



DAVID KRILOV

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ARTIST'S STATEMENT

Unleashing the Healing Power of Water

Through the language of art, David Krilov is a modern abstract expressionist artist influenced by unleashing the healing power of water. Many of us find ourselves exhausted, burned out, struggling to catch a break or rest for our lives. We need a recharge. Water and art can help.

Neuroscientists say spending time near oceans, lakes, rivers and other blue bodies of water can provide a range of benefits including reducing anxiety, easing mental fatigue and re-energizing us. Bodies of water, whether it be the ocean, lake, fountain, rain, a sprinkler, or even a painting that connotes water, can produce a glorious sense of awe. This awe is the emotional response to something vast that expands and challenges how we see the world, and awe can decrease stress and help us put things into perspective. Researchers have shown that water gives our brain a break from the intense, focused attention that much of daily life requires and that can be cognitively depleting.

Often, Dave's abstract art can imaginatively denote water that provides that sense of rest, peace, and awe. His art reflects the properties of water, that are dynamic as it moves in a rhythmic way, producing a play of light, color and sound that is mesmerizing. It can hold our attention. Ultimately, David's desire is for the viewer to experience his paintings with their own subjective experience and life story through the healing power of water.

To this end, he uses a couple of techniques and styles that all reflect the nature and properties of water. He stains and pushes paint into the canvas, creating spaces, edges, and gestures that are used with layer over layer of paint in a fluid and water-like manner. He flares out paint one over another, erasing through burns, layering veils of stains, as well as allowing fluid paint to take a life on its own... just like water to provide a refreshing sense of rest for the soul.

In addition to abstract expressionist paintings that are influenced by water, some of his work combines abstract expressionism with a more modern form of medium: street art stenciling and spray. Often, these paintings are social commentaries on our modern life and times: the juxtaposition between disorder and rest. Yet, they provide a striking beauty that exists between the balance of reality and hope, and the underlaying power of water that can provide a way forward toward that equation.

His major influences include Jules Olitski, Mark Rothko, Clyfford Still, Barnett Newman, Gerhard Richter, Makoto Fujimura, Sam Lock, Jean-Michel Basquiat, Banksy, and William Turner.

He currently lives with his wife and kids in the beautiful log-cabin, biking, and lake community of Medford Lakes, New Jersey, and has participated in a number of local exhibitions, as well as having his work shipped to collectors around the world.



BORN 1979, Marlton, NJ
LIVES AND WORKS Medford Lakes, NJ

EDUCATION

BA, University of Delaware
Minor in Fine Art, University of Delaware
Master of Arts in Religion, Liberty Theological Seminary
Studied under:
 Dr. Lucy Krilov, College of New Jersey
 Rene Marquez, University of Delaware

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

2022 Online Exhibition, Website
2019 Group Exhibition, Medford Art Walk, Medford, NJ
2019 Solo Exhibition, Lower Forge Brewery, Medford, NJ
2018 Byron Group Exhibition, Plainsboro, NJ
2018 Solo Exhibition, Braddock's, Medford, NJ
2017 *Atmosphere & Spaces*, Eiland Arts Gallery, Merchantville, NJ
2017 Kaleidoscopic Conversations, FAC Prayer Wall, Medford, NJ
2016 Annual Juried Art Show, Ocean City Arts Center, Ocean City, NJ
2016 Group Exhibition, Ocean City Fine Arts League, Ocean City, NJ
2015 Holman Art Show, Mt. Laurel, NJ
2007 Creative Genius Gallery, Medford, NJ
2001 University of Delaware Art Show, Newark, DE

COLLECTIONS

Crossroads Church, Shamong, NJ
Fellowship Alliance Chapel, Medford, NJ
Private Collection, Spain
Private Collection, South Africa
Private Collection, Mt. Laurel, NJ
Private Collection, Marlton, NJ
Private Collection, Connecticut
Private Collection, The Villages, Florida
Private Collection, Los Angeles, California
Private Collection, Atlanta, Georgia
Private Collection, San Diego, California
Private Collection, Calgary, Alberta, Canada

