

## Mary Porterfield

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**Education:** 2002 MFA, Arizona State University; Tempe, AZ.  
1993 MS, Occupational Therapy, Washington University, St. Louis, MO.  
1992 BS, Biology, Doane College, Crete, NE.

### One and Two Person Exhibitions

- 2022 Solo Virtual Exhibition, Phoenix Institute of Contemporary Art, Phoenix, AZ.
- 2019 Solo Exhibition, Hofheimer Gallery, Chicago, IL.
- 2019 Solo Exhibition, Elmhurst College, Elmhurst, IL.
- 2018 Solo Exhibition, Indiana University-Northwest, Gary, IN.
- 2017 Two Person Show with Kathy Weaver, Firecat Projects, Chicago, IL.
- 2015 Solo Exhibition, Great River Road Museum of Contemporary Art, Potosi, WI.
- 2015 Solo Exhibition, Packer-Schopf Gallery, Chicago, IL.
- 2014 Two Person Show with Orlando Boffill, Becky Art Space, Jeon Ju, South Korea.
- 2012 Two Person Show with Nina Weiss, Koehnline Museum, Des Plaines, IL.
- 2011 Solo Exhibition, Packer-Schopf Gallery, Chicago, IL.
- 2011 Solo Exhibition, University of Illinois, Illini Union Art Gallery, Urbana, IL.
- 2010 Two Person Show with Oscar Martinez, University of Wisconsin-Parkside, Kenosha, WI.
- 2009 Two Person Show with Frank Bell, Noyes Cultural Center, Evanston, IL.
- 2008 Solo Exhibition, St. Xavier University, Chicago, IL.
- 2007 Solo Exhibition, Gallery 180, Illinois Institute of Art, Chicago, IL.
- 2006 Solo Exhibition, Moraine Valley Community College, Palos Hills, IL.
- 2005 Solo Exhibition, Illinois Central College, Peoria, IL.
- 2004 Solo Exhibition, West Valley Art Museum, Surprise, AZ.
- 2004 Two Person Show with Joe Ray, Grand Canyon State University, Phoenix, AZ.
- 2002 Solo Exhibition, Harry Wood Gallery, Tempe, AZ.
- 1999 Two Person Show with Carol Sue Horstman, Midtown Contemporary Arts Center, St. Louis, MO.

### Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2022 In Good Company, Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art, Scottsdale, AZ.
- 2022 Rock Island Art Guild Exhibition, Figge Art Museum, Davenport, Iowa.
- 2022 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Competition, Bridgeport Art Center, Chicago, IL (jurors: Elsa Munoz, Bana Kattan, William Amaya Torres)
- 2021 5<sup>th</sup> Annual National Juried Exhibition, Wausau Museum of Contemporary Art, Wausau, WI. (Juror: Peter Trippi)
- 2021 Cimarron National Works on Paper, Department of Art, Graphic Design and Art History, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK. (Juror: Larissa Goldston)
- 2021 Figures/Faces, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL. (Five Person Show with Jenie Gao, Charity Henderson, Nancy Rosen and Kateryna Tkachenko)
- 2021 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Drawing Discourse Exhibition, University of North Carolina, Asheville NC (Juror: Pamela Phatsimo Sunstrum)

2021 Decahedron (held virtually), Artistsonthelam.com. (Curated by Jenny Lam)

2020 Third Midwest Open, Womanmade Gallery, Chicago, IL (Juror: Mia Lopez, Assistant Curator at the DePaul Art Museum).

2019 Art on Paper, Weatherspoon Art Museum, Greensboro, NC (Curator: Elaine Gustafson)

2019 Dubuque Biennial, Dubuque Museum of Art, Dubuque, IA (Juror: Sarah Humphreville, Senior Curatorial Assistant at the Whitney Museum of American Art)

2019 Sub(urban), Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL. (Curator: Audrey Moyer)

2018 Evanston Biennial, Evanston, IL. (Jurors: Sergio Gomez, Aron Packer, Therese Quinn)

2018 Rockford Midwestern Biennial, Rockford Art Museum, Rockford, IL. (Juror: Aron Packer)

2018 Loved Ones, Bridgeport Art Center, Chicago, IL. (Curator: Lelde Kalmite)

2018 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Exhibition, Bridgeport Art Center, Chicago, IL.

2017 Front and Center, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL (Curator: Caroline Picard)

2017 Et Tu, Art Brute? Andrew Edlin Underground Space, New York, NY.

2017 Unpresidented: Chicago Edition, Hubbard Street Lofts, Chicago, IL.

2016 Waysides, Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan, WI.

2016 Detroit Biennale, Detroit Museum of New Art, Armada, MI.

2016 At River's Bend: Our Place on the Ohio, Evansville Art Museum, Evansville, IN.

2016 Landscape/Vision/Interpretation, Robert Morris University, Chicago, IL.

2016 South Shore Salon Show, South Shore Arts, Munster, IN (Juror: Carrie Johnson, Curator, Rockford Art Museum)

2016 Rosie the Riveter, Koehnline Museum of Art, Des Plaines, IL.

2016 Third Coast National, K Space Contemporary, Corpus Christi, TX. (Juror: Sharon Kopriva).

2015 As They Like It, Dan Addington Gallery, Chicago, IL. (traveling exhibition to Elmhurst Art Museum, Carthage College, Bowling Green State University and the Beverly Arts Center)

2014 Gongju International Art Exhibition, Lim Lip Museum, Gongju-si, Chungnam, Korea.

2013 Artists Respond to Genocide, Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art, Chicago, IL. (Curator: Stano Grezdo)

2013 In a Perfect World, Beverly Arts Center, Chicago, IL.

2012 Rockford Midwestern, Rockford Art Museum, Rockford, IL.

2012 Artist and Nature, Uptown Arts Center, Chicago, IL.

2012 Wipe Out, Peanut Gallery, Chicago, IL.

2010 Third Coast National, Kspace Contemporary, Corpus Christi, TX. (Juror: Trenton Doyle Hancock)

2010 Converging Trajectories, Modified Contemporary Arts Center, Phoenix, AZ. (Curator: Ted Decker)

2010/08 Packer-Schopf Gallery, Chicago, IL.

2009 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Beverly Art Competition, Beverly Arts Center, Chicago, IL.

2008 National Art Premiere, Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL.

2008 The Art of Real Estate," The Illinois Institute of Art, Chicago, IL.

2007 Contemporary Symbolism, Prairie State College, Chicago Heights, IL. (Juror: Lanny Silverman, Curator, Chicago Cultural Center)

2005/04/03 Aron Packer Gallery, Chicago, IL.

2004 Exhibition of Contemporary Forum Grant Winners, Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix, AZ.

2004 Pigment: Contemporary Painting Invitational National Group Exhibition, Bradley University, Peoria, IL.

2004/02/01 Combined Talents: Annual Florida National Competition, Florida State

- University Museum of Fine Arts, Tallahassee, FL.
- 2003 Eye Lounge: A Contemporary Art Space, Phoenix, AZ.
- 2003 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Artlink Juried Exhibition, Sixth Street Studios, Phoenix, AZ (Juror: Brady Roberts, Curator, Phoenix Art Museum).
- 2002 New Works in Paint: A National Juried Exhibition, Mesa Arts Center, Mesa, AZ.
- 2002 Visions International Competition, Art Center Waco, Waco, TX. (Juror: Peter Frank, Art critic and curator)
- 2002 Juror's Choice, Shemer Art Center, Phoenix, AZ.
- 2002 Draw the Line VII, Visual Arts Gallery, Phoenix, Arizona.
- 2001 45th Annual International Exhibition, San Diego Art Institute, San Diego, CA.
- 2000 RE/Surface, Marshall Arts Gallery, Scottsdale, AZ.
- 2000 Mayo Clinic, Scottsdale, Arizona. (Juror: Beverly Adams, Curator of the Phoenix Art Museum)
- 2000 Harry Wood Gallery at Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona. (Juror: Meg Linton, Director of the Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum).
- 1999 Northern National Juried Art Competition, Nicolet College, Rhinelander, Wisconsin.
- 1999 34th Open International Exhibition, Fine Arts Institute of the San Bernardino County Museum, Redlands, CA.
- 1997 Women's Caucus for Art National 25th Anniversary Exhibition, Artemisia Gallery, Chicago, IL. (Juror: Faith Ringgold).
- 1996 The Arts in Celebration Fifth Biennial Regional Juried Exhibition", SIU Museum, Carbondale, IL. (Juror: Elizabeth Millard, Director, St.Louis Forum for Contemporary Art).

### **Awards**

- 2021 Honorable Mention, 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Exhibition, Wausau Museum of Contemporary Art, Wausau, WI.
- 2020 Honorable Mention, Third Midwest Open, Womanmade Gallery, Chicago, IL.
- 2019 Museum Purchase Award, Art on Paper Exhibition, Weatherspoon Art Museum, Greensboro, NC.
- 2019 City of Chicago's Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events Grant (DCASE).
- 2018 Juror's Choice Award, Evanston Biennial, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL.
- 2018 Project Development Grant, Illinois Arts Council.
- 2018 Dean Alan Olson Purchase Award, Rockford Art Museum, Rockford, IL.
- 2017 Center Program for Professional Development, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL.
- 2017 Vermont Studio Center, Artist Residency, Johnson, VT.
- 2017 Vermont Studio Center Artist's Grant, Johnson, VT.
- 2016 Honorable Mention, Third Coast National, Kspace Contemporary, Corpus Christi, TX.
- 2016 Alexandra Gardner Riddle Memorial Award, Salon Show, South Shore Arts, Munster, IN.
- 2014 Residency, Coohaus Gallery, Chelsea, NY, NY
- 2014 Professional Development Grant, Illinois Artist Council
- 2011 Puffin Foundation Grant
- 2011 Project Development Grant, Illinois Arts Council.
- 2011/09 Ragdale Foundation Residency
- 2010 Best of Show, Third Coast National, Kspace Contemporary, Corpus Christi, TX.
- 2010/09/07 Community Arts Assistance Program Grant, Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs.
- 2010 Anderson Center Artist Residency, Red Wing, MN.

### **Awards continued:**

- 2009 Best of Show, Beverly Arts Center, Chicago, Il.
- 2008 Purchase Award, Illinois Institute of Art.
- 2003 Artists Materials Grant, Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix, AZ.
- 2002 Honorable Mention, Combined Talents: 17th Annual Florida National Competition, Florida State University Museum of Fine Arts, Tallahassee, FL.
- 2001 Grand Award, "45th Annual International Exhibition," San Diego Art Institute, San Diego, CA.
- 2001 Arizona State University Nominee for Dedalus Foundation Fellowship
- 1999 Graduate Tuition Scholarship, School of Art, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ.

### **Professional Experience**

- 2021 Guest lecturer on Aging/Caregiving with artist Ellen Holtzblatt and Curator Juelle Daley, in affiliation with the exhibition, Translucent Beauty and Other Guardians at the Chicago Artists Coalition.
- 2021 Participant in virtual artists talk, in affiliation with the exhibition Figures/Faces at the Evanston Art Center.
- 2019 Artist Talk, moderated by Chuck Gniech, at Hofheimer Gallery.
- 2017 Artist Talk with Kathy Weaver, Firecat Projects.
- 2005-present Northeastern Illinois University, Instructor
- 2004-2007 Harrington College of Design, Instructor
- 2003 Guest Lecturer, Slide Slam Series, Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art
- 2000-2002 Arizona State University, Instructor

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<http://voyagechicago.com/interview/meet-mary-porterfield-self-employed-mary-porterfield-artist-edgewater/>

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March 8, 2017. <http://oururbantimes.com/arts/proterfield-and-weaver-morality-tales-firecat-projects>

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2017. <http://chicago-woman.com/profiles/artist-week-mary-porterfield/>

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<http://blog.otherpeoplespixels.com/otherpeoplespixels-interviews-mary-porterfield>

Chris Miller. "Recommended: Mary Porterfield/Packer Schopf," Newcity, June 4, 2015, p. 22.

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