

Lórien Eck Art & Design
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Artist Statement

A combination of our vast cosmos, the natural elemental world and the Divine inspires me to paint, purely from instinct, explorations of truth, beauty and creation itself, working with my instruments of alchemy: light (all colors) and the earth's raw materials. My art career has been dedicated to inspiring ecological awareness through a combination of color and beauty—through texture and movement—a subject the world must pay attention if life on Earth is to have a fighting chance.

The primary medium of my artwork mixed-media paintings inspired by our environment, water preservation and the cosmos. Capturing a sense of the world's majestic beauty with my vivid colors and bold brush-work, my intention is to create a powerful combination of *inner and outer landscapes* that guide the viewer into a deep reflection. A long-time advocate for environmental justice, my work is more vital than ever before with the current challenges that threaten our Earth.

Art with Lórien

Art with Lórien is here to teach people of all ages about the wonders of color, texture, and the magic of feeling good through creative self-expression! I offer small group online art classes to children ages 6-18. To support you in Awakening your Divine inner artist, I offer an informative and fun series of videos hosted on the Art with Lórien YouTube channel, as well as weekly live broadcasts on social media channels and my YouTube channel. Join me!

Fine Artist, 2011–Present

Lórien Eck Art & Design, Los Angeles, CA

Artist of mixed media paintings, gift products and commissioned works from Waterfront Studios™

Featured artist and producer of online art classes.

Small-business management: sales, marketing, operations, customer experience provider and administration.

Social media writer and composer, creating daily or regular updates on Facebook,

Instagram, YouTube, LinkedIn, Pinterest and Twitter.

Visual Arts Teaching Experience

2007-2012 Visual Arts Educator, West Adams Preparatory High School, Central Los Angeles, LAUSD

2002-2007 Visual Arts Educator, John Muir Middle School, South Central Los Angeles, LAUSD

2001 Visual Arts Student Teacher, Ghana International School, Accra, Ghana, West Africa

Education

2011-2012 Continuing Education Painting/Drawing Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles, California

2012 Drawing and Painting CSU Summer Arts International Program, Florence, Italy

2006 National Board Certified Teacher (NBCT)-Early Adolescence to Young Adulthood Art

2006 **M. Ed.** With Honors, St. Lawrence University, Canton, New York

California State Teaching Credential, Single-Subject Art, K-12

Cross-Cultural, Language and Academic Development (CLAD) Certificate

1994 **B.A.** Studio Art, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, California

Artist in Residency

2013 Artist in Residence, NoniLand Agriculture and Research Center, Hawaii

2011 Artist in Residence, *The Artist, The Community and The Creative Process*, St. Lawrence University, Canton, New York

Solo Exhibitions

2017 Gallery 381, Swimming Into Starlight, San Pedro, CA

2015 KO'AN Center, Santa Monica, California

2014 Lang Fine Art, Laguna Beach, California

Temple of Light, Irvine, California

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Peet's Coffee and Tea, Laguna Niguel, California

Team Euro Design, Sausalito, California

San Francisco New Living Exposition

Wine and Wonder, O'Connor Mortuary, Laguna Hills, California

Magnolia Wellness Center, San Francisco, California

2012 *Venice Art Crawl / Locals Night*, Venice, California

Select Group Exhibitions

2017 **Annual CA 101**, It Takes a Village, Redondo Beach, CA

2017 **Legacy**, Lang Fine Art, Laguna Beach, CA

2016 **Gallery Tally**, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions, Hollywood

2015 **Gallery Tally**, Center for Contemporary Art, Santa Fe, New Mexico

Gallery Tally, Matucana 100, Santiago, Chile

Looking Forward, Looking Back, New Mexico Museum of Art,
Santa Fe, NM,

Art in the Park, Art show, Newport Beach, CA

Annual CA101, Redondo Beach, California

51st Annual Newport Beach Art Exhibition, California

Oakland Museum of California, Oakland, California

Hale ARTS SPACE, Santa Monica, California

2014 Laguna Gallery of Contemporary Art, Laguna Beach, California

(En)Gendered (In) Equity Gallery Tally Poster Project, For Your Art,
Los Angeles, California

- 2013-2014 Bridge to the Soul: The Art of Healing, Los Angeles, California
2013 HaleARTS SPACE, Santa Monica, California
- 2012 CSU Summer Exhibition, Firenze, Italy
The Mother Exhibition, Art For All People Gallery, Malibu, California
Equinox Show, Art For All People Gallery, Malibu, California
Ritz-Carlton Hotel Laguna Niguel, California
HaleARTS SPACE, Santa Monica, California
- 2011 HaleARTS SPACE, Santa Monica, California

Art Auctions and Charitable Work

2015 **The Peace Exchange-** Sustainable Fair Trade, Laguna Beach, CA

2014 **Art for Clare**, Clare Foundation, Santa Monica, CA
8th annual fundraiser for addiction and recovery services

Modjeska Ranch Rescue, Annual Art & Wine Fundraiser, Modjeska Canyon, CA- dedicated to finding homes for neglected and abandoned animals.

Grapes for Grads VIII, Laguna Beach, CA-Scholarship fundraiser for college-bound students from Laguna Beach HS and LCAD

Save the Arts – LAUSD, Los Angeles, California - Benefitting underfunded arts programs in Los Angeles public schools K-12

2013 **Haight Ashbury Psychological Services**, San Francisco, California -Providing the community with access to quality mental health care.

Age Well Senior Services, Non-Profit Serving Orange County, Laguna Woods, California -Providing Meals on Wheels, Transportation, Adult Day services and Health and Wellness Programs

2012 **Whole Planet Foundation**, Los Angeles, California-Various non-profits benefiting from the support

Save the Arts – LAUSD, Los Angeles, California- Benefitting underfunded arts programs in Los Angeles public schools K-12

Grapes for Grads VI, Laguna Beach, California-Scholarship fundraiser for college-bound students from Laguna Beach HS and LCAD

2011 **Save the Arts** – LAUSD, Los Angeles, California - Benefitting underfunded arts programs in Los Angeles public schools K-12

Private Collections

Lórien’s original artwork is in private collections in the following locations:

Massachusetts
Oakland, CA
Half Moon Bay, CA
Naples, FL
Dana Point, CA
Irvine, CA
Laguna Niguel, CA
Palm Desert, CA
Rancho Mirage, CA
Los Angeles, CA
San Diego, CA
San Francisco, CA
Mill Valley, CA
Portland, Oregon
Las Vegas, NV
Kauai, Hawaii
Canada
Italy
England
France

Humanitarian Work

2002-Present Community Educator, **Living Values Educational Program**

2004-2008 Volunteer, Meditation Teacher, **International Youth Retreat**, Mt. Abu, Rajasthan, India

2002-2005 Volunteer, Meditation Teacher, **Women's Health and Wellness Retreats**, California

2002-2008 Youth Coordinator, Meditation and Art Teacher, **Los Angeles Youth Group**, Brahma Kumaris WSO Los Angeles

2003-2006 Community Service Volunteer, **KTLA Kids Day LA and Lotus Festival**, City of Los Angeles

2001 Volunteer, English and Art Teacher, **Biblioteca Santa Cruz La Laguna**, Lake Atitlan, Guatemala

2001-2007 Art Teacher, **Village Outreach Program**, Mt. Abu, Rajasthan, India

2001 Teacher Trainer, **Living Values Educational Program**, UN Refugee Camp, United Nations High Commission for Refugees, Thailand-Burma Border

2001-Present Founder-**World Wide Weavers**, an international arts philanthropic project to promote the arts and create economic sustainability for fine artists, craftspeople, and musicians
www.worldwideweavers.com

1997 Volunteer, House Builder and Teacher, **Xela Aid, Neuvo Amanecer, Women's Weaving Cooperative**, San Miguel Chiquito, Guatemala

Awards and Grants

2006 **Teacher of the Year Award**, Los Angeles County Office of Education, Los Angeles

2006 **Bravo Award Honorable Mention Winner**, Visual Arts Specialist Teacher, The Music Center, Education Division, Los Angeles

2006 **Recipient of an Instructional Technology Outreach Mini-Grant**, Los Angeles Office of Education and California Technology Assistance Project

- 2008 *FEDCO Grant Recipient*, The California Foundation, - Art supplies for my art classroom
- 2008-2009 *Grant Recipient*, Donors Choose, “Strike a Pose, Yoga in the Classroom”, and “Living in a Digital World” classroom projects
- 2009 *Grant Recipient*, Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising, (FIDM)-Funds for student projects in fashion and design
- 2010 *Grant Recipient, Field Trip Grant and Teachers Talk! Contest*, FIDM-Student field trip for college, over 60 students participated
- 2009 *Teacher Innovation Grant Recipient*, MLA Partner Schools, Los Angeles- Project Founder/Coordinator of student-designed community labyrinth garden

Publications

2010 Contributing Author, *Arts = Education: Connecting Learning Communities in Los Angeles*. Irvine: CLAT Publications in association with UC Press.

2006 Author, *Evaluation and Assessment in Middle-Level Art Education – Applications of Constructivist Theory*, *Journal for the Practical Application of Constructivist Theory in Education*, St. Lawrence University, New York

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