

# Paws & Reflect: Art of Canines

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## Canidae

Canines are carnivorous mammals that include domestic dogs, wolves, wild dogs (e.g., the African wild dog or dingo), coyotes, foxes, and jackals. Together these animals constitute the family Canidae. A species within that family is called a “canid.” Dogs are distinguished from wild canines by their worldwide distribution in close association with humans and by their enormous genetic variability and physical variation. All *canids* possess similar potential for such genetic variability. However, human intervention has allowed this to be expressed to its fullest potential in dogs. Wolves were formerly the most widely distributed terrestrial mammal in the world. There are many wolf subspecies, the two main ones being the gray wolf (*Canis lupus*) and the red wolf (*Canis rufus*). Similar in appearance and sometimes called the prairie wolf, the coyote (*Canis latrans*) is considered by many experts a separate species altogether, even though coyotes, wolves, and dogs can all produce fertile offspring when crossed with each other. Foxes are found worldwide, except in Antarctica and the Australasian region. Most belong to the red fox group, though other species also exist as shown in this exhibition. These include the true foxes of the genus *Vulpes*, which are distributed throughout the Northern Hemisphere, as well several unrelated groups of small canines, including the American gray foxes. For further information, refer to the brochure which accompanies *Paws And Reflect: Art Of Canines*.



High Four (Great Dane)  
© 2004 Louise Peterson  
Bronze, 54 x 45 x 27 inches

## EXHIBITION ARTISTS

**Robert K. Abbett**  
Bridgewater, Connecticut

**Joy Kroeger Beckner**  
Chesterfield, Missouri

**Eric Berg**  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**Sally M. Berner**  
Green Bay, Wisconsin

**Carel P. Brest van Kempen**  
Salt Lake City, Utah

**Chapel**  
San Leandro, California

**Patricia Davis**  
Ignacio, Colorado

**Lindsey Foggett**  
Forest Falls, California

**Kathleen M. Friedenberg**  
Ardmore, Pennsylvania

**Peter Gray**  
Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

**Joyce Hall**  
Huger, South Carolina

**Eldridge Hardie**  
Denver, Colorado

**Janet N. Heaton**  
West Palm Beach, Florida

**Liz Lesperance**  
Sutter Creek, California

**Walter Matia**  
Dickerson, Maryland

**Dan Metz**  
Delano, Minnesota

**Rob Mullen**  
West Bolton, Vermont

**Louise Peterson**  
Guffey, Colorado

**Linda Relis**  
Port St. Lucie, Florida

**Maureen S. Riley**  
Lakeland, Michigan

**George Rodrigue**  
Lafayette, Louisiana

**Sueellen Ross**  
Seattle, Washington

**Sherry Salari Sander**  
Kalispell, Montana

**Tim Shinabarger**  
Billings, Montana

**Rachelle Siegrist**  
Townsend, Tennessee

**Wes Siegrist**  
Townsend, Tennessee

**Diane Versteeg**  
Palm Desert, California

**Paula G. Waterman**  
Eldersburg, Maryland

**Kay Williams**  
Dayton, Tennessee

**Nicholas Wilson**  
Tubac, Arizona

## TOUR ITINERARY

**May 6–June 15, 2007**  
Dunnegan Gallery of Art, Bolivar, Missouri, [dunnegangallery.com](http://dunnegangallery.com)

**July 14–October 14, 2007**  
The Wildlife Experience, Parker, Colorado, [thewildlifeexperience.org](http://thewildlifeexperience.org)

**Nov 24, 2007–Feb 29, 2008**  
Canton Museum of Art, Canton, Ohio, [cantonart.org](http://cantonart.org)

**June 1–July 20, 2008**  
Bergstrom–Mahler Art Museum, Neenah, Wisconsin, [paperweightmuseum.com](http://paperweightmuseum.com)

**September 2–November 2, 2008**  
The R.W. Norton Art Gallery, Shreveport, Louisiana, [rwnaf.org](http://rwnaf.org)

**November 15, 2008–January 15, 2009**  
The Museum of Western Art, Kerrville, Texas, [museumofwesternart.org](http://museumofwesternart.org)

**January 31–March 29, 2009**  
The Spartanburg County Museum of Art, Spartanburg, South Carolina, [spartanburgartmuseum.org](http://spartanburgartmuseum.org)

**April 26–June 14, 2009**  
New Visions Gallery, Marshfield, Wisconsin, [newvisionsgallery.org](http://newvisionsgallery.org)

## SPECIAL ENCORE VENUE

**January 15–March 15, 2010**  
Arizona–Sonora Desert Museum, Tucson, Arizona, [desertmuseum.org/arts](http://desertmuseum.org/arts)

*Paws And Reflect: Art Of Canines* is a traveling museum exhibition intended to recognize and promote excellence in art, and heighten public attention and awareness about the family Canidae. *Paws and Reflect: Art of Canines* is the sequel to *Feline Fine: Art of Cats*. Most of the artists of *Paws and Reflect: Art of Canines* are represented by several works in order to demonstrate their versatility and range of artistic treatment. Artists and artworks were chosen for their diverse subject matter and for their creative combinations of elements and principles of composition and design, extraordinary technique and resulting style.

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