

# ***Will Hanlon***



## **Biography**

**Will Hanlon is originally from Lincoln, Nebraska where he developed skills in Art, Music, Theater and Business throughout school. During a professional business career, he became an emerging artist embracing Push Pins as a material for wall mounted forms employing abstract pointillism. He now resides in Peekskill, NY in a studio gallery and has shown at various venues and private collections.**

## **Artist Statement**

**I strive to have a balance in my life. In my Art, I use push pins and other materials to create works. I start with a visual framework – a sense of order. Then chaos is introduced, either in balance or heavier to one side or the other. Each piece results in the visual duality between. It is a balance on a spectrum, much as it is in our own lives.**

## **Inspiration**

**What started out as Christmas project with my child – cover a Pokemon poster with map pins – became an obsession with pointillism and “found objects.” I discovered that each push pin can be a point of color and a 3-D element of texture, as well as anchors for other materials such as hair ties, stems, wires, paper clips and even ping pong balls. I start each piece inspired sometimes by the materials, sometimes with an image from daily life, re-created with abstraction. It takes weeks to create the final work, and always along the way there is some introduction of Chaos to the Order intended. I embrace this. I look to create the tension of chaos, as well as the comfort of order in every piece.**

### **Exhibits and Placement:**

Tappan Z Art Gallery, Tarrytown, New York  
Becton Dickinson & Company, Franklin Lakes, NJ  
The Center for Discovery, Harris, New York  
Art Ascent, Selected Emergence Artist, 2013  
ARC of Westchester, NY  
Peekskill Arts Alliance, “Convergences” , 2018  
Peekskill Open Studios, June 2018, 2019  
Riverfront Gallery, Yonkers, NY, 2018, 2019, 2021  
Evolution Gallery, Peekskill, NY, 2018  
Field Gallery, Peekskill, NY, 2018  
Peekskill Arts Alliance, “Artists Respond to the Pandemic”, 2020  
Peekskill Arts Alliance, “A New Year-A New Beginning”. 2020  
Bean Runner Gallery, Peekskill, NY, 2020  
Garrison Art Center, Garrison, NY, 2020  
Tompkins Corners Cultural Center, Putnam Valley, NY, 2021  
WCC PAA Peekskill, NY, “Re-emergence”, 2021  
Garrison Art Center, Garrison, NY, “ArtQuake”, 2021  
Putnam Arts Council, Mahopac, Ny, “Grass+Roots”, 2021  
Hendrick Hudson Library Gallery, Montrose, NY, Solo show, 2022