

## Curtis E. James



## Biography

Curtis E. James originally from Albany, Georgia moved to New York in 1985 to attend Pratt Institute. There he received his BFA and MFA in Fine Art. He has garnered several honors and awards including:

- Pratt Institute \$50,000 scholarship
- Silver Plate Award from the U.S. House of Representatives
- Albany Museum Purchase Award (at age 18 & 19 the youngest in museum's history receive this award)
- Gold Key Award from Savannah College
- Merit Award from Atlanta College of Arts
- Outstanding Artist Award from the Georgia State Board of Education
- Honorable Mention from Strathmore Paper

Curtis has exhibited at the Historical Museum of Alabama; Albany Museum of Art in Georgia; Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture; Cathedral of St. John the Divine; Siena College in New York; The New York Black Fine Art Show and The Chicago Black Fine Art Show (hosted by Oprah Winfrey). Mr. James works provides an ambiance on the walls of The Shark Bar Restaurant in New York City and Atlanta.

His media credits include E Entertainment TV, the Source Magazine TV Show, CNN, CBS, WNYW and various local cable television stations in New York and Georgia; WJIZ Radio, Albany, Georgia; and Showtime's Soul Food television series. Magazine credits include Essence, Upscale, People Magazine, Chain Leader, Images, Art Trend and Decor Magazine and Artistic Impressions Catalogue.

Curtis E. James works are collected by such notables as Susan Taylor, Holly Robinson-Peete, Kordell Stewart and Oliver Gibson of the Pittsburgh Steelers and Al Wash formerly of the Dallas Cowboys, just to name a few.