

# **Ralph B. Sirianni**

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Member of Vietnam Veterans Art Group  
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- BORN:** Buffalo, NY – January 2nd, 1949
- EDUCATION:** State University College At Buffalo, NY  
M.S. Degree in multidisciplinary studies;  
Concentration in art therapy and human services, 1992
- State University of New York at Buffalo, NY  
B.A. in Fine Arts, 1978
- MILITARY:** US Marine Corps – 1968-1972
- TEACHING:** Adult education studio art classes, 1989 – present.

## **COMMISSIONS**

Cover Art for Students Speak: Reactions To Class Experiences At Buffalo State College, Dr. Abel King Fink, 2010

Town of Tonawanda Veterans Memorial, Tonawanda, NY 2009

Matt Urban Memorial, Rath Building, Buffalo, NY 2008

The Remembrance Fountain, VA Hospital, Buffalo, NY 2006

Buffalo Police Memorial Plaque For Fallen Officers 2005

Design for Vietnam Memorial (Federal Bldg.) Buffalo, NY 2004

Artwork for Wendell Rivera's 3rd CD, " Among Friends." 2002

Mural for AMVETS Post 14, Depew, NY 2001

Design & Sculpture for Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park, Sprague Brook, NY 2000

Cover art for Soldier's Heart: Survivor's Views of Combat Trauma, Sidran Foundation 1993.

Design for Cheektowaga Veterans Memorial, Cheektowaga, NY 1989.

Design for Western New York Korean Memorial, Buffalo, NY 1989.

Design for West Seneca Vietnam Memorial, West Seneca, NY 1985

Design of Center Stone for WNY Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Buffalo, NY 1984

Three Murals, Veteran's Administration Health Care Center, Buffalo, NY 1977-78.

Mural, Laborers Hall Local 210, Buffalo, NY 1977.

## **EXHIBITIONS**

- 2010** Roycroft Copper Gallery, East Aurora NY
- 2009** "Things Carried" exhibit, River Grove H.S., Roselle, IL  
Freeport Art Museum, Freeport, IL
- 2008** Kaskaskia College, Centralia, IL

- 2006-2007** One Man Show, The Adams Gallery, Dunkirk, NY
- 2006** The Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, NY
- 2005-2006** The Adams Gallery, Dunkirk, NY
- 2005** One Man Show, Virginia Weiss Gallery, Empire State College, Buffalo, New York
- 2005** Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana. Group show.  
Peace and Reconciliation Art Exhibit, Homer, Alaska
- 2004** One-man show Virginia Weiss Gallery / Empire State College, Buffalo, NY
- 2003** Pensándote Gallery, 181 Allen St, Buffalo, NY  
One Man Show, Karpeles Manuscript Library Museum, Buffalo, NY
- 2002** "(def\*ni\*tion) Art Gallery", Buffalo, NY  
One Man Show, Upton Gallery 234, Buffalo State College, Buffalo, NY
- 2001** Artwork in Response to September 11th Terrorist Attacks, Upton Gallery 234, Buffalo State College, Buffalo, NY
- 2000** Red, White and Blue Show, Aurora Fine Arts Center, Aurora, IL
- 1999** Center For The Humanities, Boston, MA  
Boston Courthouse Show, Boston, MA  
Indiana University, IN  
Prairie Edge Gallery, SD  
Aurora Fine Arts Center, Aurora, IL
- 1996** Peoria Art Center, Peoria IL
- 1992** Upton Gallery 234, Buffalo State College, Buffalo, NY, one-man show.  
R.H. Lover Gallery, Chicago, IL.; Vietnam Veterans Arts Group (VVAG) show.  
Nancy Driscoll Gallery, Sea Cliff, Long Island, NY; group show.  
The Galleries, Buffalo, NY; group show.
- 1991** Kennesaw State College, Marion, Georgia; VVAG show
- 1990** Cheekwood Center of Fine Arts, Nashville, Tennessee; VVAG show.  
Louisville Center for the Arts, Louisville, Kentucky; VVAG show.  
Horace C. Smith Building, University of South Carolina, Spartanburg, SC, VVAG show.  
New York State Vietnam Memorial Gallery, Albany, NY; one-man show.  
Canton University, NY
- 1989** Upton Gallery 234, Buffalo State College, Buffalo, NY; group show
- 1988** Columbia Art Museum, Columbia, South Carolina; VVAG show
- 1987** West Bend Art Gallery, West Bend, Wisconsin; VVAG show  
St. Lawrence University, Canton, NY; VVAG show
- 1986** Randolph Street Gallery, Chicago, IL.; VVAG show

- 1985** Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; VVAG show  
 Lakeview Art Museum, Peoria, IL; VVAG show  
 Vietnam Veterans Memorial Art Gallery, Rockefeller Plaza, Albany, NY, VVAG show  
 Mazur Gallery, Buffalo, NY; one-man show
- 1984** Lincoln Center for the Arts, New York, NY VVAG show.  
 The Armory, Burlington, North Carolina; VVAG show.  
 Lyndon B. Johnson Library Museum, Austin, Texas; VVAG show.
- 1983** New York State Vietnam Memorial Dedication and Art Show, Albany, NY; VVAG show  
 Rotunda of the United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.; VVAG show
- 1982** Vietnam Art and Photography Show, Buffalo, NY; group show
- 1981** The Vietnam Experience Art Exhibit, New York, NY; group show.  
 The Arsenal Gallery, New York, NY; group show.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- 2010 Block Club, Sept/Oct 2010  
 2006 After 50 News, January  
 2005 Veteran, Vietnam Veterans of America, November/December  
 2005 Gusto, Buffalo News, November 11<sup>th</sup>  
 2005 Cover artwork featured on May-June issue of The Old Breed News  
 2004 UB Alumni Association Website (Fall)  
 2004 Buffalo Spree Magazine, July/August  
 2004 Buffalo Law Journal, May 27th  
 2000 ArtVoice, Buffalo, NY, June 13  
 2000 Herd About Buffalo, Roswell Park Alliance Foundation  
 1999 The Bloomsbury Review (March/April 1999)  
 1998 Vietnam Reflexes and Reflections, Abrams Books  
 1997 Art And Antiques Magazine and Art in America Magazine  
 1995-2000 Artwork For Incoming, Island Poets INC.  
 1993-95 Artwork For American Veteran  
 1993 Service Employees Union Magazine, Feature art story.

## **CITATIONS**

- 2010 Senate of the State of New York Proclamation for work with Veterans  
 2004 Mayor's Award for art that serves the city of Buffalo  
 2003 Buffalo Police Detectives Association Award for police sketches  
 2002 *ARTVOICE* (Summer Guide issue)  
 1998 Leatherneck Magazine of Marines  
 1991 Cited in Carolina Journal (videotape, SCETV (South Carolina Educational Television),  
 "Richard Olsen, Recent 'Wall' Paintings, USC-Spartanburg, S.C., April, 1991.  
 1990 Cited in M. Thien, "Vietnam Exhibit Tours Cheekwood", The Tennessean , September 30, 1990.  
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 1989 Cited in K. Cox, "Vietnam artists bring their work memories to USCS", The Carolinian,  
 November 10, 1989. pg. 7.

- 1989 Cited in Carolina Journal (videotape, SECTV ( South Carolina Educational Television), "Vietnam: Reflexes and Reflections". USC-Spartanburg, S.C. November 1998.
- 1989 Article illustration for Vietnam Combat, Volume 1, number 4, 1989.
- 1986 Featured in cover story of The National AMVET, volume 36, number 1, 1986.
- 1985 Article illustration for Vietnam Combat, volume 1, number 3, 1985.

**LECTURES AND ART PRESENTATIONS:**

- 2009 University At Buffalo graduate Social Work students
- 2009 University At Buffalo School of Psychology
- 2007 Forensic Anthropology Dept., University at Buffalo
- 2007 Art of Justice, Adams Art Gallery, Dunkirk, NY
- 2006 Integrative Seminar (Social Work), State University of New York at Buffalo, NY
- 2006 Weinberg Campus, Getzville, NY
- 2006 Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, NY
- 2005 State University At Fredonia, NY
- 2003 Freemasons, Buffalo, NY
- 1999-2000 Veterans Administration Medical Center, Buffalo, NY
- 1999 Medaille College, Buffalo, NY
- 1993 Trocaire College, Buffalo, NY
- 1992 Guest lecturer, State University College at Buffalo, graduate students in clinical art therapy; slide/lecture on older adult patients in long-term care.
- 1992 Guest lecturer, State University College at Buffalo, graduate students in art education and clinical art therapy; slide/lecture on The Art of Vietnam Veterans.
- 1992 Guest speaker, School for Visual and Performing Arts, Buffalo, NY, lecture on The Vietnam Experience.
- 1991 Guest lecturer, State University College at Buffalo, graduate students in art education and clinical art therapy; slide/lecture on The Art of Vietnam Veterans.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- 2004 String Fever, fundraiser for Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra
- 2004 Art Unleashed, a fundraiser for The SPCA and WNY Arts Council
- 2000-present Police Sketches for the Buffalo, NY Detective Bureau
- 2000 Design for "Buffalo Soldier", "Herd About Buffalo" campaign, for Roswell Park Cancer Institute.
- 1991 Coordinator/installation for exhibition, Artwork of the Creative Arts Group, Nursing Home Care Ward (9A), Veterans Administration Medical Center, Buffalo, NY

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