

## **Sharon H.J. Cheng**

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Sharon H.J. Cheng, a New York Foundation for the Arts/ MARK09 artist, is originally from Taiwan, where she earned her degrees in Arts. Later, she studied art conservation and architecture in the United States. Since July 2000, she has lived in Potsdam, New York, where she regained her passion for oil painting. Sharon H.J. Cheng has been actively showing her paintings in solo exhibitions, open studio tours, regional and international juried and group exhibitions. She had three solo shows at the Pleiades Gallery in New York, of which she had been a member from 2008 to 2014. Sharon's paintings have been selected in the SLC Arts Council's 2014 to 2018 Fine Art Up North Calendars. She was the featured artist in the 2014 spring issue of ARTS QUARTERLY, SLC ARTS. Recently Sharon has also developed interests in contemporary Sumi-E and mixed media sculpture. The variety of media has sharpened her sensibility in wider range of artistic forms.

In 2016 July, Sharon returned to Taipei, Taiwan where she left almost 30 year ago, in corporate with her husband's one-year sabbatical leave. She has been very grateful for this opportunity to rediscover the new Taiwan. During the stay, she has taken so much new energy from this adventure to her artistic practice. As time passing silently, the exciting year was quickly over with two back-to-back solo exhibitions held in Taipei, one at the Nankang Software Research Park and one at YIYU ARTS. Blessed with refreshing energy and new experiences from Taiwan, Sharon is currently settled and continues to face her own unendingly artistic challenges in her North Country studio.

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### Exhibitions

#### Solo Exhibitions

- 2017     Circles in My Heart, YIYU ARTS, Taipei, Taiwan  
           Circles in My Heart, Nankang Software Park, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2016     Beyond Gravity and Horizon, Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts,  
           Blue Mountain Lake, New York
- 2015     Sharon H.J. Cheng –Artist in Residence, The Art of Wellness Program,  
           Canton-Potsdam Hospital, Potsdam, NY  
           Echo, First Crush Art Serials, Potsdam, New York
- 2014     In and between the Air, Pleiades Gallery of Contemporary Art, New  
           York, New York  
           Artists' Studio Tour, Organized by St. Lawrence County Arts Council,  
           Potsdam, New York
- 2013     Finding that Perfect Cloud, Silver Tips Art Shows, Tarrytown, New York  
           Artists' Studio Tour, Organized by St. Lawrence County Arts Council,  
           Potsdam, New York
- 2012     In the Realm of Clouds and Origami, Pleiades Gallery of Contemporary  
           Art, New York, New York  
           Artists' Studio Tour, Organized by St. Lawrence County Arts Council,  
           Potsdam, New York
- 2011     Sharon H.J. Cheng Oil Paintings Solo Show, Silver Tips Art Shows,  
           Tarrytown, New York
- 2010     Chasing Poetry, Pleiades Gallery, New York, New York  
           Artists' Studio Tour, Organized by St. Lawrence County Arts Council,  
           Potsdam, New York
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           Potsdam, New York
- 2008     Artists' Studio Tour, Organized by St. Lawrence County Arts Council,  
           Potsdam, New York

2006 Sharon H.J. Cheng Oil Paintings Show, St. Lawrence County Arts Council, Potsdam, New York

### **Juried and Group Exhibitions**

2018 Art Happening, Curator Ola Aldous, Canton, New York

2017 International Juried Art Exhibit, Juror Stephen Horne, Frederic Remington Art Museum, Ogdensburg, New York

2<sup>nd</sup> Taiwan Annual, Association of the Visual Arts in Taiwan, Taipei, Taiwan

LIFE/ ART/ LIFE, Curators Jason Kung and Nevia, Venice, Italy

2016 International Shoebox Art Exhibition Tour, Curator Yu-Whuan Wang, Sun Moon Gallery, Maizuru, and Begin Gallery, Kyoto, Japan

Inspired by Music, St. Lawrence County Arts Council, Potsdam, New York

Members' Juried Art Exhibit, Juror Catherine Tedford, Frederic Remington Art Museum, Ogdensburg, New York

2015 SLC Arts Members Show, Jurors Theresa Samways, Hilary Emerson Lay, Romi Sebald and Trish Varney, Gibson Gallery, SUNY in Potsdam, NY

Members' Juried Art Exhibit, Juror Sharon H.J. Cheng, Frederic Remington Art Museum, Ogdensburg, New York

Small Works Show, Pleiades Gallery, New York, New York

2013 Artist Fair 2013, Association of the Visual Arts in Taiwan, Taipei and Tainan, Taiwan

Peace Framed, Curator Rebekah Wilkins-Pepiton, St. Lawrence County Arts Council, Potsdam, New York

New Work for a New Year, Curator Rebekah Wilkins-Pepiton, St. Lawrence County Arts Council, Potsdam, New York

2012 Artist Fair 2012, Association of the Visual Arts in Taiwan, Tai-Chung and Taipei, Taiwan

Members Group Show, Pleiades Gallery, New York, New York

2011 Fred and Friends, Curator Laura Foster, Frederic Remington Art Museum, Ogdensburg, New York

Artist Fair 2011, Association of the Visual Arts in Taiwan, Taipei and Kao-Hsiung, Taiwan

Cover Art Exhibition, Arts Council for the Northern Adirondacks, Lake Placid Center for the Arts, Lake Placid, New York

Members Group Show, Pleiades Gallery, New York, New York

- 2010 The Viebranz Literary Salon Series II -Three Contemporary Artists, Curator Peter Selgin, St. Lawrence University, Canton, New York  
NYS Juried Art Exhibit 2010, Frederic Remington Art Museum, Ogdensburg, New York  
Members Group Show, Pleiades Gallery, New York, New York
- 2009 MIXED DOZEN MARK ARTISTS, St. Lawrence County Arts Council, Potsdam, New York  
Members Group Show, Pleiades Gallery, New York City, New York
- 2008 Art for Healing, St. Lawrence County Arts Council, Curator Hillary Oak, Potsdam, New York  
Community Exhibition, Creative Spirit Community Art Center, Potsdam, New York  
Annual Juried Art Exhibition, Massena Artists Association, Massena, New York
- 2007 International Juried Art Exhibit, Juror Gwynn Hamilton, Frederic Remington Art Museum, Ogdensburg, New York
- 2006 Honor Our Mother and Father Juried Art Show, St. Lawrence County Arts Council, Potsdam, New York
- 2005 International Juried Art Exhibit, Juror Roger Bailey, Frederic Remington Art Museum, Ogdensburg, New York
- 2004 Annual Juried Art Exhibition, Massena Artists Association, Massena, New York  
A Diversity of Women Artists, Curator Hillary Oak, Creative Spirit Art Center, Potsdam, New York  
North Country Regional Juried Art Show, Jurors Richard Zakin and Dr. Helen Zakin, Gibson Gallery, SUNY Potsdam, Potsdam, New York
- 2003 International Juried Art Exhibit, Jurors Dianne Drayse Alonso and Dorothy Limouze, Frederic Remington Art Museum, Ogdensburg, New York

## **Awards**

- 2011 Grant, Strategic Opportunity Stipend (SOS) from the New York Foundation for the Arts and the Arts Council for the Northern Adirondacks
- 2010 Grant, Strategic Opportunity Stipend (SOS) from the New York Foundation for the Arts and the Arts Council for the Northern Adirondacks
- 2009 MARK '09 NYFA Award, New York Foundation for the Arts

1989 Grant, the Starr Foundation Fellowship, organized by the Asian Art Conservation, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

## **Experience**

- 2015 Fall Program Coordinator, St. Lawrence County Arts Council, Potsdam, New York
- Juror, 2015 Members' Juried Art Exhibit, Frederic Remington Art Museum, Ogdensburg, New York
- Instructor, Center for Lifelong Education and Recreation, SUNY Potsdam, Potsdam, New York
- 2014 Instructor, St Lawrence County Art Educator Professional Development, SLC Arts Council, Potsdam, NY
- Instructor, Center for Lifelong Education and Recreation, SUNY Potsdam, Potsdam, New York
- 2013 Instructor, Center for Lifelong Education and Recreation, SUNY Potsdam, Potsdam, New York
- 1990-91 Assistant Painting Conservator, Hirabayashi Studio, New Orleans, Louisiana
- 1987-88 Conservator, Acquisition & Registration Department, Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, Taiwan
- Oil Painting Instructor, Art Studio, Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, Taiwan
- Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Civil Engineering, Chung-Yuang Christian University, Taught Art Appreciation, Chung-Li, Taiwan
- Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Applied Arts, National Taiwan University of Arts, Taught Chinese Traditional Pattern, and Drawing, Banciao, Taiwan
- 1985-87 Assistant Curator, Exhibition Department, Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, Taiwan
- 1984-85 Editor, Education & Promotion Department, Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, Taiwan
- 1980-81 Instructor, Society of Fine Arts Studies, Chinese Marine College, Taipei, Taiwan

## **Education**

1994 School of Architecture, Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana

- 1989-90 Special Student, Conservation Center, Institute of Fine Arts, New York University, New York
- 1981-84 M.A. Degree, Graduate Institute of Fine Arts, National Taiwan Normal University, Taipei, Taiwan
- 1976-80 B.A. Degree, Department of Fine Arts, Chinese Culture University, Taipei, Taiwan

### **Professional Training**

- 2009 MARK09, New York Foundation for the Arts, and North Country Regional Partner-St. Lawrence County Arts Council, Potsdam, New York