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David Byrd: Paintings From Montrose VA Hospital War Is Always With Us

The Gallery

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DAVID BYRD: PAINTINGS FROM MONTROSE VA HOSPITAL, includes 26 paintings on loan from the David Byrd Estate in Sidney Center, New York. The exhibit is a joint project with the University of St. Catherine, St. Paul, MN, where it will be shown in November.

David Byrd (1926-2014) worked for 30 years at the Veterans Administration Medical Hospital in Montrose, NY, as an orderly working with doctors and nurses in care of psychiatric patients whose damage resulted from World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. Byrd's careful compositions reflect the isolation and desperation of mental illness, which few other artists have explored with such empathy and understanding.



