

# Paul S. Benjamin

## Education

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
Bachelor of Arts (1988)

## Experience

Terra Foundation for American Art Teacher Workshop Instructor: DePaul University 2008  
Romare Bearden Foundation Teachers Workshop Instructor: Museum of The Art Institute of Chicago 2007  
After School Matters Art Instructor: Dunbar Vocational Career Academy 2005  
After School Matters Art Instructor: Carver Military Career Academy 2004

## Selected Solo / Two-Person Exhibitions

### **2009**

Swan Coach House Forward Arts Foundation Emerging Artist Award "G<sup>2</sup>: Transformations" Atlanta, GA  
Nicole Gallery "Between Here and There" Chicago, IL

### **2008**

University of Illinois Urbana/Champaign "Between Here and There" Champaign, IL

### **2007**

Chicago State University "A Cut Above: Collages With Spirit" Chicago, IL

### **2006**

University of Illinois AAC Center "Defining the Lines of Color: A Patriotic view of America" Chicago, IL

### **2005**

University Of Illinois "The Traveler" Chicago, IL

### **2004**

Tall Grass Arts Foundation Park Forrest, IL  
The Tavern Club Gallery Chicago, IL  
University of Illinois Montgomery Ward Gallery "New Works" Chicago, IL

### **2003**

ETA Creative Arts Foundation Chicago, IL

## Selected Group Exhibitions

### **2009**

Tubman African American Museum "Urban Chrysaliosis" Curated by Michael Scoffield Macon, GA  
Museum of Contemporary Art of Georgia "Dissolving Stereotypes/Forging New Dialogues: An Exhibition Beyond Race"  
Curated by Larry Walker  
Madison Morgan Cultural Center "The Reclamation of Memory" Curated by Lynn Marshall Linnemeier Madison, GA  
National Black Fine Art Show New York, NY  
Museum of Science and Industry "Black Creativity" Chicago, IL

### **2008**

Hyde Park Art Center "Not Just a Pretty Face" Chicago, IL  
South Shore Arts: The Center for Visual and Performing Arts "The Daniel Texidor Parker Collection" Munster, IN  
Museum of Science and Industry "Black Creativity" Chicago, IL  
National Black Fine Arts Show New York, NY

### **2007**

Orleans Street Art Gallery "Re-Fuse" Curated by Anni Holm St. Charles, IL  
Gallery Guichard "Art di Gras II" Chicago, IL  
Spruill Gallery "Looks Good on Paper" Atlanta, GA  
ARC Gallery "Re-Assignments: Creative Changes" Chicago, IL  
Susan Woodson Gallery Chicago, IL  
Swan Coach House Gallery "Constructed Images: The Art of Collage" Atlanta, GA  
City of Atlanta Dept. of Cultural Affairs "2007 Pinup Show" Curated by Freddie Styles Atlanta, GA  
City of Evanston Noyes Cultural Art Ctr. "Personal Journeys" Evanston, IL  
4Art Gallery Inc "Phase III" Chicago, IL  
Museum of Science and Industry "Black Creativity" Chicago, IL  
ArtJaz Gallery Philadelphia, PA

### **2006**

Southside Community Art Center "A.Q: After Qualls" Chicago, IL  
Museum of Science and Industry "Black Creativity" Chicago, IL  
Gallery Guichard "Art di Gras" Chicago, IL  
ArtJaz Gallery Philadelphia, PA

**2005**

Orleans Street Gallery "African American: Contemporary Conceptions" St. Charles, IL  
Gallery Guichard "Unveiled" Chicago, IL  
Gallery Romain "Color Me Black and White" Chicago, IL  
South Shore Cultural Center Chicago, IL  
Southside Community Art Center "Reconnect" Chicago, IL  
Upstream People Gallery Omaha, NE  
Open Door Gallery Chicago, IL  
ArtJaz Gallery Philadelphia, PA  
Museum of Science and Industry "Black Creativity" Chicago, IL  
Fourth Presbyterian Gallery "Hot Images for Cold Times" Curated by Joyce Owens Chicago, IL  
Susan Woodson Gallery Chicago, IL

**2004**

CAC Chicago Art Open 2004 at the Vietnam Museum Chicago, IL  
South Shore Cultural Ctr. "Daniel T. Parker Collection" Chicago, IL  
Susan Woodson Gallery Chicago, IL  
Romain Gallery Chicago, IL  
Del Gallery Detroit, MI

**2003**

Galleria Samuel Menache Mexico City, Mexico  
Gallery 415 "Blues, Jazz, Dance...That's Chicago" Curated by Ed Paschke Chicago, IL  
South Shore Cultural Center "23rd Jazz Fest" Chicago, IL  
Tall Grass Fine Arts Gallery Park Forest, IL  
South Shore Cultural Center "Cultural Journeys" Chicago, IL

**Awards****2009**

Museum of Science and Industry "Black Creativity" Best in Show

**2008**

Forward Arts Foundation Emerging Artist Award  
Diasporal Rhythms Artist Recognition Award  
Hambidge Fellow

**Commissions**

City of Chicago Percent for the Arts