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WILLIAM BECKMAN (b. 1942)

<u>S.P. w/ I-P</u>, 2019 oil on panel 23 3/4 x 19 1/2 inches signed and dated verso "William Beckman / 2019" inscribed verso "SP w/ I-P Post Cataract"



Provenance

The Artist

Exhibited

In Person: William Beckman | *Alan Magee* | *Alyssa* Monks, Forum Gallery, New York, NY, November 27, 2020 - January 9, 2021

William Beckman: Five Decades of Self-Portraits, Forum Gallery, New York, NY, September 23 - November 6, 2021

William Beckman | *Gregory Gillespie*, Forum Gallery, New York, NY, November 16, 2023 – January 6, 2024

Literature

In Person: William Beckman | *Alan Magee* | *Alyssa* Monks, Forum Gallery, New York, NY, cover and p. 8, Illustrated.

Ebony, David. "William Beckman and the Art of Self-Reflection," *William Beckman: Five Decades of Self Portraits*, Forum Gallery, New York, NY, 2021, p. 25, Illustrated.



Note

"It is not mere coincidence that Beckman is renowned for his paintings of places and faces. Born and raised in rural Minnesota..., the heartland of the nation – America's Midwest – is engrained in his psyche as well as his artistic vision. Beckman's portraits are intimate and personal yet they exude a similar sense of monumentality, and, perhaps, a bid for immortality."

David Ebony

Catalogue essay, William Beckman and the Art of Self-Reflection, written on the occasion of William Beckman: Five Decades of Self-Portraits presented by Forum Gallery, New York, 2021

"It's hard for me to imagine art without our own image. Whether it is human or animal, the individual is what draws us in, what makes us want to see more. My inspiration comes from the earliest cave painting to the present-day digital images of ourselves."

William Beckman

Interview by Tom Butler, former Director of The Columbus Museum, GA, on the occasion of *William Beckman: Drawings*, 1967-2013, traveled to Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts in Little Rock, 2014.