

ART EXHIBITION Jerry Garcia Paintings & Drawings: 1961–1995

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This summer, the San Francisco Art Institute (SFAI) presents the first survey of legendary musician Jerry Garcia's lifelong visual art practice. Garcia, born and raised in San Francisco and a lifelong Bay Area resident, was deeply influenced by the city's colorful and diverse cultures.

When he was a teenager, Garcia studied visual art at SFAI (then called the California School of Fine Arts) with teachers including Wally Hedrick, a seminal American visual artist of the Bay Area Beat Generation. Garcia's painting and drawing practice continued throughout his life and provided a creative refuge in an extremely public and successful career.

The exhibition includes more than 60 works, both figurative and abstract, including ink and charcoal drawings, watercolors, and digital paintings, along with a selection of Garcia's sketchbooks. It is curated by Andrew McClintock from the collection of Deborah Koons Garcia, Garcia's widow who received her MFA in film at SFAI.

Jerry Garcia was a composer, songwriter, and guitarist who played with The Jerry Garcia Band, the Grateful Dead, and David Grisman.

General Information

San Francisco Art Institute – Fort Mason's galleries are open to the public Wednesday - Sunday 11am - 7pm and are located on Pier 2 within Fort Mason Center for Arts & Culture, 2 Marina Blvd., San Francisco, CA.

Galleries are free to the public. For more information, the public may visit sfai.edu or call (415) 749-4563.

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