

## ROBERT H. SPERRY

**BORN:** 1927, Bushnell, IL.

**DIED:** 1998 Seattle, WA.

### **EDUCATION**

1955 MFA, University of Washington, Seattle, WA.

1954 Archie Bray Foundation, Artist in Residence, Helena, MT.

1953 BFA, School of The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL.

1950 BA, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada

### **EXHIBITIONS, (selected)**

1999 "The Estate of Robert Sperry, Ceramics and Prints". Howard House, Seattle, WA.

1998 "Robert Sperry 1927-1998: New Prints", curated by Paul Berger;  
Bellevue Art Museum, Bellevue, WA. (catalogue)

"Ceramics & Prints", Howard House, Seattle, WA.

1994 "Robert Sperry", Bentley Gallery, Scottsdale, AZ. December

1993 "Robert Sperry-Ceramics", National Academy of Sciences, Washington DC.  
Joanne Rapp Gallery, Scottsdale, AZ. April.

1992 Schnieder Blume Loeb Gallery, Chicago, IL. September

1991 Helen Drutt Gallery, New York, NY. November

1989 Greg Kucera Gallery, Seattle, WA.

1987 Esther Saks Gallery, Chicago, IL.

1985 "Robert Sperry: A Retrospective", Bellevue Art Museum, Bellevue; Cheney Cowles Memorial  
Museum, Spokane, WA. curated by Matthew Kangas

### **PUBLIC COLLECTIONS (selected)**

American Craft Museum, New York City, NY.

Everson Museum, Syracuse, NY.

Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA. (#1081)

Mint Museum of Art, Charlotte, NC. (#435, #724)

National Museum of American Art, Smithsonian Institute; Renwick Collection:  
Washington DC. (#179, #753)

Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA.

Seoul Metropolitan Museum of Art, Seoul, Korea (#1047)

### **CORPORATE COLLECTIONS**

Chubb International Insurance Group, Wallen County, NJ.

Hewlett Packard

Hughes Aircraft Corporation

IBM Field Engineering Educational Center, Atlanta, GA.

Microsoft, Redmond, WA.

S.C. Johnson Collection, Racine, WI.

SAFECO Insurance Co., Seattle, WA.

Vulcan Enterprises, Seattle, WA. (#784, #862, #1015, A-3, Force #12A)

**PUBLICATIONS,(selected)**

- Bellevue Art Museum. "Robert Sperry 1927-1998:New Prints", 6 page Catalogue. Essay by Paul Berger. 1998.
- Perry, Barbara. "American Ceramics: The Collection of the Everson Museum of Art", Syracuse, NY. 1989.
- Bellevue Art Museum. "Robert Sperry: A Retrospective", Curated by Matthew Kangas. 40 page catalogue. 1985
- Erica William/Ann Johnson Gallery. "Robert Sperry/Recent Work", 20 page catalogue of exhibith. Essay by Matthew Kangas. 1981
- Harrington, LaMar. "Ceramics in the Pacific Northwest: A History", University of Washington Press. 1979.

**GRANTS and AWARDS, (selected)**

- 1963 Grant, Center for Asian Arts, University of Washington. Travelled to Japan to film documentary, "Village Potters of Onda"
- 1966 Grant, Japan Society, New York, to complete "Village Potters of Onda."
- 1983 Honors Program Award, King County Arts Commission, Seattle; Mural installed at King County Administration Building lobby,Seattle, WA.
- 1984 Gold Metal, International Academy of Ceramics
- 1991 Elected Member to American Craft Council of Fellows; New York City, NY.
- 1991 Personal papers collected by the Archives of American Art, Smithsonian Institution, Washington D.C.

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES,(selected)**

- 1982 University of Washington, Seattle,WA (Professor Emeritus)
- 1963 "Village Potters of Onda" Feature length documentary film, Produced by, Robert Sperry