People say that Borys Buriak presents Ukraine with the best colors.

He is probably more known abroad than in Ukraine. He is a member of the Senate of the Roman Academy of Contemporary Art, which include only four Ukrainian artists. His works are exhibited in the galleries in France, Belgium, Austria, Italy, and Germany. Even the Austrian Baroness Christine Schoenborn and English Lord Sir Andrew Fielding love his paintings.

Behind his back friends call Borys Buriak as Spinoza for his philosophical worldview. Such quality serves as a basis for the works of Buriak, it comes as the secret element, which captures the attention of the viewer from the first glance.

Borys Buriak works on each of his paintings for a couple of months. In this time the ambiguity and depth that are so common to his paintings are layered, while perfect, but at the same time complex symphony of colors is achieved. The planes unite into a whole, as in a kaleidoscope. Due to this visual effect the works of B. Buriak have that special magical appeal. The paintings are “revealed” in layers: a new glance – a new angle – a new facet of work. All works of the artist appeal to the eternity.

Borys Buriak is not only a painter, he is also a teacher. He gives private lessons of painting and drawing in Lviv. Buriak helps to reveal young talents, and to pass on the secrets of excellence to the succeeding generations.

**Biography**

Buriak was born on 25.10.1953 in the village Podvirne of Chernihiv region.

In 1974 he graduated from the College of Arts named after I.Trush.

In 1979 he graduated from the Lviv Academy of Arts. The same year he becomes the deputy director for teaching and education work of the College of Arts named after I.Trush and a teacher at the drawing department.

Starting from 1981 he has been working as a teacher of the department of painting at the Lviv State Institute of Applied and Decorative Arts.

In 1987 he became a member of the National Union of Artists of Ukraine, Lviv organization. The same year he starts to create his own works. Together with V.Yarych, P.Sypniak and V.Ropetsky he founded the “Club of the Ukrainian Artists”.

In 1989 he becomes a President of the “Club of the Ukrainian Artists”.

In 1991 he won the prize of the National Union of the Artists of Ukraine.

In 1992 he received a scholarship at the International competition “New Names” Moscow;

In 1996 he won the prize at the Republican exhibition “Art Club”, Khmelnytskyi.

In 2004 he received a title of the Honored Artist of Ukraine.

In 2009 he was accepted as a member of the Senate of the Roman Academy of Contemporary Art, Rome. Buriak lives and works in Lviv.

**Personal Exhibitions:**

1986 – Lviv, Ukraine.

1988 – Rzeszow, Poland.

1991 – New York, USA.

1993 – Vienna, Austria.

1994 – Metz, France.

1997 – Angers, France.

Vienna, Austria.

Duren, Germany.

1998 – Valkenburg, Netherlands.

Aachen, Germany.

Siegen, Germany.

Dortmund, Germany.

1999 – Dortmund, Germany.

2001 – Vienna, Austria.

2002 – Vienna, Austria.

2003 – Brussels, Belgium.

Vienna, Austria.

2004 – Brussels, Belgium.

2005 – Brussels, Belgium.

Kyiv, Ukraine.

2006 – Brussels, Belgium.

2007 – Brussels, Belgium.

Kyiv, Ukraine.

Bonn, Germany.

2008 – Brussels, Belgium.

Lviv, Ukraine.

2009 – Brussels, Belgium.

2013 – “Tenderness”, Mystetska Zbirka art gallery, Kyiv, Ukraine.

**Group Exhibitions:**

1980 – 2003 – Lviv, Ukraine.

1982 – 2003 – Kyiv, Ukraine.

1994 – Vienna, Austria.

Nilvange, France.

Ertsange.

Ceremange.

Prague, Czech.

1995 – Prague, Czech.

Munich, Germany.

Dortmund, Germany.

1996 – Prague, Czech.

Vienna, Austria.

Genk, Belgium.

Furth, Germany.

1997 – Anger, France.

Bad Kissingen, Germany.

1998 – Anger, France.

Limoges, France.

Briar, France.

Valkenburg, Netherlands.

Geneva, Switzerland.

2000 – Vienna, Austria.

Salzburg, Austria.

2001 – Lion, France.

Freiburg, Germany.

Duren, Germany.

2002 – Vienna, Austria.

Brussels, Belgium.

Freiburg, Germany.

Bern, Switzerland.

2003 – Duren, Germany.

Minsk, Belarus.

Brussels, Belgium.

Eindhoven, Netherlands.

2004 – Aachen, Germany.

Lviv, Ukraine.

Nimes, France.

Brussels, Belgium.

2005 – Lviv, Ukraine.

Brussels, Belgium.

Upeyeh

2006 – Brussels, Belgium.

Guebville, Germany.

Lviv, Ukraine.

2007 – Brussels, Belgium.

Lviv, Ukraine.

Afligem, Belgium.

2008 – Brussels, Belgium.

Kyiv, Ukraine.

Lviv, Ukraine.

2009 – Brussels, Belgium.

Lviv, Ukraine.

Kyiv, Ukraine.

2012 – “Winter-tide”, Mystetska Zbirka art gallery, Kyiv, Ukraine.

Lemish art gallery, Lviv, Ukraine.

2013 – Zelena Kanapa art gallery, Lviv, Ukraine.

“Summer Exposition”, Mystetska Zbirka art gallery, Kyiv, Ukraine.

“Eroticism”, Mystetska Zbirka art gallery, Kyiv, Ukraine.

“ART Games”, Mystetska Zbirka art gallery, Kyiv, Ukraine.

2013-2014 – “Winter Show” exhibition, Mystetska Zbirka art gallery, Kyiv, Ukraine.