



**DALE WITHEROW** was born and raised in a small coal mining town in Western Pennsylvania in the 1940's and 50's. The school system did not offer art to males after eighth grade, so it was a shock to his family when he enrolled in the Art Education Curriculum at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Upon graduating he taught Art in a suburb of Pittsburgh after which he studied in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, with James Pinto, Leonard Brooks, and Fred Samuelson. He received his MFA from the Instituto Allende in 1964.

On his return he continued teaching in the public schools in Pittsburgh and Kensington, Maryland, until he was hired to teach Art and Art Education courses at Mansfield University in Pennsylvania. He taught there until he retired in 1996.

During his teaching career he exhibited in shows in the Northeast from Virginia to New York. He continued taking courses in ceramic sculpture, printmaking, painting, murals, art history and stagecraft. And for a time he was a seminar leader, counselor, tour guide, director, conference planner, float builder and mystic.

"I am not inclined to follow the rules. I paint to experience the mystery, sensation, elevation, and revelations it brings to me. I follow what is present. Being in the present is a trance where I find out who and what I am. It is self centered and isolating – and yet I shall continue painting until the day I die."

## **SELECTED EXHIBITIONS**

- 1997 - 2012     *State of the Arts Gallery* - Olympia, WA
- 2005 – 2008     *Side Door Gallery* - Olympia, WA
- 2006 – 2012     *Art House Gallery* - Olympia, WA
- 2007 – 2012     *Lawrence Galleries* - Portland, Sheridan, and Salishan, OR
- 2008 – 2012     *Gallery IMA* - Seattle, WA
- 2009 – 2012     *SAM Rental and Sales Gallery* - Seattle, WA

## **COLLECTIONS**

- Swedish Medical Center Collection* - Seattle, WA
- Mansfield University of Pennsylvania Art Collection* - Mansfield, PA
- P.B. Davis Collection* - Wellsboro, PA
- D.E. Rodgers Collection* - Phoenix, AZ
- N. Rhinehart Collection* - Seattle, WA
- Monarch Sculpture Park* - Tenino, WA