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An MFA graduate, James brings a rich & energetic brushwork in oil, acrylic, & spray paint to figuration & landscape. He alternates brush handling to create motion, and there is a contemporary sensibility & urgency to his work that reflects his interest in the ways people inhabit their space and feel about it. Tensions are created through abstraction & fragmentation in scenes usually calm & bucolic.

Born September 29, 1974 in Toronto, ON
Lives and works in Kitchener, ON

EDUCATION:

2008 Master of Fine Arts, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
2004 Bachelor of Fine Arts, NSCAD University, Halifax, NS

SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

2012 *Ever After*, Galerie Trois Points, Montreal, QB
2011 *From Landscapes to Love*, Anna Leonowens Gallery, Halifax, NS.
2011 *I Love You*, Angell Gallery, Toronto, ON.
2010 *In Motion*, Kasia Kay Art Projects, Chicago, IL, USA
2009 *Dissimulation*, Angell Gallery, Toronto, ON.
2009 *Transitions*, Rotunda Gallery, Kitchener, ON.
2008 *Modern Dualities*, Angell Gallery, Toronto, ON.
2008 *Painting Feature James Olley*, Harbinger Gallery, Waterloo, ON.
2008 *Flat Places and Dynamic Spaces MFA Thesis Exhibition*, Render Gallery, U of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

2012 PMG Editions Project, Patrick Mikhail Gallery, Ottawa
2011 *Under One Roof*, Kasia Kay Art Projects, Chicago, IL, USA
2011 *A Celebration of Colours*, Jacana Contemporary Art, Vancouver BC.
2011 *Off the Wall, off The Floor*, Curated by: Kasia Kay, Walnut Ink Gallery, Michigan City, IN. USA
2011 *State of the Art*, Patrick Mikhail Gallery, 2401 Bank Street, Ottawa, ON
2010 *Extreme Painting*, Galerie Trois Points, Montreal, Quebec
2010 *I want to Feel at Home Here*, Milepost 5, Portland, OR. USA
2010 *Ten Painters*, Jacana Contemporary Art, Vancouver BC.
2010 *When The Dust Settles*, Angell Gallery, Toronto, ON.
2010 *It Looks Different From This Angel*, Drake Hotel, Toronto, ON.
2010 *Transition Rotating Group Exhibition*, Angell Gallery, Toronto, ON.
2010 *ADANAC*, Jacana Contemporary Art, Vancouver BC.
2009 *Angell Group Show*, Angell Gallery, Toronto, ON.
2009 *Content*, Jacana Contemporary Art, Vancouver BC.
2009 *Artists of the Gallery*, Galerie Trois Points, Montreal, Quebec

2009 *Works on Paper Group Exhibition*, Angell Gallery, Toronto, ON.
2009 *Best of TOAE 2008 Exhibition*, First Canadian Place Gallery, Toronto, ON.
2008 *Intellectual Chic*, Angell Gallery, Toronto, ON.
2008 *Insights 29th Annual Juried Art Show*, Elora Arts Council, Wellington County Museum & Archives, Elora, ON.
2007 *Art Sale*, Art Gallery of Hamilton, Hamilton, ON.
2007 *Conference on International Governance Innovation (CIGI .07)*, The Centre for International Governance Innovation, Waterloo, ON.
2007 *Exposure*, Artery, Kitchener, ON.
2007 *City at Night: A Tribute to Brian Kipping, Nuit Blanche*, BAU-XI Gallery, Toronto, ON.
2007 *ASAP*, Artery, Kitchener, ON.
2007 *Grand Opening Group Exhibition*, Liss Gallery, Toronto, ON.
2007 *Digitalvd - Carbon Footprint*, The Ice Box, Crane Arts Centre, Philadelphia; Edinburgh College of Art, Edinburgh, Scotland; Dundee Contemporary Arts, Dundee, Scotland; Galerie Weissraum, Kyoto, Japan; Groenhazengracht 1, Leiden, Netherlands; Mat's Flat Ul. Holowki 00-749, Warsaw, Poland; Margaret St. Gallery, Birmingham City University, UK; Incident Report, Hudson, New York; Edinburgh Printmakers, Edinburgh, Scotland, Brown Center: MICA, Baltimore
2006 *Kingston Arts Council 5th Annual Juried Arts Salon*, Kingston Frontenac Public Library, Kingston, ON.
2005 *10th Annual Art in the Park*, Markham Museum & Historic Village, Markham, ON.
2004 *Living Landscapes*, Connections Clubhouse, Halifax, NS.
2003 *Consulate General Student Show*, U.S. Consulate General Residence, Halifax, NS.
2003 *Board of Governors Painting Show*, NSCAD University Painting Department, Halifax, NS.
2002 *Look at My Little Landscapes*, Anna Leonowens Gallery, NSCAD University, Halifax, NS.

AWARDS COLLECTIONS AND RESIDENCIES:

2011 Colart Collection, Town of Mont-Royal, QC.
2009 Exhibition Assistance Grant, Ontario Arts Council
2009 Emerging Artist Grant, Ontario Arts Council
2009 Vermont Studio Center Residency, Vermont, USA.
2008 Best Painter Award. Student category, The Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition, Nathan Phillips Square, Toronto, ON.
2008 First Place Painting Award, Elora Arts Council, Elora, ON.
2008 Sylvia Knight Award in Fine Arts, Waterloo, ON.
2007 Shantz Summer Internship Scholarship, Waterloo, ON.
2007 The Keith and Win Shantz Summer Internship, Waterloo, ON.
2006 Honorable Mention Wallack.s Award, Kingston Arts Council, Kingston, ON.
2003 The Robert Pope Painting Scholarship, NSCAD, Halifax, NS.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

2010 *Bravo! To Canadian Art: All About Painting*, Ben Klein, coordinator of "Extreme Painting," speaks to *Bravo! Television*, air date: 2010, 08, 05.
2010 Featured Reviews, Liz Dyla, Chicago Art Magazine, April 5.
2010 Review: James Olley/Kasia Kay Art Projects Gallery, Jamie Calder, Newcity Art, April 8.
2008 *Gallery Going*, Gary Michael Dault, The Globe and Mail, August 9.
2008 *Intellectual Chic at the Angell Gallery*, Lisa Bradburn, Blog T.O., July 12.
2007 *Featured Artist CH Morning Live News*, Hamilton, ON. air date: 2007, 11, 02.
2004 *Barometer Rising: Up and Comers: James Olley*, The Daily News, Halifax, March 25.

ART FAIRS:

2012 Papier 12 Contemporary Art Fair, Montreal

2011 Next 2011 Chicago, Chicago, IL, USA
2010 Next 2010 Chicago, Chicago, IL, USA
2009 Pulse Miami, Miami, FL. USA
2009 The Toronto International Art Fair, Toronto, ON.
2009 The Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition, Nathan Phillips Square, Toronto, ON.
2009 Pulse New York, New York, USA.
2008 The Toronto International Art Fair, Toronto, ON.
2008 The Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition, Nathan Phillips Square, Toronto, ON.
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2004 The Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition, Nathan Phillips Square Toronto, ON.
2003 The Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition, Nathan Phillips Square Toronto, ON.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

2012 Panting II, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.
2012 Intermediate Figure Painting, OCAD University, Toronto, ON.
2012 The Convincing Picture: Critical Views on Painting, OCAD University, Toronto, ON.
2011 Abstract Painting, OCAD University, Toronto, ON.
2011 Painting, Landscape Course, NSCAD University, Halifax, NS.
2011 Into to Painting and Colour Theory, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.
2009 Fundamentals of Drawing Instructor, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.
2008 Fundamentals of Drawing Instructor, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.
2007 Fundamentals of Painting Instructor, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.
2007 Undergraduate Mentor and Studio Advisor, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.
2007 Lecturer's Assistant – Portfolio in Art and Design, North Glasgow College, Glasgow, Scotland
2006 Teacher's Assistant – Fundamentals of Painting, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
2004 Encaustic Workshop Instructor, Connections Clubhouse, Halifax, NS
2003 Guest Artist and Instructor, Halifax Regional Municipality, Halifax, NS

DONATIONS:

2011 Art for Life, Vancouver, BC.
2008 Line Art, Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, ON
2008 University of Waterloo Alumni Exhibition, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
2007 Black & Gold Galla, Kitchener Waterloo Art Gallery, Kitchener, ON
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