts Wells Fargo Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA
Playground - Art of Childhood, Sebastopol Center for the Arts, Sebastopol, CA
 29th Annual National Juried Show, North Valley Art League, Redding, CA
- 2012 Small Packages Juried Exhibition, Art Beat on Main Street Gallery, Vista, CA
Animalier: The Animal in Contemporary Art Juried Exhibition, Graceful Arts Gallery and Studios, Alva, OK
FISH Juried Exhibition, University of Oklahoma School of Art and History, Norman, OK
 Laguna Beach Juried Exhibition, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
Laguna In the Round, Don Beres Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA
Potpourri, Festival of Arts Wells Fargo Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA
Inside the Artist's Studio: Still Life and Interiors Juried Exhibition, Altadena Town and Country Club, Altadena, CA
 The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA
Black is Back, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
 Summer Show, San Clemente Art Club, San Clemente, CA
Art That's Small at City Hall, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2011 Laguna Beach Juried Exhibition, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
The Great 948, The Orange County Great Park, Irvine, CA
Mixed Bag, Festival of Arts Wells Fargo Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA
 The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA
Go Gold, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
Guajome Days, Rancho Guajome Adobe Museum, Vista, CA
 Mission Federal Art Walk, San Diego, CA
Art That's Small at City Hall, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
BlueCanvas Issue 7 Launch Event, Spring Arts Tower, Los Angeles, CA
Portrait Show, Festival of Arts Wells Fargo Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2010 Studio Arts Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA
 The Festival of Arts/ Pageant of the Masters, Laguna Beach, CA
 2010 Preview, Festival of Arts Wells Fargo Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA
Into the Blue, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
Grapes for Grads, Tivoli Too, Laguna Beach, CA
Art That's Small at City Hall, Laguna Beach City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
Guest Artist, Surf and Sand Resort, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2009 Orange County Fair, Costa Mesa, CA
 Industry Open House, LCAD, Laguna Beach, CA
 Senior Fine Art Show, Seven Degrees Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA
 Best of the Best: Juried Student Exhibition, LCAD, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2008 Professional Mentoring Program, De Ru Fine Arts, Laguna Beach, CA

Honors and Awards:

- 2024 Honorable Mention, Laguna Beach Juried Exhibition, Laguna Beach City Hall, CA
Western Art & Architecture Award of Excellence, 114th Annual Gold Medal Juried Exhibition, Hilbert Museum, Orange, CA
Most Creative Use of Materials, Festival Recycled Fashion Show, Laguna Beach, CA
Nominated for Artist of the Year, Art Star Awards, Laguna Beach Arts Alliance, CA
Winner, Professional Artist Category, Creative Quarterly Magazine
- 2023 Most Creative Use of Materials, Festival Recycled Fashion Show, Laguna Beach, CA
People's Choice Award, Festival Recycled Fashion Show, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2022 3rd Place, Art-to-Go Best in Show, Artist's Fund, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2021 3rd Place, Art That's Small at City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2020 1st Place, Victory Garden, South Laguna Community Garden Park, Laguna Beach, CA
1st Place, Best Oil Painter, Laguna Beach Vibe Magazine, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2019 Best In Theme, Festival Recycled Fashion Show, Laguna Beach, CA
2nd Place, Best Oil Painter, Laguna Beach Vibe Magazine, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2018 Editor's Choice Award, American Art Collector Magazine
Honorable Mention, Red Hot, Artist's Fund, Laguna Beach, CA
Merit Grant, LOCA Arts Education Emeritus Board, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2017 Most Creative Concept, Festival Recycled Fashion Show, Laguna Beach, CA
1st Place, Art That's Small at City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2016 Award of Merit, 32nd Annual National Show, NVAL, Redding, CA
2nd Place, Art That's Small at City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2015 1st Place, Laguna Beach Juried Exhibition, Laguna Beach City Hall, CA
Most Creative Concept, Festival Recycled Fashion Show, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2014 2013 Top 25: Fine Art, Creative Quarterly Magazine
Honorable Mention, Art That's Small at City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
People's Choice Award, 30th Annual National Show, NVAL, Redding, CA
Honorable Mention, Portraits VI, MyArtContest.com
- 2013 Most Amazing Ensemble, Festival Recycled Fashion Show, Laguna Beach, CA
Elected as an Artist Member, The California Art Club, Pasadena, CA
Award of Merit, 29th Annual National Show, NVAL, Redding, CA
- 2012 3rd Place, Small Packages, Art Beat on Main Street Gallery, Vista, CA
1st Place, Laguna Beach Juried Exhibition, Laguna Beach City Hall, CA
Most Amazing Ensemble, Festival Recycled Fashion Show, Laguna Beach, CA
Honorable Mention, Art That's Small at City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2011 3rd Place, Festival Recycled Fashion Show, Laguna Beach, CA
1st Place, Art That's Small at City Hall, Laguna Beach, CA
- 2006 Academic Scholarship Laguna College of Art and Design, CA
Merit Scholarship, Lance Richlin Atelier, CA
- 2003 Gold Key, and Silver Key, Scholastic Juried Exhibition, Los Angeles, CA
- 2002 California Arts Scholar, California State Summer School of the Arts
California Governor's Scholarship

Publications/ News:

- 2025 American Art Collector, June Issue 236
Western Art and Architecture Magazine, June
Can't Make An Omlette, Le Monde Diplomatic, Paris, France, January
- 2024 Creative Quarterly Annual

- Recycled, Reused and Reimagined, StuNews Laguna, 8/23
 Artist of the Year Nominees Are Announced, Theresa Keegan, Stu News Laguna 4/5
 FOA Artists Celebrate the Myths, Mysteries and Magic of Women This March, Marrie Stone, Stu News Laguna 3/1
- 2023 Festival of Arts at City Hall: Moments in Collective Memory, Stu News Laguna 1/5
 Laguna Beach Keeps Its Artistic History Alive, Kim Pemberton, Times Colonist, Victoria, B.C., Canada 12/9
- Some Like it Haute: Fashion Show, Daily Pilot, LA Times 9/30
 Artful Awareness, Laguna Beach Magazine, 3/24
- 2022 Festival of Arts Exhibitors Share In Platter Painting To Help Other Artists, Daily Pilot- Los Angeles Times, 8/6
- 2021 Modern Stills, American Art Collector, June
 Festival of Arts to Return in Laguna Beach After COVID-19 Shutdown, Los Angeles Times, 4/19
- 2020 Selections from the Festival of Arts Permanent Art Collection, Pat Sparkuhl, Festival of Arts, Laguna Beach, CA
 Artist Interview, Artist's Corner, 93.5 FM Laguna Beach 1/20
 Mixing the Genres, American Art Collector, January
- 2019 Baker, Tora, "The Female Eye: Paintings by Female Realist Artists That Explore Their 'Everyday Truths'", Creative Boom, Spring
 Artist Interview, Artist's Corner, 93.5 FM Laguna Beach 9/9
 The Female Eye, American Art Collector Magazine, September
 Laguna! Life and People: The Memory Collector, StuNews Laguna, 7/23
 Pageant of the Masters and Festival of Arts, KTLA Morning News 7/10
 The Artists' Fund, Artwalking Radio, 93.5 FM Laguna Beach 6/2
 A Contemporary Lens, American Art Collector Magazine, April
 Costumes, Artists and Live Sculptures: A look at Laguna Beach Festival of Arts Pageant of the Masters, Good Day LA, Fox 11 7/16
- 2018 Pageant of the Masters and Festival of Arts, KTLA Morning News 7/12
 86th Annual Festival of Arts Fine Art Show, CBS San Diego 7/6
 Artist Interview, Rainbow Radio, 93.5 FM Laguna Beach 6/30
- 2017 LOCA Celebrates 25 years, Laguna Beach Art Patron Magazine, spring issue
 At the Festival of Arts Recycled Fashion Show, Orange County Register, 8/12
 Awards - Art That's Small, Laguna Beach Art Patron Magazine, Summer
- 2016 FOA Adds to the Collection, Laguna Beach Independent, 8/12
 Fashion Meets Art on the Runway, Laguna Beach Independent, 8/12
 Style and Substance Flourish Even in the 84th Year, Laguna Beach Independent, 7/29
 Circus Cabaret Supports Art Education, Laguna Beach Independent, 4/15
 Highlighting the Younger Set at the Gold Medal, California Art Club Newsletter, Spring
 Three Artists Present Portraiture, Laguna Beach Independent, 1/21
 McGhee Opens Art Club, Laguna Beach Independent, 1/15
- 2015 TRAC Catalogue, Ventura, CA
 Subjective Truths at the Carnegie, Susan Zannos, Ventura County Reporter, 10/1
 Lost. Found. Treasured, by David Ferrell, Orange County Register, 9/7
 Laguna Artist Elizabeth McGhee Finds Beauty in the Past, by David Ferrell, Coast Magazine, 8/26
 Beauty, Creativity Abound at Fashion Show, Laguna Beach Independent, 8/19
 Walk the Red Carpet..., Los Angeles Times, 8/7
 Lumina Magazine, Spring Issue

- 2014 Artist Portfolio Magazine's Portrait Issue
In Laguna Beach, Walking and Talking, KCET, 10/29
100 Best Annual 2013, Creative Quarterly Magazine
- 2013 The Art of a Storyteller, by Daniella Walsh, Laguna Beach Art Magazine, Winter
From Fine Art To Found Fashion, Coastline Pilot 8/27
Beneath the Paint Lies a Hidden Talent, Laguna Beach Independent, 7/03
A New Archetype Is Born, Laguna Beach Independent 8/23
Elizabeth McGhee Reveals New Mythological Portrait, Stu News Laguna 8/27
Mythica Series, Creative Quarterly Magazine, Spring/ Summer 2013
- 2012 Recycled Materials Reworked, Laguna Beach Independent, 8/24
Reusable High Fashion, Coastline Pilot, 8/24
Recycled Fashions Make a Statement, Orange County Register, 8/23
Artist Interview, CNC World News, Aired 9/3
- 2011 Festivals' Final Days of Fun, Coastline Pilot, 8/25
Reclaimed Fashion Showcases, Laguna Beach Independent, 8/25
Recycled Fashion Show..., Orange County Register, 8/20
Festival of Arts Inspires Marriage Proposals, Orange County Register
Commissioned For Love, Coastline Pilot, 8/9
Amid Sculptures and Paintings, Laguna Beach Independent, 8/9
Our Laguna: Artists are the Heart of the Festival Season, Coastline Pilot
Winners of Art That's Small, Coastline Pilot, 4/28
Photograph of the artist and her work, Coastline Pilot, 1/14
Art Walk Preview for January, Blogdowntown.com, 1/12
- 2010 Photograph of the artist and her work, Coastline Pilot, 7/2
A Family Affair for First Time Exhibitor, by Daniella Walsh, Laguna Beach Independent, 7/2
Artist profile, Bluecanvas Magazine, Issue Three
- 2009 Bluecanvas.com featured online artist, November

Selected Collections:

Lea Thompson, actress
Ed Stasium, record producer
Laguna College of Art and Design Permanent Collection (LCAD)
Jonathan Burke, president of LCAD
Dennis Power, former president of LCAD
The Festival of Arts/Pageant of the Masters Permanent Collection
Ed Rodriguez, gallery owner of RDZ Gallery in Miami
Peter Blake, gallery owner of Peter Blake Gallery
Mark Montano, designer and tv personality
Donna Ballard, arts commissioner for the city of Laguna Beach
Toni Iseman, mayor of Laguna Beach
Joan Irvine Smith, philanthropist
Tom and Elizabeth Tierney, philanthropists
Nelson Coates, film set designer