

JAMES FREDERICK painter, illustrator, cartoonist

James paints in representational and expressionism styles as an emotional response to the light and color of his environs on Cape Cod. Using broad confident strokes, he creates an energetic tension between paint and fabric. He also illustrates unique wood panels depicting Provincetown scenes using acrylic, oil pastel and pencil. James has published multiple comic books and coloring books.

James grew up in Ohio where his father worked as an illustrator for the US Air Force. Painting and drawing from an early age in a family of artists, James focused on design, forging a successful interior design career with a variety of major brands while at several agencies. He has lived in Pittsburgh, Boston, Chicago and Cincinnati prior to Provincetown. Frederick Studio Provincetown was opened in 2015 as a working art studio and exhibition space.

CURATED EXHIBITIONS

A Community Affair April 2025 - Provincetown Arts Society, Provincetown, MA

A Closer Look at James Frederick July 2024 - Currated by Gene Tartaglia, Provincetown Arts Society, Provincetown, MA Winter Exhibition Jan. - Mar. 2024 - Provincetown Arts Society at Mary Heaton Vorse House, Provincetown, MA Studio Jackie Dec. 2019 - Red Dot Miami at Art Basel, Miami, FL

Abstractions and Other Perceptions May - Jun. 2019 Gallery 444, Provincetown, MA

Member's Juried Exhibition Sept. - Nov. 2017 PAAM, Provincetown, MA

OTHER EXHIBITIONS

Pride of PAGA 2024 - PBG Pride Center, Provincetown, MA

12x12 Silent Auction 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015 - PAAM, Provincetown, MA

March Member's Open Exhibition 2022, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2015 - PAAM, Provincetown, MA

Small Works Member's Exhibition 2021, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015 - PAAM, Provincetown, MA

Town Exhibition 2016, 2015, 2014 - Fine Arts Work Center, Provincetown, MA

IN-STUDIO EXHIBITIONS

2024 - VTV, Elemental Sustenance, Bloom, Seascapes Revival, Washed, The Little Things

2023 - Just the Tip, Remember When?, Brave Optimism, Road Trip, Shacked Up, Maritime Skies, The City

2022 - Land's End, Sand & Sprig, VTIV, Make Waves, Whole Grain, Deep, Rich and Full

2021 - A New View, Glow, In the Garden, A Quiet Roar, Windward, Sweet & Salty, Reflections, Light of Winter

2020 - S6, Apart, Vivid Tranquility III, The Birds & The Bees, Cape Cod Color, Vigorous Serenity, A Winter's Tale

2019 - Simple Splendor, Body of Work, It's All in There, Overboard

2018 - Journey, Woodworks, UnScaped, Size Matters, Vivid Tranquility I & II, Ingrained

2017 - All On Board, Moustachio, Minis, LOL3, Sweet & Salty, Discovery

2016 - Minis, This American Town II, Fourth Dimension, Gables & Cables, LOL, Changes

2015 - Seascapes, Aperture Paris, This American Town, Bearly Men, Sweet & Salty, Labor of Love, Space Between, Feast

PRESS & ENGAGEMENTS

The Stroll August 2024, Provincetown Independent

Artists of Provincetown April 2024, Ron Amato Photography

Reinventing Winter March/April 2024, Artscope Magazine

Wake Up! With James Nov 2023, Wake Up! In Provincetown

The Long and Winding Road Aug 2023, Provincetown Magazine

Creating and Maintaining a Sustainable Creative Practice May 2022, Panel Discussion, Provincetown Commons

Trigger Warning Apr. 2020, Official Anthology of the New York City Queer Comics Fair 2020

Artist to Meet Dec. 2019, Daily Front Row - Art Basel Issue, fashionweekdaily.com

Wanna Pucker Up With James Frederick? Mar. 2019, QueerGuru Magazine

What's Weird About a Beard May 2018, QueerGuru Magazine

James Frederick Draws the Funny Side of Provincetown Jan. 2018, QueerGuru Magazine

Best Inspiring Art Studio July 2017, Cape Cod Magazine

Speaking of Art with James Frederick May 2015 & June 2016, visit-provincetown.org

BOOKS

That's Nuts 2020; Pucker Up! 2019; What's Weird About a Beard 2018; Color Me P-Town Holiday Edition 2017; Cycle of Life 2017; Gym Shorts 2017; The Truth About Cuddling 2017; There I Am - A Pilgrimage Back to Me 2017; Color Me Cape Cod 2016; Color Me P-Town 2016