

Resume

Ben Livingston

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Born August 2, 1958 - Victoria, Texas USA

Apprenticeships and Mentoring

Washington Project for the Arts, Washington, DC

Stephen Antonakos, Artist, NY, NY

Pebbles Wadsworth, Director - UT Performing Arts Center, Austin, TX

Artist residency, Context Art Center, Charlotte, NC

Janet Lenox Moyer - Lighting Designer/Educator, UC Berkeley & RPI, Troy, NY

Rudi Stern, Author, NY, NY

Fritz Ozuna, Texas Neon, San Antonio, TX

Jesus Morales, Sculptor, Rockport, TX

Denny Bruce, Music Producer, LA, CA

John Sayles, Writer/director, Guilford, CT

Jeff Ragsdale, Whitney (ISP), Artist/Musician, Austin, TX

Bill Browder, Musician, Austin, TX

Neil Chavigny, Marfa, TX

Daniel F. Morris, Austin, TX

Robert Jackson PhD, Author, Raleigh, NC

Honors & Awards

2010 Where the Roses Get Red, University of Texas permanent collection, Bass Concert Hall

2009 Glass Arts Society, Corning Glass Museum workshop, Corning, NY

2005 Commission, Public Art Program, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

1996 Grant, Tides Foundation, San Francisco, CA: Educational Grant, Phillip Morris, Richmond, VA

1995 Commission, Art in Public Places, Convention Center Austin, TX; Public art commission, Citizens Medical Plaza, Victoria, TX; Shorenstien Corporation/Art

Honors & Awards

Central Art Competition, for two public commissions, Charlotte, NC; Context, Artist residency, Charlotte N.C.

1993 Fellowship, National Endowment For The Art, Best Neon in Austin Award, Austin Chronicle

1992 Purchase Award, Competition at Sangre de Cristo Arts Center, Pueblo, CO

Poster Design Award, Association Festival Livre de Jeunesse, La bibliothèque municipale Jacques-Prévert, Cherbourg, France

1989 City of Austin Cultural Arts Commission Grant, Discovery Hall Science Museum, Austin, TX

Illuminating Engineers Society (IES) - Lighting Design Award, San Francisco, CA

1988 Illuminating Engineers Society (IES) Paul Waterbury International Outdoor Illuminating Design Award of Excellence, Minneapolis, MN.

University and Museum Speaking | Performance and Workshop Engagements

2018 Beeville Art Museum, Beeville TX; **Texas State University**: Dialog Series, Philosophy and Honors English departments; Chemistry and Physics Department, **Angelo College**, San Angelo, TX

2017 San Angelo Museum of Fine Art

2016 Moderator, Texas Book Festival, Austin, TX

2015 10X10, Art Museum of South Texas, Corpus Christi, TX

2104 **University of Kansas, Hallmark Lecture Series**, Art and Architecture Departments, Lawrence, KS; Concert, Continental Club Gallery SXSW Saturday concert

2013 The Living Room Presents: Ben Livingston, Austin, TX

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Rawson Saunders School for Dyslexia, Austin, TX;

Concert, Continental Club Gallery SXSW Saturday

2009 **Corning Museum of Glass**/Glass Arts Society International Conference workshop, Corning, NY
Continental Club Gallery SXSW Saturday exhibit talk and concert

2008 - 2010 East Tour - Neon Demo/Workshop, Clayworks Studio, Austin, TX

2005 Lecture, **Umlauf Sculpture Garden**, Austin, TX

1998 Shanghai American School, Shanghai, R.O.C.; Indigo Gallery, Concert, Kathmandu, Nepal

1996 Lecture, Austin Convention Center, **Art in Public Places**, Austin, TX

1995 **Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute**, (RPI) Lighting Research Center, Troy, NY

1994 In concert with Terry Allen and Joe Ely, Jumpstart Theater, Blue Star Arts Complex, San Antonio, TX

1992 Backstage to the Arts, Austin, TX

1991 **Nave Museum**, Victoria, TX

Texas A&M University, Lighting and Architecture Department, College Station, TX

Backstage to the Arts, Austin, TX

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- 2018 Fowler, Gene, "Ben Livingston's Spirit Houses' at San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts", [Glasstire Magazine](#)
Carrillo, Phillip M., "Ben Livingston LIVE From the Coachella Valley Art Center", [CV Produccion, Indio, CA](#)
Delaney, Tim, "Spirits of the past come alive in neon art exhibit", [Beeville Picayune](#)
- 2017 Guzman, Victor, "New SAMFA exhibit features work of Austin-based neon light sculptor", [\(KLST\), San Angelo, TX,](#)
- 2015 Cantrell, Mary "Drawing With Light" [Smear Magazine](#)
- 2014 Jones, Lynda, "Neon artist, songwriter, actor Ben Livingston brings works to Wilhelmi-Holland Gallery", [Corpus Christi Caller Times](#); Garrett Pitt, "Ben Livingston Interview and Origina Song Performance, [Songwriters Across Texas](#)
- 2013 Barnes, Michael, "Multi-gifted artist adds acting to his resume" [Austin American Statesman](#)
- 2012 Highland, Brittany, "Ben Livingston livens Austin community through music and neon art" [The Austinot](#)
- 2011 Anderson, Dane, "Ben Livingston packs a lot of talent into electrifying arts" [Westlake Picayune](#)
- 2010 "Artist Ben Livingston exhibits at Laura's Library" [Westlake Picayune](#)
"Roses are Red... Neon art installation at Bass Concert Hall", [Texas Performing Arts, University of Texas](#)
- 2009 Livingston, Ben "Like a Glowing Stone", [Glass Art Society International Conference Journal](#), Corning, NY Delaney, Tim, "Neon artist shines on stage" [Victoria Advocate](#)
- 2008 Swift, Jim, "Neon Mural #1 coming down" [\(KXAN\)](#)
Brenner, Wayne Allen, "Neon Exodus Ben Livingston's animated neon mural is glowing going gone...", [The Austin Chronicle](#)
- 1995 "Lumen: Arte Con Luz de Turbos de Neón", [Valle de Texas, Reynosa, Mexico](#)
"Neon Nightsticks", [McAllen Monitor](#),
"People and Issues of '95: A look at people expected to make news in central Texas in 1995", [Austin American-Statesman](#)
Phillips, Bob, "Ben Livingston: Neon artist", Video documentary, [Texas Country Reporter](#)
"Ben Livingston in the Spotlight", [Dallas/Fort Worth Design magazine](#)
Delany, Tim, "Acclaimed Artist Brings Neon Home" [Victoria Advocate](#)
- 1993 "In His Element", Austin American- Statesman
"Ben Livingston, West Bank Artist", [West Lake Picayune](#)
"The Electric World of Ben Livingston", Victoria Advocate
Artist Gets Bright Ideas, [Austin American- Statesman](#)
- 1992 "Neon What a Gas", [Texas Highways Magazine](#)
- 1991 "Neon is Artist's Guiding Light", [Victoria Advocate](#)
First Orbit by Ben Livingston, [Victoria Advocate](#)
"Texas Neon Artist Featured in Exhibit", [Big Spring Herald](#)
"Artists Turned On by Neon Featured At Ulrich Museum" [The Wichita Eagle](#)
"Neonics Contemporary Light Art" by Maria Ciski, Richard Leslie, Ben Livingston
Barr, Vilma "The Best of Neon", [Business/Professional Inc., New York, NY](#)
- 1990 Stern, Rudi, "Contemporary Neon" [Von Nostrand Reinhold, New York, NY](#)
- 1987- 88 Swift, Jim "Beneon", [\(KXAN\)](#)
"Cow Cow Boogie", Museum of Neon Art, [The Today Show, NBC, NY, NY](#)

Solo Exhibitions

2018 "Pedro Chino Lights the Way" Coachella Valley Art Center, Indio, CA

"Poesta Rising: Beeville's Ghosts, Memories and Spirit Houses", Beeville Museum of Art, Beeville, TX

2017 "Ben Livingston, Paintings + Neon", Austin School of Film, Austin, TX; "I Once Was Here: Ghosts and Memories - Featuring works from Ben Livingston's Spirithouse series and a companion exhibit in collaboration with Fort Concho National Historic Landmark", San Angelo Museum of Fine Art, San Angelo, TX

2014 "Nightsticks", Wilhelmi – Holland Gallery, Corpus Christi, TX

2010 "Paintings by Ben Livingston", Westbank (Laura's) Library, Austin, TX

2009 "Neon at the Continental Club" Continental Club Gallery, Austin, TX

1996 "Interpret", Context Art Center, Charlotte, NC

1993 "Electric Metaphors", Milagros Gallery, Blue Star Arts Complex, San Antonio, TX

1992 "Ben Livingston" Southwest Crafts Center, San Antonio, TX

Cowgirls and Flowers, Austin, TX

"Current Work" Austin College, Sherman, TX

1991 "First Orbit", Nave Museum, Victoria, TX

Jeffreys of Austin, Austin, TX

1990 "Ben Livingston", Wilhelmi – Holland Gallery, Corpus Christi, TX,;

"Paintings by Ben Livingston", Dobie Theater, Austin, TX

1989 "Objects D'ark", Projex Gallery, Austin, TX

Group Exhibitions

2014 "Target Texas" Art Museum of South Texas Corpus Christi, TX;

2012 "Small Works" Jonestown Art Center, Jonestown, RI

2009 "Luminous Evidence", Exhibit A Gallery, Corning, NY

Continental Club Gallery, Austin, TX

2006 "The People's Gallery", City Hall exhibit, Austin, TX

2005 Umlauf Sculpture Garden, Austin, TX

1997 Dougherty Art Center, "Arc Works" Austin, TX

1996 Art in Public Places, "AIPPXIO", Austin, TX

1993 Center of Contemporary Art, "Eclectic Electric", Center of Contemporary Art, North Miami Beach, FL

1992 Gallery I/O "Screen Show", New Orleans, LA

Grand Prix De Paris 1992, Musee de la Sorbonne, Paris France

University of California San Diego Neon II Show, Grove Gallery, San Diego, CA

Light Gallery, Houston, TX

Gallery of Functional Art, Santa Monica, CA

Edwin A. Ulrich Museum of Art, "Neonics", Wichita, KS

1991 Musee de Bordeaux, Bordeaux and Paris France

Edwin A. Ulrich Museum, Wichita, KS

"Austin Contemporaries" Laguna Gloria Art Museum, Austin, TX

"Contemporary Neon", Langman Gallery, Willow Grove, PA

"The CAAT Show", The University of Texas at Austin - Mebane Gallery, Austin, TX

"Lights Fantastic", Laguna Gloria Art Museum, Austin, TX

"BBQ Show", Devil Dog Gallery, Houston, TX

"Ten American Neon Artists", Grove Gallery, University of California, San Diego, CA

1987-88 Cow Cow Boogie, Museum of Neon Art, Los Angeles, CA

1980 Texas Artists, Washington Project for the Arts, Washington, DC

Selected private collections

Mick Jagger, NY, NY

John Sayles and Maggie Renzi, Guilford, CT,

Louis Black and Sandy Boone, Austin, TX

Stephen Antonakos, NY, NY

Terry and Jo Harvey Allen, Santa Fe, NM

The Joffery Ballet, NY, NY

Gerold Arpino, NY, NY

Motorola, Austin, TX

Randi Shade and Kayla Shell, Austin, TX

Peter Pucci, Mt Kisco, NY

Deborah Green, Austin, TX

Chris Maresh, Austin, TX

Jan Lenox Moyer, Troy, NY

Chris Mattsson, Austin, TX

Jeffery Skilling, Houston, TX

Chula Reynolds, Austin, TX

Lance Armstrong, Austin, TX

Chief Wilma Mankiller Stillwell, OK

Frances Hellman, Berkeley, CA

Congregation Kol Halev, Austin, TX

Warren Hellman, San Francisco, CA

Far Niente Winery, Oakville, CA

Sidley Austin Brown and Wood, NY, NY

Chicago Botanical Gardens, Glencoe, IL

Bibliotheque Municipal Jaques Prevert, Cherbourg, France

Public commissions

The Austin Convention Center (AIPP), Austin, TX

The University of Texas at Austin permanent collection, Austin, TX

The Austin Convention Center (AIPP), Austin, TX

Citizen's Memorial Hospital, Victoria, TX

Spirit Square Public Arts Space (Blumenthal Performing Arts Center), Charlotte, NC

Texas Tech University, Public Art Collection, Lubbock, TX