

About the Artist

Essex Garner



Visual artist, Essex Garner is an acclaimed painter. Garner is a Kansas City native and a twice juried artist with the National Oil & Acrylic Painter Society Best of America, and a Professor of Fine Arts at Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri.

Influenced by the artists, Henry Ossawa Tanner and Dean Mitchell, his vivid oil and watercolor paintings have been displayed in numerous galleries and museums throughout the United States.

Formally trained as an artist at Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri, he holds a Bachelors of Science in Art Education from Lincoln University, he also holds a Bachelors of Fine Art from Lincoln University and a Masters in Education in Leadership Training & Curriculum Development with an emphasis in Art Education from the University of Missouri.

Currently, he is publishing and illustrating children's literature with his wife. In addition he reproduces, manufactures, and markets his copy written artwork.

He resides in Jefferson City, Missouri with his wife and two daughters.



Bruce R. Watkins Cultural Heritage Center and Museum

The Cultural Center & Museum is named in honor of Bruce R. Watkins, a

political and social activist. Watkins was fueled by the need to recognize and preserve the varied contributions African Americans made to the development of Kansas City.

The Center & Museum opened in 1989 as the outgrowth of Watkins' efforts. Construction of the Center was made possible through the work and contributions of the Bruce R. Watkins Fountain, Inc., the KCMO Parks and Recreation Department, and the State of Missouri-Natural Resources Department.

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