

# HEATHERGAUDIOFINEART

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## WAYNE LEVIN (b. 1945)

Levin began his interest in photography when his father gave him a Brownie camera and film-developing kit for his 12th birthday. He went on to study at the Brooks Institute of Photography where he participated in the Civil Rights movement with camera at hand. After being discharged in 1968 from serving in Vietnam for two years, Levin traveled the world to document images before settling in Hawaii with his family. Levin earned his BFA and MFA in photography on the mainland where he worked and taught for several years until he married and settled for good in Hawaii in 1990. Today, Levin is renowned for his portrayal of swimmers, surfers, divers and sea-life all taken below the water's surface. Rather than documenting sub-aquatic nature and human activity per se, his pictures capture the mystery and awe of a world where light is refracted into mercurial shadows, where a dense darkness and the vastness of the unknown is present. Some of his photographs are so nuanced they take on the appearance of charcoal drawings. Levin's work has been exhibited nationally and internationally, and is held in major public collections such as the MoMA in New York.

## EDUCATION

1982 M.F.A., Photography, Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY  
1979 B.F.A., Photography, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA

## SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

### SOLO

2025 *Wayne Levin, Explorations: A Retrospective, 1965-2024*, Kahilu Exhibits, Waimea, HI  
2024 *Wayne Levin: A Life in Photography, Retrospective 1965-2024*, Downtown Art Center, Honolulu, HI  
Datz Press, South Korea  
2023 Polu Gallery, Haleiwa, HI  
2017 Mumm Fine Art Photography Gallery, Napa, CA  
2016 Smith Andersen North, San Anselmo, CA  
Keck Center, Washington, D.C.  
2015 National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D.C.  
2014 Molokai Museum and Cultural Center, Kalae, HI  
2013 Dimbola Museum & Galleries, Isle of Wight, United Kingdom  
M.I.A. Gallery, Seattle, WA  
Kirsch Gallery, Punahou School, Honolulu, HI  
2012 Art Center Sarasota, FL  
Maui Arts & Cultural Center, Schaefer International Gallery, HI  
Mokupāpapa Discovery Center, Hilo, HI  
2011 East Hawaii Cultural Center, Hilo, HI  
2010 The Contemporary Museum at First Hawaiian Center, Honolulu, HI  
2005 Rosenberg and Kaufman Fine Art, New York, NY  
2004 Robert Koch Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
2003 Discover Waikoloa Gallery, Waikoloa, HI  
University of Wyoming Art Museum, Laramie, WY  
2002 Spokane Falls Community College, Spokane, WA  
San Francisco Airport Museum, San Francisco, CA  
2001 Rosenberg & Kaufman Fine Art, New York, NY  
2000 Louis Stern Fine Arts, Los Angeles, CA  
1999 Robert Koch Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
Volcano Arts Center, HI  
1998 Kansas State University Art Gallery, Manhattan, KS  
The Landmark Tower Gallery, Yokohama, Japan  
Maui Arts & Cultural Center, Schaefer International Gallery, HI

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The Contemporary Museum at First Hawaiian Center, Honolulu, HI  
1992 New York University, Tisch School of Art Gallery, New York, NY  
1990 Dayton Art Institute, Dayton, OH  
1989 University of California at San Francisco, San Francisco, CA  
Bishop Museum, Honolulu, HI  
Eye Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
Tokyo Designer Space, Photo Gallery, Japan  
1987 Columbia College, Chicago, IL  
1985 Equivalents Gallery, Seattle, WA  
Honolulu Academy of Arts, HI  
1984 Cityscape Gallery, Pasadena, CA  
1983 Arsenal Gallery, New York Dept. of Parks, New York, NY  
1980 Focus Gallery, San Francisco, CA

## GROUP

2025 Kyotographie International Photography Festival, Kyoto Journal, Kyoto, Japan  
2024 The Swell is Coming, Hō`ikeākea Gallery, Leeward Community College, Honolulu, HI  
Silver OG Exhibition, `Iolani Gallery, Windward Community College, Honolulu, HI  
Imagine Water, Lo`i Gallery, Honolulu, HI  
Insight/Incite 20/20 Bolinas Museum, CA  
2018 Surfing Hawai`i, Maui Arts & Cultural Center, HI  
Franklin G. Burroughs-Simeon B. Chapin Art Museum, Myrtle Beach, SC  
Beneath the Surface, Gallery `Iolani, Windward Community College, HI  
2015 *Liquid Light: Photographs from Beneath the Sea*, The Mariners' Museum, Newport News, VA; Art  
Museum of South Texas, Corpus Christi, TX  
*Voyaging: The Art of Wayfinding*, Hawaii State Art Museum, Honolulu, HI  
National Exhibition, Flow Art Space, St. Paul, MN  
2014 *Flow*, Datz Museum of Art, Seoul, Korea  
Image & Imagination, Hawaii State Art Museum, Honolulu, HI  
2012 *Figures*, Andrew Rose Gallery, Honolulu, HI  
*Ke ike o ka Moana: The Knowledge of the Ocean*, Honolulu Hale, HI  
2009 Clic Gallery, New York, NY  
2005 VIP room of the American Pavilion at the World's Fair, Japan  
*Reflecting Hawaii*, Hawaii State Art Museum, Honolulu, HI  
2004 *In Focus*, Honolulu Academy of Arts, Honolulu, HI  
2003 *Reflecting Buddah*, Pasadena Museum of Art, Pasadena, CA  
2002 *Surf Culture: The Art History of Surfing*, Laguna Art Museum, California; The Contemporary Museum,  
Honolulu, HI; The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia, Virginia Beach, VA; The San Jose Museum of Art,  
San Jose, CA  
*Obsession*, Robert Koch Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
*Artists of Hawaii*, Honolulu Academy of Arts, Honolulu, HI  
*Kahoolawe: Rebirth of a Sacred Hawaiian Island*, Arts and Industries Building, Smithsonian Institution,  
Washington, D.C.  
*Mysterium Photographicum*, Dunedin Fine Art Center, Dunedin, FL  
2000 *ConTempo RARITIES 2000*, The Contemporary Museum, Honolulu, HI  
1999 *Spatial Relations*, Rosenberg & Kaufman Fine Art, New York, NY  
1998 *Paradise/Paradox, Contemporary Photography in Hawai`I*, Hui No`eau Visual Arts Center, Maui, HI  
1997 *He`e Nalu: Wave Riding*, Hope Street Gallery, Los Angeles, California, & North Terminal Gallery, San Francisco  
International Airport, CA

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- 1996 Kaho'olawe Exhibit, Bishop Museum, Honolulu, HI
- 1993 First Biennial Exhibit, The Contemporary Museum, Honolulu, HI
- 1992 *This Sporting Life*, High Museum, Atlanta, Georgia, and traveling exhibition
- 1991 Ohio Arts Council Exhibition, Riffe Center for Government and the Arts, Columbus
- 1989 *Crossings 1989*, Paris, France
- 1988 *Swimmers*, Burden Gallery, New York, NY and Aperture traveling exhibition

## RESIDENCIES

- 1986 Resident Work Grant, Maine Photographic Workshop, Rockport, ME

## SELECTED GRANTS & AWARDS

- 2014 Historic Hawaii Foundation Preservation Media Award, "A Source of Light, Constant & Never Fading" Exhibit
- 2013 Ili Na Ho'omana'o o Kalaupapa: Casting Remembrances of Kalaupapa, Pacific Historic Parks, Hawaii Book Publishers Association, Excellence in Photography and Honorable Mention for Excellence in Design
- 2006 Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts, Individual Artists Fellowship
- 1998 Through a Liquid Mirror, Hawaii Book Publishers Association Hawaii Book of the Year, Best Design, Best Illustrative Book, Best Photography
- 1989 Ohio Arts Council, Photographers Fellowship
- 1984 National Endowment for the Arts, Photographers Fellowship
- 1979 San Francisco Art Institute, Publishing Grant

## SELECTED COLLECTIONS

- Banana Republic
- Bishop Museum, Honolulu, HI
- Cavallo Point, San Francisco, CA
- The Contemporary Museum, Honolulu, HI
- Datz Museum of Art, Seoul, Korea
- Daum Museum of Contemporary Art, Sedalia, MO
- Dayton Art Institute, Ohio
- Dimbola Museum & Galleries, Isle of Wight, United Kingdom
- First Hawaiian Bank
- Hawaii State Art Museum, Honolulu, HI
- Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts
- Honolulu Academy of Arts, Honolulu, HI
- Honolulu Advertiser Collection, Honolulu, HI
- Honolulu Board of Realtors
- The Mariners' Museum, Newport News, VA
- Mokupapapa Discovery Center, Hilo, HI
- Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego, CA
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Honolulu, HI
- Noguchi Museum, New York, NY
- Pfizer, New York, NY
- Progressive Art Collection, OH
- Society for Contemporary Photography, Kansas City, MO
- St. Johns Hospital, Santa Monica, CA
- Tudor Investment Corp.
- University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY