

Paul M. Murray Photographer and Writer

A Rhode Island native and extensive traveler, Paul is an internationally recognized color photographer and skilled journalistic writer. His expression in images, words and design reflect a blend of his lifelong interests in art, nature, technology, aviation, urban life and societal change.

Early in his career, Paul's photographic and journalistic experiences earned him a scholarship to Medill School of Journalism's Summer Institute at Northwestern University. That empowering experience combined with opportunities to participate in Boston's fast-growing software, networking and consulting hi-tech communities took him to many parts of the world which helped hone his vision and appreciation for widely divergent perspectives.

His approach to photography and life is to remain open, trust his instincts and discard labels that are divisive. He uses technology to increase his creative options and productivity but not to replace his vision and responsibility. Among those who have influenced his expression are documentary photographers Dorothea Lange and Helen Levitt, natural light photographer Jay Maisel, painter and photojournalist Librado "Lee" Romero, print-maker and pin-hole photographer Walter "Rusty" Crump, and designer and artist Ken Done.

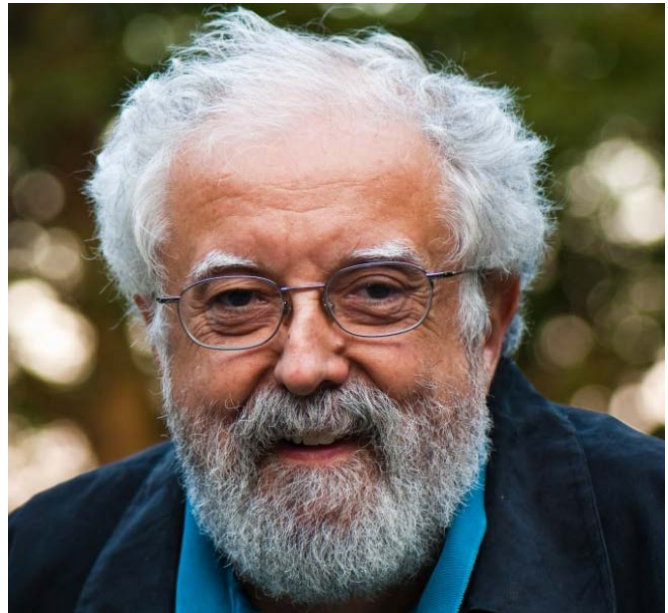
Paul is a firm believer in giving back to the community through his photography and writing. Drawing on his aviation background, he was the lead author and photographer on three photo-oriented books related to the Rhode Island National Guard's award-winning annual air show and their international military parachuting competition known as Leapfest. He has donated his skills to community efforts in several states.

Paul lives in Jamestown, RI, under the watchful guidance of his fearless kitty, Hailey, as well as others.

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"Staying instinctive, remaining vigilant and working the opportunity are critical. When in doubt, I do something different or unexpected."

Art Association Memberships

Wickford (RI) Art Association, *Juried Artist*
Providence Art Club, *Exhibiting Artist Member*
South County (RI) Art Association, *Artist Member*
Newport (RI) Art Museum and Photo Guild
Portsmouth (RI) Arts Guild
19 On Paper (RI)
Conanicut Island (RI) Art Association
Pawtucket (RI) Arts Collaborative
East Greenwich (RI) Art Club, *Associate Member*
Artists' Cooperative Gallery of Westerly (RI), *Associate Artist Member*
Art League of Rhode Island, *Elected Artist Member and Board Member*
Plymouth (MA) Art Guild, *Juried Russell Gallery Artist*
Attleboro (MA) Arts Museum, *Artist Member*
Cape Cod (MA) Art Association, *Juried Artist*
Griffin Museum of Photography (Winchester, MA)
Photographic Resource Center (Boston, MA)
Mystic (CT) Arts Center, *Elected Artist*
Connecticut Academy of Fine Arts, *Elected Artist Member*
The Golden Thread Gallery (West Hartford, CT)
The Academy of Fine Arts (Lynchburg, VA)

Published Books

2009 Rhode Island National Guard Air Show:
2009 Selected Highlights

2010 Leapfest 27: An International Military
Parachute Competition

2011 2010 R. I. National Guard Air Show:
20th Anniversary Commemorative

Invited Exhibitions/Presentations

North Kingstown (RI) Free Library
Warwick (RI) Museum of Art
Wickford (RI) Art Association
South County (RI) Art Association
Hera Gallery, RI
Hope Gallery, RI
Newport (RI) Art Museum's Photo Guild
Portsmouth (RI) Art Guild
Peter Miller Gallery, RI
The Golden Thread Gallery, CT

Awards

- 2010 [4th Annual International Color Awards](#)
Honorable Mention in Nature
- 2011 [5th Annual International Color Awards](#)
Seven nominations in Fine Art, Nature, Americana, Still Life and Sport
- 2012 [South County Art Association](#)
85th Members Annual - Best in Photography Award
[Wickford Art Association](#)
All Media Open Juried II Show - Honorable Mention in Photography
[Plymouth Center for the Arts](#)
45th Annual Juried Show - Honorable Mention in Photography
Autumn/Holiday Show - Honorable Mention in Photography
[Cape Cod Art Association](#)
"Fall for the Arts" - Honorable Mention
- 2013 [6th Annual International Color Awards](#)
Honorable Mention in Nature as well as nine nominations in Wildlife, Nature, Fine Art, People, Sport and Americana
[Wickford Art Association](#)
Photography Show - First Prize
A-Z Member's Show - Honorable Mention in Photography
All Media Open Juried II Show - Honorable Mention
"Anything Goes!" Show - Honorable Mention
[Conanicut Island Art Association](#)
"Through the Lens" Show - First Prize
"Absolutely Abstract" Show - First and Third Prize
- 2013 [The Darkroom Gallery](#)
"Rare Earth" Show - Juror's Choice
[Hope Gallery](#)
"Reflections" Show - Honorable Mention
[Portsmouth Art Guild](#)
"Abstractions IV" - Honorable Mention
[Duxbury Art Association](#)
2013 Juried Winter Show - Honorable Mention
[Newport Art Museum](#)
Photo Guild Exhibit - Honorable Mention
[Cape Cod Art Association](#)
"The F Stops Here" Show - People's Choice Award
"All Things Bright & Beautiful" - First Place in Photography
[Attleboro Arts Museum](#)
Members' Exhibit - Merit Award and "8 Visions" Finalist
- 2014 [7th Annual International Color Awards](#)
Ten nominations in Americana, Children of the World, Nature, People and Sport
[Wickford Art Association](#)
"Ocean State" Show - Judge's Award
[Conanicut Island Art Association](#)
Photography Juried Show - Second Prize
"The Artist's Eye" Show - Honorable Mention
[Connecticut Academy of Fine Art](#)
1st Online Photo Exhibit - Honorable Mention
[Cape Cod Art Association](#)
"All Cape Cod" Show - Honorable Mention
"All New England" Show - 2nd Place in Photography
[Plymouth Center for the Arts](#)
47th Annual Juried Art Show - Honorable Mention in Photography
[Bristol Art Museum - Rogers Free Library](#)
"Joie de Vivre" Show - Best in Show
[Attleboro Arts Museum](#)
Members' Exhibit - Juror's Choice Award and "8 Visions" Finalist
- 2015 [8th Annual International Color Awards](#)
Honorable Mention in Still Life as well as 13 nominations in Abstract, Americana, Architecture, Children of the World, Nature, People, Portrait and Sport
[Bristol Art Museum - Rogers Free Library](#)
"Artist's Choice" Show - Honorable Mention
[IMAGO Gallery](#)
Annual Open Exhibit - Recognition Award
[Warwick Museum of Art](#)
"Nature's Gifts" Show - Honorable Mention
- 2015 [Wickford Art Association](#)
"Anything Goes!" Show - Judge's Award
Photography Show - Honorable Mention
[Plymouth Center for the Arts](#)
Fine Art of Photography Show - Honorable Mention in Color Photography
48th Annual Juried Art Show - Lambert Award of Excellence in Color Photography
[Norwich Art Center](#)
Photo 10 Open Exhibit - Second Place Award
[South County Art Association](#)
All Media Open Juried I - Honorable Mention
[Providence Art Club](#)
Fall Members' Exhibit - Third Place
[Attleboro Arts Museum](#)
Members' Exhibit - Merit Award and "8 Visions" Finalist
[Duxbury Art Association](#)
2015 Juried Winter Show - Second Place in Photography
- 2016 [9th Annual International Color Awards](#)
Nominations in Abstract, Children of the World, Portrait and Sport
[11h Annual International Black & White Spider Awards](#)
A nomination in Nature
[Bristol Art Museum - Rogers Free Library](#)
"Close to Home" Show - Second Place
"New England's Best" Show - First Place
"Taking Flight" Show - First Place
[Cape Cod Art Association](#)
The National - Honorable Mention in Photography
[ACGOW](#)
2016 Regional - Washington Trust Fine Arts Award
[Warwick Museum of Art](#)
"Remember When" Show - Award of Excellence
"Nature's Gifts" Show - Honorable Mention
[Sohn Fine Art Gallery](#)
5th Annual Exhibit - Third Place
[311 Gallery](#)
2016 Photography Juried Show - First Place
[Jacksonville Arts Center](#)
2016 Jax Juried Exhibit - First Place
[City Lights Art Gallery](#)
Fall Juried Competition - Honorable Mention
[Emerald Art Center](#)
Annual Fall Photography Show - People's Choice
[Cultural Center of Cape Cod](#)
APERTURES - Honorable Mention in Seascape
[Plymouth Center for the Arts](#)
48th Annual Juried Art Show - Second Place in Color Photography
Spring Show - Honorable Mention
[Wickford Art Association](#)
Abstract/Avant Garde Show - Honorable Mention
[IMAGO Gallery](#)
Annual Open - IFA Members Award
[Attleboro Arts Museum](#)
Members' Exhibit - "8 Visions" Finalist
- 2017 [10th Annual International Color Awards](#)
Honorable Mention in Nature as well as eight nominations in Architecture, People, Portrait, Sport, Still Life and Wildlife
[Sacramento Fine Arts Center](#)
"Animal House" - Honorable Mention
[Bristol Art Museum - Rogers Free Library](#)
"Seascapes" Show - First Place
[Plymouth Center for the Arts](#)
"Encounters" Show - Second Place
"Awakenings" Show - Honorable Mention
[Hygienic Art Gallery](#)
11th Annual Crossing Juried Exhibit - Second Place Award
[Warwick Center for the Arts](#)
"Journeys" Show - Honorable Mention
"Exploring Abstracts" Show - Honorable Mention
[Conanicut Island Art Association](#)
"Elements" Show - Third Place
[New York Center for Photographic Art](#)
"Liquid 2017" Show - Juror's Selection