

HERNAN MURNO

Condensed Bio

Was born in Buenos Aires where he attended at the National Conservatory of Music In Buenos Aires. He graduated with degrees piano, harpsichord and conducting and had a successful career both as a pianist and conductor. He traveled to England on a British Council Scholarship, studying at the Trinity College of Music, London for two years. Eventually, with a Fulbright grant, he came to the United States and earned Master's and Doctoral degrees in conducting and composition. He then taught at colleges and conducted professional and youth orchestras, as well as choruses in several states.

Upon retiring, he decided to pursue painting, starting with watercolor, and studied at the Alexandria Art League School, and participated in workshops in the US and abroad. In 2015, he became interested in abstraction and acrylics and since then has had an active career as an artist both here and in his native country of Argentina. He is now a US citizen.

His first solo exhibition, called "Klimtmania and Company," was on view at 1st Stage Theater Gallery, in Tysons, VA, from September to November 2019.

In March of 2020, an exhibition of his Argentine Landscapes was opened at the Embassy Of Argentina in Washington DC, but close due to the pandemic a few days later. That exhibition will reopen with new works in June of this year. In addition, two more exhibitions of his different series of pieces are being planned for September and October of this year.

In October 2020 he was accepted by jury to become a member of the Torpedo Factory Artists Association and, since, has been active within the group as member of various committees and showing his work at the association's galleries in the Mosaic district and at The Torpedo Factory Arts Center.

He is a member of the Alexandria Art League and as such, has show work in show organized by that group and also as member of the Potomac Valley Watercolorists and the Capitol Hill Art League. In addition, he has shown work at Touchstone Gallery, Fairfax Arts Gallery, Del Ray Artisans, VMRC, Hill Center and others. He has been the recipient of several awards.