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SUSAN SCHWALB (b. 1944)

Susan Schwalb is one of the foremost figures in the revival of the ancient technique of silver and other metalpoint drawings in America. She was born in New York City, studied at the High School of M&A and Carnegie-Mellon University, and has had over 50 solo exhibitions both nationally and internationally. Schwalb's oeuvre ranges from drawings on paper to artist books and paintings on canvas or wood panels; many of these panels are carefully beveled so that the imagery seems to float off the wall. Her work is represented in most of the major public collections, including the Museum of Modern Art, New York, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, the National Gallery, Washington DC, The British Museum, London, The Brooklyn Museum, NY, Kupferstichkabinett - Staatliche Museen zu Berlin, Germany, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, and The Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, England.

EDUCATION

1965 BFA, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

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2025	Whisper, Patrick Heide Contemporary Art, London, England
2024	Creation Works, East End Temple, New York, NY
2022	Susan Schwalls: Convergence / Variations, Heather Gaudio Fine Art, New Canaan, CT

2018 A Luminous Line: Forty Years of Metalpoint Drawings by Susan Schwalb, Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts, Little Rock,

On Point, Raifus Fane Gallery, Boston, MA

2017	Susan .	Schwalb:	Metalpoint	Paintings,	Derfner	Museum,	Riverdale, N	VΥ

2016 Luminous Trace, Garvey | Simon, New York, NY

2013 Spatial Polyphonies: New Metalpoint Drawings, Garvey | Simon, New York, NY

2011 Music of Silence: Recent Metalpoint Paintings, K. Imperial Gallery, San Francisco, CA A Gathering Quiet, Galerie Mourlot, New York, NY

2009 "Interior Voyages: Recent Silverpoint Paintings," Simon Gallery, Morristown, NJ

2008 Music of Silence: Recent Metalpoint Paintings and Drawings, Galerie Mourlot, New York, NY

2006 Metalpoint Paintings, Page Bond Gallery, Richmond, VA Atmospheric Disturbances, Winfisky Gallery, Salem State College, Salem, MA Atmospheric Disturbances, Simon Gallery, Morristown, NJ

2005 Shards of Memory: Recent Metalpoint Paintings, Solomon Fine Art, Seattle, WA Drown in Metal, Robert Steele Gallery, New York, NY

2004 Red Mesa, Cervini Haas Gallery, Scottsdale, AZ

2003 Afterimage: Recent Metalpoint Paintings and Drawings, Robert Steele Gallery, New York, NY Recent Metalpoint Paintings and Drawings, Simon Gallery, Morristown, NJ

2002 Let There Be Light, Adair Margo Gallery, El Paso, TX Palimpsest: Recent Metalpoint Paintings, Cervini Haas Gallery, Scottsdale, AZ

2001 Palimpsest: Recent Metalpoint Paintings, M.Y. Art Prospects, New York, NY

1999 Moments of Resonance: Recent Metalpoint Drawings and Paintings, Andrea Marquit Fine Arts, Boston, MA

1998 Improvisations on Outer Space: Recent Metallic Works on Paper, Birke Art Gallery, Marshall University, Huntington, WV

1997 Improvisations on Outer Space: Recent Metallic Paintings and Silverpoint Drawings, Arthur B. Mazmanian Art Gallery, Framingham State College, Framingham, MA

1996 Galaxies & Other Matter: Recent Metallic Paintings, Andrea Marquit Fine Arts, Boston, MA
Intervals: Silverpoint Paintings, Watson Gallery, Wheaton College, Norton, MA

1994 Silverpoint Drawings, American Cultural Center, Jerusalem, Israel Intervals: Silverpoint Paintings, Andrea Marquit Fine Arts, Boston, MA

1992 The Creation Series (tour), B'nai B'rith Klutznick National Jewish Museum, Washington, DC

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1990 The Creation Series: 15 Years of Silverpoint, Yeshiva University Museum, New York, NY 1989 Silverpoint Drawings, Brad Cooper Gallery, Tampa, FL Silverpoint Drawings, SOHO 20 Gallery, New York, NY Large-Scale Silverpoint Drawings, Saint Peter's Church, New York, NY 1986 1985 Recent Silverpoint Drawings, SOHO 20 Gallery, New York, NY Recent Silverpoint Drawings, Simmons College, Boston, MA 1983 Silverpoint Drawings 1978-1982, The American Center in Belgrade, Banja Luka, and Skopje, Yugoslavia 1978 Orchid Series/Silverpoint Drawings, Loyola University, Chicago, IL 1977 Orchid Series/Silverpoint Drawings, Rutgers University, Newark, NJ Women Artists Series Year Seven, Orchid Series/Silverpoint Drawings, Douglass College, New Brunswick, NJ **GROUP** Post-War Abstraction: Works from The Courtauld, The Courtauld Institute of Art, London, U.K. 2025 2025 Marks in Motion: Contemporary Abstract Drawings, Bradbury Art Museum, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, National Arts Club Annual Exhibiting Artist Members Exhibition, The National Arts Club, New York, NY 2024 Among Friends 4, Metaphor Projects, New York, NY 2023 Line into Space, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX 2023 Innovation in Contemporary Art, Vasarely Museum, Budapest 2023 The 31st Annual National Arts Club Roundtable Exhibition, The National Arts Club, New York, NY 2023 ROAR!!!, Jim Kempner Fine Art, New York, NY 2023 Innovation in Contemporary Drawing and Printmaking Art III, FUGA Budapest Center for Architecture, Budapest, Hungary 2023 Music as Image and Metaphor, Kentler International Drawing Space, Brooklyn, NY 2023 MOCRA: Selections from the Collection, Museum of Contemporary Religious Art, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO 2022 Couloir: dialogues between walls, Conrneilhan, France 2022 This Road is the Heart Opening: Selections from the MOCRA Collection, Museum of Contemporary Religious Art, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO Still Masters: David Connearn, Minjung Kim and Susan Schwalb, Patrick Heide Contemporary Art, London, UK 2022 As Image and Metaphor, Bo Bartlett Center, Columbus, GA 2020 Line into Space, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Nancy and Rich Kinder Building, Houston, TX From Dark to Light, Jason McCoy Gallery, New York, NY In Union, Remotely, Shaker Museum, Old Chatham, NY 2019 Pushing Paper: Contemporary Drawing From 1970 to Now, The British Museum, London, UK Silverpoint, Didier Aaron Gallery, New York, NY Convergence: Caroline Kryzecki and Susan Schwalb, Patrick Heide Contemporary Art, London, UK Contemporary Connections: Silverpoint, Lauren Rogers Museum of Art, Laurel, MI 2018 Transitions, Project: ARTspace, New York, NY 2017 Drawing on History: The National Drawing Invitations: A Retrospective Exhibition, Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts, Little Rock, AR The Jewish Art Salon's "Jerusalem Between Heaven and Earth" curated by Ori Z. Soltes for the Jerusalem Biennale 2017, Hamachtarot Museum, Jerusalem, Israel 2016 Drawing and Prints: Selections from The Met Collection, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY Nearly Uniform: Contemporary Silverpoint Drawings, Dorsky Projects, Long Island City, NY Re-Action, Casal Solleric Museum, Mallorca, Spain 2015 Drawing with Silver and Gold: Leonardo to Jasper Johns, National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC

Line: Making the Mark, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Houston, TX Drawing with Metalpoint, Patrick Heide Contemporary Art, London, UK

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Visions of Passa, Brad Cooper Gallery, Tampa, FL

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	Metalpoint Now, Garvey Simon, New York, NY
	Musing Metallic, curated by Liz Garvey, The Curator Gallery, New York, NY
	Black, Space Gallery, Denver, CO
2014	Biennale der Zeichnung (6th Drawing Biennale), Kunstverien Eislingen, Germany
	New Prints 2014/Summer, International Print Center, New York, NY
	Re-Action: Genealogy and Countercanon, Barjola Museum, Gijón, Spain
2013	Lines of Liminality (with Clifford Smith), Gerald Peters Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
	Paperworks, Telfair Museum, Savannah, GA
	Straight Lines in Five Directions, Garvey Simon, New York, NY
2012	New Prints 2012/Summer, International Print Center, New York, NY
	Uncovered Prints, Kentler International Drawing Space, Brooklyn, NY
2011	Sofia International Paper Art Biennial 2011, Sofia, Bulgaria
	Group Silverpoint Exhibition, Tinney Contemporary Art, Nashville, TN
	Drawings for the New Century, Minneapolis Museum of Art, Minneapolis, MN
2010	Recent Work by Gallery Artists, Etherington Fine Art, Marfa, TX
	Luminous Lines: Contemporary Drawings in Metalpoint, Scripps College, Claremont, CA
	Modern Drawings: Tracing 100 Years, Academy Art Museum, Easton, MD
2009	Group Exhibition: Preview 2010, Blank Space Gallery, New York, NY
	Some Things the World Gave: Jan Lhormer and Susan Schwalb, Simmons College, Boston, MA
	The Luster of Silver, Evansville Museum of Arts and Sciences, Evansville, IN
	Re-Inventing Silverpoint: An Ancient Technique for the 21st Century, Kentler International Drawing Space, Brooklyn,
	NY & Cummings Art Center, Connecticut College, New London, CT
2008	Artists and Books, The Art Complex Museum, Duxbury, MA
	Equilibrium: Susan Schwalb & Nan Tull, Soprafina Gallery, Boston, MA
	No Chromophobia, OK Harris Gallery, New York, NY
	Winter Group Show, Galerie Mourlot, Los Angeles, CA
2007	Control/Chance: Susan Schwalb, Valerie Constantino & Rainer Gross, Gráficas Gallery, Tuscon, AZ
	Contemporary Metalpoint Drawing, Art Students League, New York, NY
	Selections from the Kentler Flatfiles, Brooklyn Academy of Music, Brooklyn, NY
	In Residence: Artists and the MacDowell Colony Experience, Thorne-Sagendorph Art Gallery, Keene State College,
	Keene, NH
	Abstraction Updated: Deborah Muirhead, Susan Schwalb & Suzanne Volmer, G.A.S.P, Brookline, MA
	Chance and Necessity, Kentler International Drawing Space, Brooklyn, NY
	Red, Black and Red, All Over, Michele Mosko Fine Art, Denver, CO
2006	Figure/Ground, Kentler International Drawing Space, Brooklyn, NY
	Never Done: Works by Women Artists from the Puzzuoli Miller Collection, Huntington Museum of Art, Huntington,
	WV
	Words to Live By, Solomon Fine Art, Seattle, WA
	From Sea to Shining Sea, District of Columbia Art Center, Washington, DC
	The Luster of Silver: Contemporary Metalpoint, Telfair Museum of Art, Savannah, GA
	Boundaries: Book Arts Between the Traditional and the Experimental, Erie Art Museum, Erie, PA
	The Square, The 'temporary Museum of Painting, Brooklyn, NY
2005	New England/New York New Talent, Hampden Gallery, U Mass/Amherst, Amherst, MA
2004	Drawing Show, Robert Steele Gallery, New York, NY
	National Drawing Invitational, Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts, Little Rock, AR
	New Face: New Visions, Danforth Museum of Art, Framingham, MA
2002	Drawing Invitational, The Art Store, Charleston, WV
2003	Insomnia: Landscapes of the Night, The National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington, DC

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Recent Acquisitions of Contemporary Works on Paper Part Two: Everywhere but Califronia, Palace of the Legion of Honor, San Francisco, CA

- 2002 New England/New Talent and A Nation Mourns & Artists Respond, Fitchburg Art Museum, Fitchburg, MA Recent Acquisitions, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX
- 2001 At the Edge: The Horizon Line Contemporary Art, Dorsky Gallery, New York, NY Burn: Artists Play with Fire, Norton Museum of Art, West Palm Beach, FL Minimalennialism, Jim Kempner Fine Arts, New York, NY
- 2000 Visual Memoirs: Selected Paintings and Drawings, The Rose Art Museum, Waltham, MA
 A Decade of Collecting: Recent Acquisitions of Paintings and Drawings, The Fogg Art Museum, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Group Exhibition, Robert Steele Gallery, New York, NY

Vernal Equinox, The Art Store, Charleston, WV

25th Annual National Invitational Drawing Exhibition, Norman R. Eppink Art Gallery, Emporia State University, Emporia, KS

Black and White, Spheris Gallery, Walpole, NH

Jewish Artists: On the Edge, College of Santa Fe, Santa Fe, NM

Living in the Moment: Contemporary Artists Celebrate Jewish Time, Hebrew Union College, New York, NY

- 1999 Ninth Triennial, Fuller Museum of Art, Brockton, MA
- 1998 Vibration, Margaret Thatcher Projects, New York, NY

Books As Art X, The National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington, DC

Portfolio Series, Eich Space, New York, NY

Pierogi 2000 NY-Flatfiles, Künstlerhaus, Vienna, Austria

- 1997 Current Undercurrent: Working in Brooklyn, The Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, NY Recent Acquisitions, Wynn Kramarsky Inc, New York, NY Sizzle and The Art Exchange, Jeffery Coploff Fine Art Ltd, New York, NY
- The Drawing Show, Boston Center for the Arts, Mills Gallery, Boston, MA

 Large Drawings and Objects: Structural Foundations of Clarity, Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts, Little Rock, AR

 Drawings from Boston: Selections from The Boston Public Library Collection, Harvard Club, Boston, MA

 Viewpoints II, Andrea Marquit Fine Arts, Boston, MA

25 Years of Feminism, 25 Years of Women's Art, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

Power, Pleasure, Pain: Contemporary Women Artists Space and the Female Body, Fogg Art Museum, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Drawing, Discovery and Diversity, Brad Cooper Gallery, Tampa, FL

RESIDENCIES

2022	Baer Art Center, Hofsós, Iceland
2010	M: C C C A C A

- 2010 Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, Amherst, VA
- 2007 Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, Amherst, VA
- 1994 Tel Aviv Artists' Studios, Tel Aviv, Israel Mishkenot Sha'ananim, Jerusalem, Israel
- 1992 Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, Amherst, VA
- 1989 MacDowell Colony, Peterborough, NH
- 1981 Yaddo, Saratoga Springs, NY
- 1975 MacDowell Colony, Peterborough, NH
- 1974 MacDowell Colony, Peterborough, NH
- 1973 Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, Amherst, VA

SELECTED GRANTS & AWARDS

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- 1991 Massachusetts Cultural Council Arts Grant 1989 Exhibitions Grant, Committee for the Visual Arts, Inc – Artists Space, New York, NY 1985 Exhibitions Grant, Committee for the Visual Arts, Inc – Artists Space, New York, NY International Communications Agency Travel Grant, Copenhagen, Denmark 1980 1977 Exhibitions Grant, Committee for the Visual Arts, Inc – Artists Space, New York, NY **SELECTED PRESS** 2021 Berman, Greta, "Art of Contemporary 'Old Master," Persimmon Tree, Fall 2021 2017 Reynolds, Janet, "On Point," TAKE Magazine, Issue 5, Vol.3, November/December 2017 2015 Berkowitz, Evan, "Silver and Gold Art Comes to the National Gallery," http://umdwritersbloc.com, May 27, 2015 Brown, Mark, "Mysteries of metalpoint explored in British Museum exhibition," The Guardian, UK, September 30, 2015 Corona, Sarah, "Interview with Susan Schwalb," Wall Street International Magazine, June 16, 2015 Camhy, Sherry, "Silverpoint Secrets and Myths," Drawing Magazine, Summer 2015 Furman, Anna, "Ten Artists Redefine a Traditional Technique in Contemporary Terms," Artsy.com, June 26, Guner, Fisun, "Drawing in Silver and Gold: Leonardo to Jasper Johns," theartsdesk.com, September 2015 Cunningham, Caroline, "Metal Winners," New England Home, January/February 2012 2012 2011 McClemont Doug, "Susan Schwalb," ARTnews, April 2011 Rooney, E. Ashley, "100 Artists of the Mid-Atlantic," Schiffer Publishing Ltd, Atglen, PA 2011 Pg.114-11 2008 Nashim: A Journal of Jewish Women's Studies & Gender, Fall, Number 16, 2008 2007 Eshoo, Amy, "560 Broadway- A New York Drawing Collection at Work, 1991-2006," Yale University Press, Soltes, Ori Z., "Heilige Zeichen," Parthas Verlag, Berlin, Germany 2007 Beck-Friedman, Tova, "Susan Schwalb, Drawn in Metal," The New York Art World, November 2005 2005 2004 Orenstein, Gloria, "Feman Vision and Visibility: Contemporary Jewish Women Artists Visualize the Invisible," Femspec, Vol.4 Issue 2, Lexington Press, 2004 2000 Faxon, Alicia, "Visual Memoirs-Rose Art Museum," Art New England, April/May 2000 Soltes, Ori Z., "Contexts: Jews and Art at the End of the Millennium, included in 'Faith: The Impact of Judeo-Christian Religion on Art at the Millennium," The Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, CT 2000 1999 Faxon, Alicia, "Susan Schwalb: Moments of Resonance," Art New England, June/July 1999 Broude, Norma and Garrard, Mary (ed), "The Power of Feminist Art: The American Movement of the 1970s, 1996 History and Impact," Harry Abrams, 1996 Cohen, Joyce, "Galaxies and Other Matter and Intervals," Art New England, August/September 1996 1994 Harrison, Helen A., "Contemporary Metalpoint Drawings," The New York Times, March 3, 1994 Hightower, Marvin, "The Female Body as Seen by Its Inhabitants," Harvard Gazette, March 15, 1994 Gregoricus, Jason, "Female Artists Hang at the Fogg," Cambridge Chronicle, December 9, 1993 1993 1991 Bard, Elin A., "Drawings at Benson," Dan's Papers, June 14, 1991 1990 Clayton, Helen, "Wheaton College Exhibit Uses Art to Convey Spirituality of Women," The Sun Chronicle, February 5, 1990 Faxon, Alicia, "Drawing: Line or Image," New Art Examiner, January 1990 Faxon, Alicia, "Spirituality in Contemporary Art by Women," Art New England, April 1990 1988 Breslow, Stephen, "Four Women Artists: Thompson/Schwalb/Pachner/Hirt," Atlanta Art Papers, March/April 1988 Faxon, Alicia and Moore, Sylvia, "Pilgrims and Pioneers: New England Women in the Arts," Midmarch Arts 1987
- 1986 Faxon, Alicia, "Susan Schwalb: Silverpoint Drawings," Women Artists News, Winter 1986

Books, 1987

1985 Dreishpoon, Douglas, "The Fine Line: Drawing with Silver," Arts Magazine, September 1985

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Earley, Sandra, "Art: The Siren Song of Silverpoint," The Wall Street Journal, September 11, 1985 Glueck, Grace, "Imagery from the Jewish Consciousness," The New York Times, June 6, 1982

Franklin, Valerie, "Drawing Invitational: Six Women," The Arts Journal, November 1979

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

PUBLIC

1982

1979

Academy Art Museum, Easton, MD

Achenbach Foundation for Graphic Arts at the de Young and the Legion of Honor Museums San Francisco, CA

Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts, Little Rock, AR

The Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, England Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, La Jolla, CA

B'nai B'rith Klutznick National Jewish Museum, Washington, DC

The British Museum, London, England

The Brooklyn Museum of Art, Brooklyn, NY

Boston Public Library, Boston, MA

Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA

The Columbus Museum, Columbus, GA

The Courtauld Institute of Art, London, UK

Danforth Museum of Art, Framingham, MA

Davis Museum and Cultural Center, Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA

Derfner Museum, Riverdale, NY

Evansville Museum of Art and Science, Evansville, Indiana

The Fogg Art Museum, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

The Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel

The Houghton Library, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

The Israel Museum, Jerusalem, Israel

Kupferstichkabinett - Staatliche Museen zu Berlin, Germany

The Library of Congress, Washington, DC

The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY

Minneapolis Institute of Art, Minneapolis, MN

Museum of Art/Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI

Museum of Contemporary Religious Art, St. Louis, MO

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas

The Museum of Modern Art, Belgrade, Serbia

The Museum of Modern Art (MOMA), New York, NY

The National Gallery of Art, Washington DC

The National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington DC

The National September 11 Memorial & Museum, New York, NY

The New York Public Library, New York, NY

New York Historical Society, New York, NY

The Norton Museum of Art, West Palm Beach, FL

The Old Jail Art Center, Albany, TX

The Rose Art Museum, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA

Simmons College, Boston, MA

Telfair Art Museum, Savannah, GA

Vassar College, Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center, Poughkeepsie, NY

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