

# david lusk gallery

## veda reed

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### education

- 1956 BFA, Memphis College of Art  
Siena College, Memphis  
Institute of Design, Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago

### solo exhibitions

- 2021 *Studying 2021*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis  
2019 *Transition*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis  
2017 *Oklahoma Skies*, Tennessee Valley Museum of Art, Tusculumbia, AL  
2016 *Day Into Night*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis, TN  
*Day into Night*, David Lusk Gallery, Nashville  
2015 *Last Light*, David Lusk Gallery  
2012 *From Dusk to Dawn*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis  
2009 *Veda Reed: Paintings Recent and Previous*, Mississippi University for Women, Columbus, MS  
2007 *daybreak/nightfall*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis  
2004 *New Paintings*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis  
2001 David Lusk Gallery, Memphis  
1999 Ledbetter Lusk Gallery, Memphis  
1998 Tennessee State Museum, Nashville  
1996 Lisa Kurts Gallery, Memphis  
1995 Kurts Bingham Gallery, Memphis  
1993 Kurts Bingham Gallery, Memphis  
1991 Bingham Kurts Gallery, Memphis  
1989 Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis  
1987 Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis  
1985 Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis  
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1981 Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis  
1980 *Veda Reed Paintings & Drawings: 1955-1980*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis  
1976 Great Expectations, Memphis  
1975 Great Expectations, Memphis  
Memphis College of Art, Memphis  
1974 Great Expectations, Memphis  
1973 Mickelson Gallery, Washington, DC  
Great Expectations, Memphis  
1971 *Veda Reed Paintings & Drawings*, Rhodes College, Memphis  
1970 Memphis College of Art, Memphis  
1969 The Boatman Gallery, New York  
Great Expectations, Memphis  
1967 *Veda Reed Paintings: Houses and Things*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis  
Creative Arts, Memphis  
1963 Memphis College of Art, Memphis  
Morris Gallery, New York  
1961 Morris Gallery, New York  
1960 Morris Gallery, New York  
Memphis College of Art, Memphis  
1957 Morris Gallery, New York  
1956 The Book Shelf, Memphis

## group exhibitions

- 2019 *Daily Art*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis and Nashville
- 2018 *Daily Art*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis and Nashville
- 2017 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2016 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2015 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis and Nashville  
*Summer Reading*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2014 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2013 *Present Tense: The Art of Memphis from 2001 – Now*, Dixon Gallery and Gardens, Memphis  
*Works of Heart*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis  
*Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2012 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2011 *Ripped From the Studio*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2009 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2008 *Works of Heart*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 2007 *15th Annual Heart Auction*, Child Advocacy Center, Memphis
- 2004 *Art of Tennessee*, Frist Center for the Visual Arts, Nashville (catalog)  
San Francisco International Fine Art Exposition, San Francisco,
- 2002 *Side By Side*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis,  
*A Century of Progress: Twentieth Century Painting in Tennessee*, Cheekwood Museum of Art, Nashville,
- 1999 *Arts Day*, Memphis Arts Council, exhibition at Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1996 *Burton Callicott & Veda Reed: Teacher & Student*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis  
*Arts Day*, Memphis Arts Council, Askew Nixon Ferguson Architects, Memphis
- 1995 *Arts Day*, Memphis Arts Council, Askew Nixon Ferguson Architects, Memphis
- 1994 *Small Scale Grand Gestures*, Kurts Bingham Gallery, Memphis  
*BOXES: Artists Respond to the Object*, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE  
*Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis,
- 1993 *From the Mountains to the Mississippi*, West Tennessee Exhibit, Tennessee Committee of the National Museum of Women in Arts, Memphis State University, Memphis  
*Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1992 *Selected Works: 1935 - 1985*, Bingham Kurts Gallery, Memphis  
*RED: The Artists Respond*, Bingham Kurts Gallery, Memphis  
*The Faculty Invites 35 Contemporary Artists*, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE  
*Veda Reed & Burton Callicott*, University Museum, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL  
*Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1991 *Form, Fantasy & Function III*, Bingham Kurts Gallery, Memphis  
*Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1990 *For the Preservation of Nature: The Artists' Response*, Traveling Exhibit: Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis, TN; Lake Charles Memorial Hospital, Lake Charles, LA; Schmidt Bingham Gallery, New York  
*Overton Park: Vision and Inspiration*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis  
*TENNESSEE PAINTING TODAY: A Celebration of the Sixties*, Cheekwood, Nashville  
*Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis  
*Oklahoma Landscapes*, Shainberg Gallery, Memphis
- 1989 *Celebrating the Tenth Anniversary of Alice Bingham Gallery*, River Center Gallery, Memphis  
*Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1988 *New Horizons*, Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis  
*Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1987 *50 Years of Visual Creation*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1986 *Memphis: 1948 - 1985*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis  
*American Landscape: New Vistas*, Schmidt Bingham Gallery, New York
- 1985 *Landscape and Genre Painting in Tennessee, 1810-1985*, Tennessee State Museum, Nashville; The Dixon Gallery and Gardens, Memphis  
*Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1984 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis  
*Christmas on the River*, Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis

- 1983 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis  
*Works Under Ten Inches by Ten Artists*, Alice Bingham Gallery, Memphis
- 1982 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1981 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1980 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1979 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1978 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1977 *Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1976 *The Memphis Masters*, Et Cetera Gallery, Memphis
- 1975 *Veda Reed & Ron Pekar*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1974 *Combined Faculty Show*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1973 *Combined Art Faculty Exhibition*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1972 *Memphis Academy of Arts Biennial Faculty Exhibition*, Traveling Exhibit: Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis; Southeast Arkansas Arts and Science Center, Pine Bluff, AR; Fort Smith Art Center, Fort Smith, AR; George Thomas Hunter Gallery  
 Chattanooga; Fisk University, Nashville; Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR
- 1970 *Veda Reed & Charles Inzer*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis  
*Cornucopia '70*, Great Expectations, Memphis  
*Memphis Academy of Arts Biennial Faculty Exhibition*, Traveling Exhibit: Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis; Paducah Art Guild, Paducah, KY
- 1968 *Memphis Academy of Arts Biennial Faculty Exhibition*, Traveling Exhibit: Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis; Lambuth College, Jackson, TN; Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR  
*Tennessee Painting Today*, Cheekwood, Nashville
- 1967 *Twelfth Mid South Exhibition*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1966 *Faculty Exhibition: The Memphis Academy of Arts*, Traveling Exhibit: Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis; Furman University, Greenville, SC; Columbia Museum of Art, Columbia, SC
- 1965 *Tenth Annual Mid-South Exhibition*, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1964 *Seventh Delta Exhibition*, Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock
- 1961 *7th Annual Painting of the Year Exhibition*, High Museum, Atlanta  
*Art in the South Invitational Exhibition*, University of Southwestern Louisiana, Lafayette, LA
- 1960 *Designer Craftsmen USA*, Museum of Contemporary Crafts, New York
- 1959 *Delta Annual*, Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock
- 1958 *The Memphis Academy of Arts Fellowship*, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1956 *Young Americans and Young Scandinavians*, Museum of Contemporary Crafts, New York

## **commissions**

Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, Stanford, CT  
 Memphis Country Club, Memphis  
 Memphis In May, poster honoring the Netherlands, Memphis  
 The University Club, Memphis

## **awards and honors**

- 1996 Tennessee Governor's Award in the Arts, Individual Artist
- 1966 Benjamin Goodman Faculty Travel Award, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1965 Honorable Mention, Mid-South Exhibition, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1961 Honorable Mention, Painting of the Year Exhibition, Atlanta
- 1960 First Prize, Designer Craftsmen USA, Museum of Contemporary Crafts, New York
- 1959 Honorable Mention, Delta Annual, Little Rock
- 1958 First Prize, The Memphis Academy of Arts Fellowship, Memphis
- 1956 First Prize, Young Americans and Young Scandinavians, Museum of Contemporary Crafts, New York

## **juror**

- 1997 Junior Mid-South Scholastic Art Awards, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1978 Junior Mid-South Exhibition, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
- 1971 State (TN) Art Show of the National League of American Pen Women, Nashville
- 1968 National Scholastic Arts Awards, New York

## memberships

1976-78 Art Today, Advisory and Selections Committee, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art  
1972-76 Tennessee Arts Commission, Visual Arts Advisory Panel  
1970-72 Memphis City Beautiful Commission  
1960-61 American Craftsmen's Council, West TN Chairman

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The Commercial Appeal, Fredric Koeppe, *Best of 2012: Art, Year's top exhibitions rife with revelations*, Dec. 12, 2012  
The Commercial Appeal, Fredric Koeppe, *Cloud forms abstract, sentient*, April 2012  
The Memphis Flyer, Visionaries, Carol Knowles, October 15, 2009  
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Sidney Tillum, *Veda Reed*, May 1960, p. 57  
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Congressional Record, United States House of Representatives  
Hon. Ed Jones of Tennessee, *Tribute to Veda Reed*, Proceedings and Debates of the 96th Congress, Second Session, Vol. 126, No. 54, April 1, 1980  
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Craft Horizons *Veda Reed*, July-August 1960, p. 15  
Olga Gueft, *Young Americans*, February 1957, p. 30-31  
Interiors American & Scandinavian Crafts, January 1957, p. 10  
Memphis Business Journal  
Edwin Howard, *Sun Rises and Sets in Artist Veda Reed's Newly Spiritual Paintings*, April 17-21, 1989  
*Veda Reed Dips Her Brushes In Pure Divine Light*, April 15-19, 1985  
*Four Artists in Show Reflect Influence of Veda Reed*, July 1985  
Memphis Press-Scimitar  
Audrey West, *Precise Veda Reed, Artist, Doesn't Have Time For Errors*, May 14, 1975  
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John Weeden, *Veda Reed*, Spring 1999, No. 36, p. 17

Cory Dugan, *Veda Reed*, 1989, Vol. 2, No. 4, p. 28

The Commercial Appeal

Vanessa Jones, *Art's Passage, Callicott, Reed in One Show*, March 31, 1996

Fredric Koeppel, *Vibrant Vision Contrasts With Delicate Darkness*, April 18, 1991

*Landscapes Rewarding in Richness of Details*, April 14, 1989

Donald La Badie, *Longtime Memphian Paints Lush Greens of Adopted Home*, April 10, 1983

*Artist Rises to Dutch-Salute Challenge*, March 27, 1982

*She Hasn't Brushed Aside Awe*, April 12, 1981

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## **collections**

Apperson Crump Duzane & Maxwell, Memphis  
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Baker Donelson, Memphis  
Boyle Investment Company, Memphis  
Bracewell & Patterson, Washington, DC  
Buckeye Cellulose, Memphis  
First Tennessee Bank, Memphis  
Guardsmark, Memphis  
Independent Bank, Memphis  
Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis  
Memphis Cancer Center, Memphis  
Memphis College of Art, Memphis  
Memphis Cook Convention Center, Memphis  
Memphis Outpatient Heart Lab, Methodist Hospital, Memphis  
Memphis University School, Memphis  
National Bank of Commerce, Memphis  
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Opryland Hotel, Nashville  
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Rhodes College, Memphis  
Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL  
Shea Law Firm, Memphis  
South Trust Bank, Memphis  
State University of New York at Binghamton, Binghamton, NY  
The Cardiovascular Specialists, Memphis  
The State of Tennessee Fine Arts Collection, Nashville  
Tucson Museum of Art, Tucson  
Union Planters National Bank, Memphis  
Urban Arts Commission, Memphis International Airport, Memphis

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