# DON FRITZ

BORN: Tacoma, WA

#### EDUCATION:

1978 1976 1975	M.F.A., Sculpture/Ceramics, University of California, Davis, CA B.F.A., Printmaking, Sculpture, University of California, Santa Cruz, CA B.A., Painting, University of California, Santa Cruz, CA
ONE PERSON	I EXHIBITIONS:
2015	Atomic Icons, La Luz De Jesus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
2012	Mythos, Patrones Y Obsesiones, Balaria Angela Peralta, Mazatlan, Mexico
2010	Nuevas Mitologias, Mazatlan Museum, Sala Carlos Bueno, Mazatlan, Mexico Nuevas Mitologias, San Blas Cultural Center, San Blas Nayarite, Mexico
2009	Déjà vu, Billy Shire Fine Art Gallery, Culver City, CA
2008	New Ceramics, Julie Baker Fine Art, Nevada City, CA, Yeongcheon City (catalog), Santa Clara City, Art Exchange Exhibit Recuerdos, Mazatlan Museum, Sinaloa, Mexico
2006	Selected Works, Mohr Gallery, Community School of Music and Arts, Mountain View, CA
2005	Wonderland, Billy Shire Fine Art, Culver City, CA
2004	Circa, Julie Baker Fine Art, Nevada City, CA Transparency, Tapio Gallery, Sapporo, Japan Allegories, Grover Thurston Gallery, Seattle, WA
2003	Allegories, Grover Thurston Gallery, Seattle, WA Transparency, Tapio Gallery, Sapporo, Japan
2000	Little Cowboy, Catharine Clark Gallery, San Francisco, CA

1999	Souvenirs, Robert Berman Gallery, Bergamot Station, Santa Monica, CA
1997	Apple Pie, Catherine Clark Gallery, San Francisco, CA California Art, Tapio Gallery, Sapporo, Japan
1994	New York Series, D.P. Fong Gallery, San Jose, CA
1993	California Art, Art Amon, Tokyo, Japan
1982	Candy Store Gallery, Folsom, CA
GROUP EXHIBITIONS:	
2021	Pop Meets Funk, Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA Intensity, Rhombus Space, Brooklyn, NY
2020	Fun, BG Gallery, Santa Monica, CA
2019	Artist Invitational Exhibition, Galleria Ajolote, Guadalajara, Mexico
2018	Laluzapalooza, La Luz de Jesus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 30 Ceramic Sculptors, California Conference for the Advancement of Ceramic Artists (CCACA), Natsoulas Gallery, Davic, CA Looking Back, Monterey Museum of Art, Monterey, CA
2017	The Great California Art Movement – UC Davis, Fine Art Alumni Exhibition: 1960-1990, Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA (catalog) Art of Painting in the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century, Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA
2014	Sin Agua Sin Vida, Galeria Ajolote, Guadalajara, Mexico !Orale! The Kings and Queens of Cool, The Harwood Museum of Art, Taos, NM Thought Bubbles, Invitational, Rhombus Space Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
2011	La Luz de Jesus 25 (twenty-five-year anniversary exhibition), La Luz de Jesus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

	Curious Association, Sandra Lee Gallery, San Francisco, CA Ultra-Sweet, Jesus Gallardo Gallery, Leon, Mexico Cartoon Network Exhibition, Cartoon Network, Los Angeles, CA The Arneson Legacy, Blue Line Gallery, Roseville, CA Everything But the Kitchen Sink, La Luz De Jesus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Show and Tell: The Art of Building, Zimmer Children's Museum, Los Angeles, CA "The Art of Painting in the 21st Century", Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA
2010	<ul> <li>Day of the Dead International Exhibition, Mazatlan Museum, Mazatlan, Mexico</li> <li>Surf City Santa Cruz: A Wave of Inspiration, Santa Cruz Museum of Art and History</li> <li>Earth Bound, City Windows Gallery, San Jose, CA</li> <li>A Seed Planted: A Tribute to Robert Arneson, Davis Art Center, Tsao</li> <li>Gallery, Davis, CA (catalog)</li> <li>On Sight / In Sight and Just In, De Saisset Museum, Santa Clara, CA (catalog)</li> <li>The Art of Painting in the 21st Century, Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA (catalog)</li> <li>Figurative Art, invitational figurative group show, Elliot Fouts Gallery, Sacramento, CA</li> <li>City Windows Ceramic Exhibition, City Windows Gallery, City Hall, San Jose, CA</li> <li>A Child's World, Triton Museum, Santa Clara, CA (web image)</li> </ul>
2009	Beyond Eden Art Fair, Barnsdall Art Park, Billy Shire Fine Arts, Los Angeles, CA Showmee Festival, Jana Center, Seoul, Korea (catalog/book) Déjà Vu, Billy Shire Fine Art Gallery. Culver City, CA (image used in advertisement) Good Ole Days, Hespe Gallery" San Francisco, CA California Conference for the Advancement of Ceramic Art, Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA
2008	War Show, Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA

	ARAC @ AMM, Anderson Ranch Art's Center, Aspen Art Museum, Aspen, CO (catalog)
	Kelly and Don Exhibition, (art exchange exhibition), Gallery Godo, Seoul, Korea & Santa Clara, CA, Yeongcheon Art Studio & Banasil Cultural Center Mass Consumption, Mesa Contemporary Arts Center, Mesa, AZ Eccentric Images, Blue Line Gallery, Roseville, CA (catalog) Show & Tell, The Art of Vision, Zimmer Children's Museum, Los Angeles, CA Consumption, Mesa Arts Center, Mesa AZ
2007	Experience Teaches: Art Faculty Exhibition, Santa Clara University, De Saisset Museum, Santa Clara, CA
	Nor Cal Clay, Freight Door Gallery, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA Show & Tell: The Art of Harmony, Zimmer Children's Museum, Los Angeles, CA
	Time And Place, Santa Cruz Museum of Art and History Drawings: Visions, Surfaces, and Beyond, Triton Museum, Santa Clara, CA
	Arcadia, Susan Street Fine Art, San Diego, CA
2006	ART LA, Billy Shire Fine Art Gallery, Culver City, CA International Art Exposition, Julie Baker Gallery, San Francisco, CA 666: Beat the Devil, (drawing invitational), La Luz de Jesus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
	Inaugural Group Exhibition, Billy Shire Fine Art, Culver City, CA Faculty Exhibition, Anderson Ranch Art Center, Snow Mass, CO Funnel Cake Fantasy, Roshambo Gallery, Healdsburg, CA
2005	Inaugural Group Exhibition, Billy Shire Gallery, Culver City, CA Funnel Cake Fantasy, Roshambo Gallery, Healdsburg, CA Emerging Artist's Exhibition, Julie Baker Gallery, Scottsdale, AZ International Art Exposition, Julie Baker Gallery, San Francisco, CA
2004	50-Year Anniversary Exhibition, Robert Berman Gallery, Santa Monica, CA Hard Candy, San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art, San Jose, CA Scope, Julie Baker Gallery Los Angeles, CA Group Show, La Luz De Jesus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

	Chicago International Art Fair, Chicago, IL Deep Focus, Art Object Gallery, San Jose, CA
2003	Faculty Works, Mary Porter Sesnon Gallery, UCSC, Santa Cruz, CA Pacific Rim Art Now, Otaru Museum, Hokkaido, Japan (catalog) International Art Exposition, Julie Baker Gallery, Francisco, CA Group Show, La Luz De Jesus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA New Ceramics, Roshambo Gallery, Healdsburg, CA
2002	In Toon with the Times, Palo Alto Art Center, Palo Alto, CA (catalog) Playground, Julie Baker Fine Art, Grass Valley, CA 1000 Clowns, Robert Berman Gallery, Santa Monic, CA International Art Exposition, Robert Berman Gallery, Fort Mason, San Francisco, CA
2001	Chicago International Art Fair, Catharine Clark Gallery, Chicago, IL Faculty Works, Mary Porter Sesnon Gallery, UCSC, Santa Cruz, CA This Is Not a Book, San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art, San Jose, CA
2000	New American Painting, Tapio Gallery, Sapporo, Japan Pacific Rim Art Now, Otaru Museum, Otaru, Japan (catalog) Luck of the Draw, La Luz De Jesus Gallery, Hollywood, CA Piecing It Together, A Visual Journal, San Jose Museum, San Jose, CA
1999	Bob Arneson and Friends, Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA Works on Paper, Forrest Scot Gallery, Millburn, NJ California Drawing, Robert Berman Gallery, Bergamot Station, Santa Monica, CA Piecing it Together: A Visual Journal, San Jose Museum of Art, San Jose, CA The Child Within: Innocence and Anxiety in Contemporary Art, The Chase Foundation, Louis Stern Fine Arts, Los Angeles, CA (catalog) Spinal Epidural Please, Catherine Clark Gallery, San Francisco, CA & La Luz de Jesus Gallery, Hollywood, CA
1998	San Francisco International Art Exhibition, Catharine Clark Gallery, San Francisco, CA

	Small Works, Hayward Community College, Hayward, CA Tweakville, Catharine Clark Gallery, San Francisco, CA (catalog) Everybody Loves a Clown, Baby, Why Don't You?, Guggenheim Gallery, Chapman College, Orange, CA S.O.F.A (Sculptural Objects and Fine Art), Kumer/Winfield Gallery, Chicago, IL
1997	Grins, Humor and Whimsy in Contemporary Art, Millard Sheets Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Pacific Rim '97, Otaru Municipal Museum, Otaru City, Hokkaido, Japan (catalog) Toys, D.P. Fong Gallery, San Jose, CA
1996-1997	Time and Place: Fifty Years of Santa Cruz Studio Ceramics, Museum of Art and History, Santa Cruz, CA
1996	21st Century Tiki, La Luz De Jesus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Screen Memories, K and E Gallery, New York, NY Consumption, Catharine Clark Gallery, San Francisco, CA
1995	Pacific Rim Art Now, Otaru Museum, Otaru City, Hokkaido, Japan
1993	Exquisite Corpse, Drawing Center, New York City, NY Drawing Center: 101 Wooster, New York City, NY O.I.A. Gallery, New York City, NY
1992	C.B. Gallery, New York City, NY
1991	Morphos Gallery, San Francisco, CA Pacific Rim Art Now, Otaru Museum, Otaru City, Hokkaido, Japan (catalog) Jal Plaza Exhibition, Sapporo, Japan California Clay, Artery Gallery, Davis, CA Thirty Years of T.B.9, Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA
1990	Art Document – 90 Hokkaido, Sapporo Museum, Hokkaido, Japan New California Painting, Gallery Laranne, Tokyo, Japan

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	Tropical Topics, Monterey Museum of Art, Monterey, CA
1986	Eccentric Image, Elkymose Museum, Bordeaux, France (catalog)
1985	Wonder, Palo Alto Cultural Center, Palo Alto, C
1983	Beyond Words, San Jose Museum of Contemporary Art, San Jose, CA
1981	A Critical Viewpoint, Heller Gallery, Berkeley, CA
1980	Eccentric Representation, Barbara Toll Gallery, New York City, NY

#### PUBLICATIONS:

30 Ceramic Sculptors, Natsoulas Press, 2012. (Image: "Atomic Robot 2") 30 Ceramic Sculptors, Natsoulas Press, 2011. (Image: "Atomic Robot") 30 Ceramic Sculptors - 23rd Annual, 2010. (Image: "Atomic Iron") Advertisement for "Artist's Lecture Series" at Anderson Ranch Art Center, Daily News Online, July 2009. "Allegories Exhibition", Seattle Art Magazine, January 2003. "Art Document 1990 Hokkaido Museum of Modern Art", Hokkaido Museum of Modern Art, Hokkaido, Japan, March 1990. A Peak into what Experience Teaches, Art Post, Winter 2009. (Image: "Mom Book") "Attesting to Pluralism", Artweek Magazine, November 1982. Baker, Julie, "Circa 1950", Art Contemporaries Magazine, April 2003. Blumberg, Mark, "Two Tales: Don Fritz and Kelly Detweiler Visualize Off Beat Stories", San Jose Metro, 17 February 1994. Childhood Deceptions, ARTSHIFT San José, May 2008. (paintings) "Circa 1950, Space Cowboy", Art Contemporaries Magazine, 2004. "Clowning Around with a Cliché", Los Angeles Times, 15 September 1998. "Culver City News and Announcements: Cathy Bleck, Don Fritz, Jenny Porreca at Billy Shire Fine Arts", Americantowns.com, July 2009. Dalkey, Victoria, "Edging Back", Sacramento Bee, 2004. Dalkey, Victoria, "Make Time for Five Exhibits of Note", Sacramento Bee, 2011. Dalkey, Victoria, "Natsoulas, Fouts Shows feature the Human Figure", Sacramento Bee, March 2010.

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"Dick And Jane Re-Cast", Mountain View Voice, April 2006.

Edwin, Bruce, "The Good Old Days are Here Again", *The Hollywood Sentinel*, June 2009. (Image: "Girl's World")

Exponene Dos Estilos, noroeste.com, Mexico, 2012 (Image: Wolf, Shot in the Back, Cowboy)

"Faculty Works", Santa Cruz Sentinel, May 2001.

Fritz, Don, *Exploring Pop Culture Through Mixed Media*, Snowmass, Colorado, Anderson Ranch Arts Foundation, May 2009.

"Gestures in 2 and 3 Dimensions", Artweek, 3 November 1979.

Goodwin-Guerrero, Erin, "Childhood Deceptions – Don Fritz in Mexico and Korea", *Artshift*, May 2008.

Goodwin-Guerrero, Erin. "Don Fritz Pushes the Margins", ARTSHIFT 27 website, August 2009. (Images: "Day in the Life", "Girl Next Door", "Kawaii", "Barbie", "Genkie Girls") Gore, Janice S., *La Luz de Jesus 25 – The Little Gallery That Could*, Los Angeles, La Luz de Jesus press, 2011. (Image: Burro de Amor)

"Grins, Humor and Whimsy in Contemporary Art", Millard Shhets Gallery, 1997. Guardado, Hector, "Caracturas que hancen pensar", *Noreste*, October 2010. (Image: "Dia en la Vida")

Guardado, Hector, "Custiona con sus recuerdos", *Noreste*, Mexico, May 2008.

Hemachandra, Ray, 500 Raku, New York, Lark Books, 2011 (image)

Juxtapose Magazine, Roshambo Gallery, 2003.

*Kinder & Katzen*, Detlef Bluhm Press, Bilder einer besonderen Freundschaft, Germany Kropoth, Phil, Flavorpill – Your Culture Guide (web), (Section: "Art: Cathy Bleck, Don Fritz, and Jenn Porreca"), Culver City, CA, August 2009.

Loaeza, Dania, "Fritz Ensena Mitologias", debate.com.mx, October 2010. (Image: "Dia en la Vida")

Martin, Krista, "Art for Art", Santa Cruz Good Times, June 2008.

Mostrara al Publico Parte de sus Recuerdos, Noreste, Mexico, May 2008.

New American Painting, Open Studios Press, fourteenth edition, Mass., December 1998.

"New Ceramics", Juxtapoz Magazine, High Speed Productions, March 2004.

Nostalgia with A Twist, *Lifescapes Magazine*, October 2005.

"On The Fritz", San Jose Metro, October 1999.

Ordaz, Arcelia, "Las Nuevas Mitologias de Don Fritz", *Concepto101*, Mexico, October 2010.

"Picture This", review, Santa Cruz Metro, June 2001.

"Plastica – La muestra sera en el Museo de Arte", *El Debate*, Mexico, May 2008.

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"Playground Exhibition", Sacramento Magazine, January 2002.

Porges, Maria, "San Francisco Fax", Art Issues, October 1997.

"Propriety", Art Forum, October 2005. (reproduction)

"Propriety", Art in America, Summer 2005, (reproduction)

"Que Ver? Este Mes en el Museo de Arte", El Sol de Mazatlan, May 2008.

"Que Ver? Manana en el Museo de Arte: Don Fritz", *El Sol de Mazatlan*, Mexico, May 2008.

"Recuerdos del pintor Don Fritz", Viejo Mazatlan, Mexico, 2008.

"Recuerdos: Mazatlan Museum", Noreste, Mexico, May 2008.

"Rocket ships and Roller skates" (drawing), reproduced in Art Issues, Catherine Clark Gallery, CA, September 1997.

Santa Clara Review, Santa Clara University Press, 2003.

Sculptors at UC Davis- Past and Present", catalog, 1982.

Stern, Kate, Show and Tell – The Art of Vision, Jeffrey Alex Communications, 2008.

The Art of Painting in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, John Natsoulas Press, 2010.

"Thirty Years of T.B.9", Natsoulas Gallery, June 1991.

"This Is Not a Book", Art Week, March 2001.

Thurman, Judith, "Before & After: John Loring in West Palm Beach", *Architectural Digest*, New York, October 2003.

"Toys Review", San Jose Mercury News, 1993.

"Trazos del pasado", El Debate, Mexico, May 2008.

Tullman, Howard, "Hind Sight" Collectors Blog, March 2008.

Waters, Christina, "The Art of Don Fritz", Santa Cruz Sun, 1984.

"Wonderland", Art Forum International Magazine, New York, October 2005.

"Wonderland", Art in America Magazine, New York, June 2005.

#### AWARDS:

- 2013 Silicon Valley Artist Laureate Award, "On the Wall", Silicon Valley Arts Council
- 2001 Visiting Artist Project Grant, Anderson Ranch Arts Center, Colorado
- 1997 Artist Grant, Pollock Krasner Foundation
- 1993 Japanese Cultural Exchange Grant

### DON FRITZ

#### TEACHING:

2007-2011	Assistant Professor, Santa Clara University, ceramics
2009	Slide Lecture Presented by Matt Long, Don Fritz and Amy Stein, Aspen, CO
1993-2006	Lecturer, Santa Clara University, painting, drawing, ceramics
2002	Instructor, Guest artist, Anderson Ranch Art Center, Snow Mass, CO
1990-2001	Lecturer (beginning, intermediate and advanced drawing; painting; 2-D mixed media, design basics; ceramic sculpture) University of California Santa Cruz
1990-1999	Instructor (drawing; mixed media painting; ceramic sculpture; visual fundamentals), Monterey Peninsula College, Monterey, CA
1988-1998	Instructor (ceramic sculpture, drawing and painting), Children's Art Foundation
1986-1996	Instructor (painting, drawing), Santa Cruz Public Schools (S.P.E.C.T.R.A.), Santa Cruz, CA

COMMISSIONS: ???

#### IMPORTANT COLLECTIONS:

Art Amon Gallery, Tokyo, Japan Billy Shire, Director, La Luz De Jesus, Hollywood, CA Bob Arneson, Artist, Benicia, CA Cheech Marin, San Francisco, CA Cindy MIscikowski and Doug Ring, Los Angeles, CA Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, CA De Saisset Museum, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA Howard Tullman, Chicago, IL Jim Carrey, Actor, Los Angeles, CA

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