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While previewing his new exhibition in his studio in downtown Manhattan, it occurred to me that the central drama of Vincent Arcilesi's artistic mission is the heroic reconfiguration of a unified world vision first fragmented by the guerilla bomb of Cubism. Toward this end, Arcilesi mingles modern life with myth, transforming beautiful young women of our own century into angels and goddesses strolling nude or nearly so among the clothed tourists in public plazas or pastoral landscapes in a

manner that calls to mind my wife Jeannie McCormack's one word concrete poem "Returnity."

So rarely do Arcilesi's comely figures appear fully clothed that when they do one is reminded of some now lost lines by Richard Brautigan to the effect that watching a woman get dressed can be the tantalizing opposite of a striptease, as parts of her disappear under the garments she puts on.

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## Artist Bio

### SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2017 ARCILESI | HOMBERG FINE ART, Vincent Arcilesi, Retrospective, Highlife Loft, NYC 2015  
ARCILESI | HOMBERG FINE ART, NYC ("Central Park, Athens, Santorini & Naples")  
2013 ARCILESI | HOMBERG FINE ART, Brooklyn, NY ("Arcilesi in Rome II")  
2010 Broome Street Gallery, NYC ("Arcilesi in Rome")  
2008 Broome Street Gallery, NYC ("Arcilesi in Mexico")  
2006 2/20 Gallery, NYC ("Arcilesi Around the World, Part II: Landscape Survey 1966-2006")  
2005 Broome Street Gallery, NYC ("Arcilesi in Russia")

### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2016 AHA FINE ART, "Music in the Air," Vincent Arcilesi & India Evans, N.Y.C.  
2015 AHA FINE ART, "Musing", "Vincent Arcilesi and Katelyn Alain", NYC  
2015 "New Views," Art & Design Faculty Exhibition, New York  
2014 The Fountain Art Fair, New York, AHA Arcilesi | Homberg Fine Art  
2013 "Scope Art Fair," Arcilesi | Homberg Fine Art, NYC  
2013 "The Fountain Art Fair," Arcilesi | Homberg Fine Art, also in 2012, & 2011, NYC  
2012 "The Fountain Art Fair," Arcilesi | Homberg Fine Art, also in 2011, & 2010, Miami  
2012 "Fine Arts Faculty of Fit," Albany State Museum, Albany, NY  
2011 The Fountain Art Fair, New York, AHA Arcilesi | Homberg Fine Art  
2009 "Erotic Art or Pornography," School of Visual Arts (SVA), Panel Participant, NYC  
2008 "People," Jim Kempner Fine Art, NYC  
2006 "Watercurrents 2006: The Figure," Lori Bookstein Fine Art, NYC  
2006 Whitney Biennial, Mark di Suvero's "Peace Tower," Whitney Museum of American Art

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS & REVIEWS

American Realism, Edward Lucie-Smith, Harry N. Abrams, NYC, 1994, photos  
Spirit of Place, Contemporary Landscape Painting & The American Tradition, John Arthur, Bullfinch Press, Little Brown & Co., 1989, photo  
American Artist, "Vincent Arcilesi," Pat Van Gelder, September 1983, cover and photos  
Contemporary American Realism Since 1960, Frank M. Goodyear, Jr., New York Graphic Society, 1981, photo  
Art in America, "Painting America First," Robert Rosenblum, January/February 1976, photos

### AWARDS

Sabbatical Grant, FIT, NYC, Travel, study, painting in Rome, 2009  
Sabbatical Grant, FIT, NYC, Travel, study, painting in Morocco, 2002  
National Endowment for the Arts, Visual Artists Fellowship Grant, 1982  
CAPS Fellowship 1981-82 (Creative Artist Public Service Program), NYC