

MICHAEL PAUL BATTAGLIA

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PROFILE

Strong foundation in expressive arts, decorative arts, and construction arts. Utilizes variety of materials to create large scale pieces in various interior and exterior contexts.

Specializes in themes related to Christian symbolism, Italian landscapes, African tribal practices, Southwest Native American cultures, and abstract forms emphasizing texture and subconscious motifs, including writings from antiquity.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Fine Arts 1972 University of Colorado, Boulder
Master of Fine Arts 1974 University of Washington

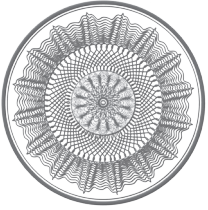
BACKGROUND

Michael Battaglia has been an artist most of his life. His career sparked in 1974 when he initiated a restoration business in Seattle, WA shortly after completing his M.F.A. from the University of Washington. Following five years in Seattle, teaching and building his business, he relocated to his native state of Denver, Colorado. Battaglia Studios emerged soon thereafter to include decorative and fine art finishes & murals. Projects of note are the Venetian Hotel in Las Vegas, Cherry Hills CC in Denver, Colorado, and the Cordillera Spa and Hotel in West Vail. Mr. Battaglia's work can be seen in homes of business moguls such as Henry Kravis and sports people across the United States.

Michael has been published nationwide with prestigious projects from New York City to Beverly Hills, CA. His Work is in major collections throughout the world along with purchases by New Mexico State for its private collection. He continues to do commission work throughout the United States with primarily representational landscape and figurative work. He is sought after for his unusual and unique ragged edged paintings and unusual ancient writings and pictographs.

In 2005, Michael relocated to the "four corners" area in New Mexico. Here he dedicated his time to fine art expression exclusively. His work is inspired by a lifetime of passion for the ancient world, the play of light on European old world surfaces, and the once written and oral traditions lost from memory. The ancient dwellings and historical environments with unusual rock formations and antique writings and paintings have had a great influence on his new work. Mr. Battaglia's work varies from the sardonic, to paradoxical, to enchantment and romance. His homeland of Italy is never far from his heart. Underlying all his work is a story line explaining the influence and nature of the piece. The work has a profound metaphor or symbolism underlying its creation. Most of Mr. Battaglia's work has a spiritual and mystical quality to its imagery and story! In the summer of 2010, Mr. Battaglia has come back to his native Colorado and continues his passion for the Arts, Painting, and Education.

During the past several years, Michael has been represented in Palm Desert/Coachella Valley California with Desert Art Collection, and Eckenroth Gallery in Vail, Colorado.



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EXPERIENCE

Graphic Artist/Painter 1975-77

- Painted graphics on airplanes, offices, vehicles, hallways for Boeing.

Battaglia Colorworks/Battaglia Studios 1977-present

Restoration and Decorative finishes:

- Color specialist/restorer for Victorian homes in the Denver historic district.
- Restoration and decorative finish of the private home of Henry Kravis in Vail and Meeker, CO.
- Various projects in N.Y. for Debra Norville and other celebrities
- Decorative work done on the Garden of the Gods Club and the Kissing Camels Country Club in Colorado Springs, CO. Also worked on the private home of the Hunt family (from Texas) in Colorado Springs.
- Decorative work on homes of celebrities including Bill Phillips in Beverly Hills, Ca.
- Decorative finishes on the Venetian Hotel, Las Vegas, NV.
- Murals and decorative painting in the Cordillera Hotel outside of Vail, CO.
- Decorative finish work on numerous celebrity athletes in the Denver, Beaver Creek area from the Rockies and Avalanche.

Expressive art, murals, and tapestry pieces:

- Large scale pieces done for the private home of Mike Corliss outside of Seattle, WA and the Corliss Winery in Walla Walla, WA.
- Commission projects through Fedderly Design in the El Paseo District of Palm Springs/Palm Desert California from 2005 to the present.
- Represented in Palm Desert, CA by Desert Art Collection, one-man shows up to present.

Taught at the University of Washington 1974-1976

Worked on various HUD projects in Seattle 1974-1976

SKILLS

Specialist in large scale murals, tapestries, and paintings, both interior and exterior.
Specializes in individualized commission pieces for high end clients.

SHOWS/EXHIBITS

Represented by Eckenroth Gallery in Vail, CO | 1974-2011

Represented by Desert Art Collection in Palm Desert, CA | Present

Polly Friedlander Gallery in Seattle, WA | Present

Work selected for Belen Public Library through Art in Public Places, New Mexico | 2009

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PUBLICATIONS

Featured in/works appeared in:

Colorado Homes Magazine

Palm Springs Life

House and Garden

Metropolitan Home

Southwest Art

Denver Post

Farmington Daily Times

HOBBIES

Avid gardener, single digit golfer, sing in the Chancel Choir at United Methodist Church, Classical piano player since 8 years old, team leader for the Arts in various Churches including production and set design and application

Please visit www.battagliastudios.com to experience his latest work.