#### Brian Edmonds

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## <u>Bio</u>

Brian Edmonds (b.1974) is an artist living in Alabama. His recent shows include In the Pines (Huntsville), DUSK: Embossed (Manhattan/Saint Chamas, FR), DO IT YOURSELF (Brooklyn), White Hours (Cyprus) and OFF THE WALL (London). Brian's work can be found throughout North America and Europe.

In 2012 Brian launched the online exhibition space Curating Contemporary. Since its inception the site has hosted over 30 exhibitions. He has also maintained the Curating Contemporary blog during this time. The blog is a source for upcoming exhibitions, studio visits, and artist's interviews. Brian's writings and interviews can be found in the catalogue for Clayton Colvin's Space Mountain as well as the online journal Figure/Ground Communication.

#### Artist's Statement

My work is focused on creating an abstract environment. One that is populated by symbols, shapes, lines, positive/negative space, and pattern. It is through the relationship of these objects that a painterly vocabulary emerges. Is a "Z" a "Z"? Is it a zig zag, an awkward line, a road leading you into the dark, a lightning bolt, or a symbol with a personal meaning? I think of an opening or positive/negative space as a way of entering a place. The picture plane is more 3D than 2D. You are looking thru an opening, window, or door way into a space, a space that can be read in many different ways. An empty room, the night sky, or looking off into the landscape. I look to interpret and reinterpret this space with each painting. One painting may inform another but in the end each of its own making.

### One man shows

Chelsea Grey and Her Parlor Girls. AMuse Gallery (2000). Huntsville, AL New Paintings (2004). Willis Gray. Decatur, AL Paintings from Mt. Shade (2006). Alabama A & M University. Huntsville, AL Songs for Harper Lee (2007). Barehands Gallery. Birmingham, AL Selections from Songs for Harper Lee (2008). Hoover Public Library. Birmingham, AL Songs for Harper Lee (2010). Monmouth College. Monmouth, IL New work: Songs for Harper Lee (2010). Skylight Studios. Charlottesville, VA New Abstractions (2012). Robertson Gallery. Mobile, AL Sea Change (2014). University of Alabama in Huntsville. Huntsville, Alabama The Lost Sea (2014). Lowe Mill, North Gallery. Huntsville, Alabama In the Pines (2017). Lowe Mill. Huntsville, Alabama Of Night and Moon (2018). The Provincial, Kaleva, MI

## Group Shows

ALLTOGETHERNOW (2012). The Coin Locker, Brooklyn, NY Common Ground (2012). Lowe Mill. Huntsville, AL What I Like About You? (2013). Parallel Art Space, Brooklyn, NY What I Like About You? (2013). Imogen Holloway Gallery. Saugerties, New York NURTUREart Benefit (2013). Bernardaducci Meisel Gallery. Manhattan, New York Now You See It, Now You Don't (2013). Terrace Studios and Gallery. London, United Kingdom DO IT YOURSELF (2014), The 3rd Ward, Brooklyn. NY White Hours (2014), STUDIO APOTHKO, Paphos. Cyprus By the Pleasure of Doing (2015), 2020 Gallery. San Juan, Puerto Rico Acquired (2015), Occasional Gallery. Burlington, WA Usual Suspects (2015), Wright Gallery. Northport, MI DUSK: Embossed (2015), Gallery Molly Krom. Manhattan, NY DUSK: Embossed (2015), Look&Listen Gallery. Saint Chamas, France Pulp Painting (2015), STUDIO APOTHKO. Paphos, Cyprus Lost Cat (2015), Cape Cod Museum of Art. Cape Cod, MA DUSK: Artist's Run Miami (2015), Ocean Terrace Hotel. Miami, FL ART IN AMERICA, curated by Julie Torres (2015). Miami, FL ART IN AMERICA on Tour, curated by Julie Torres & Ann Stoddard (2016). Presbyterian College. Clinton, SC.

The Black and White Project, curated by Yifat Gat (2016). Transmitter Gallery. Brooklyn, NY. Southern Abstraction (2016). Wiregrass Museum of Art. Dothan, AL. Gatherings: Christina Renfer Vogel & Brian Edmonds (2016). Pleatgallery.com. TSA Flat File (2016). TSA NY., Brooklyn, NY. Bring Something Pink (2017). Look&Listen Gallery. Saint-Chamas, FR Eyes Like Enemies: Mark Brosseau & Brian Edmonds curated by Jodi Hays (2017). ESPS. Nashville, TN Fundraiser (2017). TSA LA. Los Angeles, CA. Introductions (2018). Trestle Gallery. Brooklyn, NY. The Idiosyncratic Pencil (2018). Presbyterian College. Clinton, SC. Alabama Reckoner (2018). The Wiregrass Museum of Art. Dothan, AL The Wiregrass Biennial (2018). The Wiregrass Museum of Art. Dothan, AL DeStill, a survey of contemporary art (2018). Track one. Nashville, TN Art of the South, curated by Brian Jobe (2018). Crosstown Arts. Memphis, TN

## **Curatorial Projects**

A Dialogue in Abstraction (November 2012), CuratingContemporary.com South of No North, East of No West (2015), Curating Contemporary Projects, Huntsville, AL

### <u>Film</u>

Paintings used in the movie Constellations (2005)

## Lectures/Interviews

Alabama A&M (2006) WLRH NPR (2009) Monmouth College (2010) Studio Critical (2013) Structure and Imagery. In the Process. (2013)

## <u>Writings</u>

Clayton Colvin:Space Mountain. Beta Pictoris Gallery (2012). Edmonds, B. (2014). "A Conversation with Todd Bienvenu. Figure Ground. < http://figureground.org/aconversationwithtoddbienvenu/ > Edmonds, B. (2014). "A Conversation with Paul Behnke. Figure Ground. < http://figureground.org/aconversationwithpaulbehnke/ > Introduction for the published catalogue, South of No North, East of No West. Lowe Mill North Gallery, (2015).

### In Print

Humanities: The Magazine of the National Endowment of the Arts
Birmingham Post Herald. (Birmingham, AL.)
Birmingham Magazine. (Birmingham, AL.)
The Daily Register (Galesburg, IL.)
The Black and White Project (book). 2015. Published by Look & Listen.
New American Paintings. Edition: South. 2016.
Brian Edmonds: Selected Work 2016-2017. Curating Contemporary Books.

# <u>Online</u>

Bushwick Daily

http://bushwickdaily.com/2012/06/

The Great Gray Bridge http://philipsturner.com/2012/06/03/

#### Artinfo

http://blogs.artinfo.com/artintheair/2012/05/30/ Two Coats of Paint http://www.twocoatsofpaint.com/2012/06/ Always Be An Emerging Artist http://danielgalas.blogspot.com.es/2012/06/ Studio Critical http://studiocritical.blogspot.com/2013/04/

Structure and Imagery

http://structureandimagery.blogspot.com/2013/06/

#### <u>Video</u>

Frankie Norstad <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M8u03I9owI0&feature=context</u> <u>chf&playnext=1&list=UUu3Yc0hPbn</u> tVbe 46nutme0Q