

# Jeffrey Van Maren

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## ARTIST

Jeffrey Van Maren works with passion toward a synergy of form, color and light. First, an image is fractured into planes. Then, using a dynamic and highly spontaneous working method he crafts an exciting image, which hovers between recognition and abstraction. A painter and watercolorist for many years, he studied extensively under his mentor, the late Bruce McGrew. In 1995 he originated and began to develop a new form of expression, which he calls Dimensional Paper Collage. Mr. Van Maren describes it as “a three-dimensional paper space.” “The form of collage which I’ve developed has highly sculptural elements. I’m constantly challenged. Every form, every image has its balance points. It has dynamic tensions of form and color. I try to find those points and draw them out.”

## LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT

Arizona Registration #20663

Jeffrey Van Maren is a landscape architect with more than three decades of experience. His projects have included a botanical garden, master-planned communities, health resort and custom residences. He has extensive background in all levels of project development. He directs every phase from design through completion of construction, and coordinates the efforts of contractors. Excellent technical qualifications complement a strong creative vision in the design of aesthetically pleasing and functional spaces.

## EDUCATION

**Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture** • California Polytechnic State University • San Luis Obispo  
**Fine Arts** • University of Arizona • Tucson AZ

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2008 The Drawing Studio, Tucson, AZ  
2008 Womankraft Gallery, Tucson, AZ  
2001 Murphey Gallery at St. Philip’s Episcopal Church, Tucson, AZ  
1996 Desert Botanical Gardens, Phoenix, AZ  
1996 Subway Gallery, Bisbee, AZ

## INVITATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

2005 Davis Dominguez Gallery, Tucson, AZ  
2002 Davis Dominguez Gallery, Tucson, AZ

## **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2001 Tucson Botanical Gardens, Tucson, AZ  
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2000 Grasslands Gallery, Sonoita, AZ  
1997 Global Arts Gallery, Patagonia, AZ  
1997 Tucson Botanical Gardens, Tucson, AZ  
1996 Hacienda del Sol Gallery, Tucson, AZ

## **AREAS OF PROFICIENCY**

- Experienced in all phases of design from program definition through working drawings; expertise in:
  - Negotiation and contract administration
  - Preparation of preliminary design and presentation to client
  - Preparation of final construction documents
  - Construction materials, methods and techniques
  - Regional plant material
  - Design of outdoor structures such as ramadas, pools, spas, fireplaces, fountains, and other hardscape elements
  - Grading, irrigation and lighting
  - Design/build
- Communication that is straightforward, honest, and articulate, yet tactful and diplomatic.
- Sincere sensitivity to unique needs and aspiration of all segments of a community.

## **CAREER HIGHLIGHTS**

**AAA LANDSCAPE** TUCSON, ARIZONA 2013- PRESENT  
DIRECTOR OF DESIGN BUILD

**SOUTHWEST UNIVERSITY OF VISUAL ARTS** TUCSON, ARIZONA 2011 - 2013  
ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR

**JEFFREY VAN MAREN, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT** • Tucson, Arizona • 1990- 2013  
Owner and Principal of Landscape Architecture Firm

**Oasis Gardens** • Tucson, Arizona • 1985-1990  
Premier Design/Build Firm in Tucson, Arizona

**Rogers, Gladwin and Harmony (The Acacia Group)** • Tucson, Arizona • 1983- 1985  
Landscape Architects

## AWARDS

Arizona Landscape Contractors Association Judges Award for the  
Tucson Botanical Gardens Herb and Amphitheater Gardens

Arizona Landscape Contractors Association Award of Distinction for the use of  
Native Plants in the Entry Design of Canada Hills Estates

City of Tucson Water Smart Judges Award for the Tucson Botanical Gardens Bird Garden

## SELECTED PUBLISHED AND EXHIBITED DESIGN WORKS

TUCSON OFFICIAL VISITOR'S GUIDE 2006

*"Graceful Courtyards"* SUNSET MAGAZINE October 2005

*"Made in the Shade"* ARIZONA DAILY STAR SEPTEMBER 2005

*"Landscaping with Cactus"* • SUNSET MAGAZINE • 2002

*"Downtown Gallery Summer Preview"* • DOWNTOWN TUCSONAN • 2002

*"Outdoor Expressions- Arizona Landscape Architects"* • SKY HARBOR AIRPORT, PHOENIX AZ • July 1997

*"A City Garden: Where Less is More"* • TUCSON LIFESTYLE • April 1995

*"Water Smart Landscape Awards"* • TUCSON LIFESTYLE • August 1994

*"An Herbal Celebration"* • ARIZONA DAILY STAR • May 1, 1994

*"25 Concerned Years"* • ARIZONA DAILY STAR • February 19, 1994

*"Home Court for the Kerrs"* • TUCSON LIFESTYLE • January, 1993

*"Landscaping at Desert's Edge"* • SUNSET MAGAZINE • September 1991

*"The Southwest"* • GARDENING AMERICA • 1990

*"Pink and Purple in the Patio"* • TUCSON LIFESTYLE • May 1989