**Lucas James Xavier Kolasa**

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About the artist:

Lucas James Xavier Kolasa is an artist with the desire to make the world a better place through art. He even opened an art gallery to help with his mission. He has been accomplishing his goal by creating art, organizing events and donating proceeds to charities such as: the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition, Doctors Without Borders, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society etc. More recently, his focus turned toward children with Rare Diseases. Lucas has been so involved; he became the project director and curator for the foundation’s, Beyond the Diagnosis Art Exhibit. This project has been picked up Press from the Boston Globe, Providence Journal, STAT News, the Department of Energy and Commerce government website, USA Today, the Lancet and a number of other publications. In fact, CBS aired a special story, which featured Lucas’s work, his gallery and the exhibit. CBS Sunday Morning made this their cover story. The nationwide broadcast was viewed by 7+ million people. His years of hard work have not gone unnoticed. Lucas was honored with the, highly prestigious, Humanitarian and Artistic Achievement Award; from the Quinnipiac University of Medicine, in the February of 2017. Aside from this, over the past several years, Lucas has worked with Charlie Hall to teach over 300 paint events; to raise money for various charities in Mass., Conn., and RI. Every day, Lucas makes his mission statement (Making the world a better place through art) a reality.

EXHIBITS:

**Rochester Art Center with the Mayo Clinic and Smithsonian** (MN) 2018

**Newport Art Museum** (RI) 2002, 2003, 2005, 2017, 2018

**University of Texas** (TX) 2018

**Broad Institute** (Mass.) 2016, 2017, and 2018 (booked for 2019)

**Food and Drug Administration** (MD) 2017, 2018 (booked for 2019)

**Nemours** (Delaware) 2018 (booked for 2019)

**Children's of Alabama** (Al.) 2017, 2018 (booked for 2019)

**Quinnipiac University** (Ct.) 2017

**Novartis** (Mass) 2017

**Francesca Anderson Gallery** (Mass.) 2016, 2017

**Bryant University** (RI) 2017

**Fontainebleau Miami Beach** (Fl.) 2017

**Rare Disease Film Festival** (Mass.) 2017

**Feinstein Institute** (NY) 2016, 2017

**Children's of Texas** (Tx) 2017

**National Institute of Health** (MD) 2016, 2017

**Hofstra** (NY) 2016, 2017 (booked for autumn 2018)

*Exhibits Continued…*

**Harvard University** (Mass.) 2015

**Eunoia Gallery** (RI) 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018

**Brown University** (RI) 2015

**Forty 1° North** (RI) 2015

**Wickford Art Association** (RI) 2002, 2003, 2005, 2013, 2014, 2015

**Providence Art Club** (RI) 2013, 2014

**The Wynn** (NV) 2014

**University of Rhode Island** (RI) 2011, 2012

**Wickford Art Festival** (RI) circa 2010

**Music Is Art at Albright Knox** (NY) 2005

**WaterFire** –assisted in 130+ instillations to date (RI) 2003-present time

**Warwick Art Museum** (RI) 2002

**MGM GRAND** (Conn.) circa 2002

**PBS** (RI) circa 2000

**Regina A. Quick Center** (NY) 1995. 1996

**Albright Knox** (NY) 1992

Awards:

**Frank H. Netter MD School of Medicine**

Quinnipiac University

Humanitarian and Artistic Achievement Award

2017

**Wickford Art Association**

All media show

1st Place

Juror: Dennis Sirrine

April 10- May 3 2015

**Providence Art Club**

Marjory Curit Award for Best Contemporary Art

Exhibition and Awards Juror: Claudia Seymour - president of the Salmagundi Art Club

Nationwide All Media Exhibition

Maxwell Mays & Moite Galleries, April 21 - May 9, 2014

*Awards Continued…*

**Wickford Art Association**

Anything Goes Show

3rd place

Juror: Shawn Kenney

August 30 - Sept15 2013

**Wickford Art Association**

Avante Garde

Judge's Award

Juror: Richard Harrington

Juror's Statement:

LJXK; "Lizard Man"

October 3rd - 26. 2014

To view the gallery Lucas founded, and see examples of his work, please go to:

**www.EunoiaGallery.com**