

**EDUCATION**

2009 MFA, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN  
2003 BFA, Magna Cum Laude, College of Visual Arts, St. Paul, MN

**SPECIALIZATIONS**

Drawing, Painting, Printmaking, Collage, Collaborative Public Art, Community-Based Service Learning, Curatorial Projects

**SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

**2025**

*Bearing Witness*, The Higgins Institute for the Arts and Humanities, Clark University

**2019**

*Deconstructed American*, Howard Yezerski Gallery, Boston, MA

*Nacirema*, List Art Center, Brown University, Providence, RI

**2017**

*The Soul of All Color*, E.M. Bannister Gallery, Rhode Island College, Providence, RI

**2015**

*...and other poems*, Yellow Peril Gallery, Providence, RI

**2014**

*Then & Now*, Mildred I. Washington Art Gallery, SUNY Dutchess Community College, Poughkeepsie, NY

**2012**

*Into the Black*, Air Sweet Air Gallery, St. Paul, MN

**2007**

*Visceral Response*, Boynton Health Center, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

*Organic Matters*, Harry M. Drake Gallery, St. Paul Academy, St. Paul, MN

**2006**

*Indigenous Immigrant*, Concordia University, St. Paul, MN

**GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

**2026**

(upcoming) *Borderlands: Soft Margins, Hard Truths*, Cummings Gallery, Connecticut College, New London, CT

**2025**

*Community & Connection*, Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in America, Brown University, Providence, RI

*Works in Progress*, Vermont Studio Center Gallery, Johnson, VT

*Thicket*, Overlap Gallery, Newport, RI

*Faculty Show*, CMACD Gallery, Clark University, Worcester, MA

**2024**

*Catch the Fire*, Massachusetts State House, Boston, MA

*A Name. A Voice. A Life. The Black Newporters of the 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> Centuries*, Newport Historical Society, Newport, RI

*Catch the Fire*, Krikorian Gallery, Worcester, MA

**2023**

*19 on Paper – 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibition*, Bristol Art Museum, Bristol, RI

*Undercurrents*, Gallery A3 – Amherst Art Alliance, Amherst, MA

*Book as Muse: Language & Image*, Jamestown Center for the Arts, Jamestown, RI

**2022**

*A World of Difference*, Montserrat College of Art, Beverly, MA

*Cultural Signs*, Sidney and Rosalie Rose Gallery, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA

**2021**

*Celebrating Visual Arts at Clark*, Schiltkamp Gallery, Clark University, Worcester, MA

**2020**

*Transcendent Futures*, Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in America (CSREA), Brown University, Providence, RI

*Bodies*, Schiltkamp Gallery, Clark University, Worcester, MA

*Signs of the Times*, Ceres Gallery, New York, NY

*Case Rising*, Jamestown Center for the Arts, Jamestown, RI

*Big Paintings*, Fine Arts Center, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI

**2019**

*Divine 2019: In Alliance with International Women's Day*, Skye Gallery, Providence, RI

*Patterns*, Krikorian Gallery, Worcester, MA

**2018**

*American | nacrimA*, Central Massachusetts Artists Initiative, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA

*Connections*, Grimshaw Gudewicz Gallery, Fall River, MA

*Organic to Geometric: Part 2*, Provincetown Art Association and Museum, Provincetown, MA

**2017**

*The Space Between Shadow and Light*, Gallery X, Truro Center for the Arts, Truro, MA

*Depth Perception*, Cape Cod Museum of Art, Dennis, MA

*Contemporary Directions: Niger to Afro Futurism*, Westfield State University, Westfield, MA

**2016**

*Remnants of Time*, Kobalt Gallery, Provincetown, MA

*Harmony*, Tianjin Art Museum, Tianjin, China

**2015**

*19 on Paper at the Spaulding Aldrich Heritage Gallery*, Whitinsville, MA

*Beyond Boundaries*, Teda Contemporary Art Museum, Tianjin, China

*Minimal/Maximal*, Truro Center for the Arts, Truro, MA

*Organic to Geometric: Investigations in Structure and Surface*, Heftler Gallery, Endicott College, Beverly, MA

## **2014**

*12<sup>th</sup> Annual Black Arts Exhibition*, Rhode Island Council of the Arts, Atrium Gallery, Providence, RI

*19 on Paper at The Hive*, Rodman Mill, North Kingstown, RI

*Swept Away: Translucence, Transparency, Transcendence*, Hunterdon Art Museum, Clinton, NJ

## **2013**

*The Elephant in the Room*, Laconia Gallery, Boston, MA

*Encaustic Conference Presenters Exhibition*, Schoolhouse Gallery, Provincetown, MA

*Swept Away: Translucence, Transparency, Transcendence in Contemporary Encaustic*, Cape Cod Museum of Art, Dennis, MA

*1st Exposure Symposium*, Digital Exhibit, John D. O'Bryant African American Institute, Northeastern University, Boston, MA

*Form+Content+Context: 2013 Studio Art Faculty Exhibition*, Schiltkamp Gallery, Clark University, Worcester, MA

*Josephine Lutz Rollins Fellowship Exhibition*, Regis Center for Art, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

## **2012**

*Encaustic Works '12 Biennial*, R&F Gallery, Kingston NY

*Pollination: Beyond the Garden*, Art Current Gallery, Provincetown, MA

*Merge: Encaustic and Contemporary Prints Invitational*, Truro Center for the Arts, Truro, MA

*Encaustic Conference Presenters' Exhibition*, Schoolhouse Gallery, Provincetown, MA

*Monotype: On and Off the Wall*, Glassell Gallery, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA

## **2011**

*Pollination: Beyond the Garden*, Brush Gallery, Lowell, MA

*Shifting*, Hampden Gallery, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA

*In Context: Art of Here and Now*, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA

*Off The Wall*, Danforth Museum of Art, Framingham, MA

*Wax in Motion*, Bowersock Gallery, Provincetown, MA

*Sixth Annual Encaustic Invitational*, Conrad Wilde Gallery, Tucson, AZ

## **2010**

*All the Time in the World*, Clark University, Worcester, MA (two-person exhibition)

*Best Foot Forward*, Montserrat College of Art, Beverly, MA

*NEW*, Fairfield Arts Council Gallery, Fairfield, CT

## **2009**

*Open Door 5*, Rosalux Gallery, Minneapolis, MN

*Thesis*: Katherine Nash Gallery, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

## **2008**

*Fresh Works*, Regis Center for Art, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

*Women's Work*, Homewood Studio's Gallery, Minneapolis, MN

*Alumni Exhibition*, College of Visual Arts Gallery, St. Paul, MN

*Scholarship Exhibition*, Regis Center for Art, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

*Soul on Ice*, Soap Factory Gallery, Minneapolis, MN

## **2007**

*MFA Open Studio Exhibition*, Regis Center for Art, University of Minnesota

*Drawing and Painting*, Larson Art Gallery, Minneapolis, MN

*Fresh Works*, Regis Center for Art, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

## **2006**

*MFA Open Studio Exhibition*, Regis Center for Art, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

*Fresh Works*, Regis Center for Art, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

*Drawings and Encaustic Paintings*, 526 Gallery, St. Paul, MN

*Conversations: about roots*, Intermedia Arts, Minneapolis, MN

*St. Paul Art Crawl*, Open Studio Tour, St. Paul, MN

## **2005**

*Sense of Place*, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN

*Beyond Borders*, Offbeat Gallery, Minneapolis, MN

*St. Paul Art Crawl*, Open Studio Tour, St. Paul, MN

*Northern Lights*, Century College, White Bear Lake, MN

## **2004**

*Discovering Common Ground*, The Minneapolis Foundation, Minneapolis, MN

*St. Paul Art Crawl*, Open Studio Tour, St. Paul, MN

*Box Fresh*, Soap Factory Gallery — Mid-America CAA Conference, Minneapolis, MN

*Juried Printmaking Exhibition*, College of Visual Arts Gallery, St. Paul, MN

## **2003**

*UP — Graduation Exhibition*, College of Visual Arts Gallery, St. Paul, MN

*Artology*, AND Gallery, St. Paul, MN

## **1999**

*Flesh*, College of Visual Arts Gallery, St. Paul, MN

*Annual Studio Show*, Brown & Nystrom Studios, Minneapolis, MN

## **COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS**

### **2020-22**

*Us Them We* | *Race Ethnicity Identity*, Worcester MA. A curatorial collaboration with Worcester Art Museum Associate Curator of Prints, Drawings and Photographs, Nancy K. Burns, and studio art students at Clark University (on view at the Worcester Art Museum 2/19 – 6/19/2022)

**2017**

*Black Tears Community Drawing*, a campus drawing event in collaboration with the Racial Justice Teach-In commemoration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Clark University

**2015**

*Playing with Rules: Drawing on the Spirit of Sol LeWitt*, Worcester, MA. A wall drawing for the Higgins School of Humanities Spring 2015 Dialogue Symposium "The Work of Play" in collaboration with studio art students at Clark University

**2009-10**

*The Friendly House Inc. Mural*, Worcester, MA. A public service project created in collaboration with The Friendly House Inc. (an affiliate of the Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance) and studio art students at Clark University.

**2007-08**

*The East St. Paul Gateway Rain Garden*, St. Paul, MN. An environmental and public art project collaborative with the Lower Phalen Creek Project, East Side Community Design Center, Conservation Youth Corps, University of Minnesota Department of Art and the City of St. Paul Department of Parks and Recreation

*The Cedar-Riverside Arts Quarter Collaborative*, Minneapolis, MN. A community outreach pilot program with the Minneapolis Children's Home Society & Family Services Youth Program and the University of Minnesota Department of Art

**AWARDS / GRANTS / FELLOWSHIPS****2026**

Research Residency for Artists, Rhode Island School of Design (RISD) Museum, Providence, RI

**2025-26**

Faculty Development Grant, Clark University

**2025**

Residency, Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, VT

**2024-25**

Individual Research Grant, Higgins Institute for Arts and Humanities, Clark University

**2023**

Residency, JX Farms, Cleveland, MS

Practitioner Fellowship, Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in America (CSREA), Brown University, Providence, RI

**2020-21**

Individual Research Grant, Higgins School of the Humanities, Clark University

**2020**

Nominated for Outstanding Teacher of the Year by Clark University students

**2019**

Nominated for Outstanding Teacher of the Year by Clark University students

**2018**

Higgins Fellowship, Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University

Higgins Interdisciplinary Activity Mini Grant with Asst. Prof. Asha Best, Graduate School of Geography, Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University

**2016-17**

Individual Research Grant, Higgins School of the Humanities, Clark University

**2015-16**

Oliver and Dorothy Hayden Junior Faculty Fellowship, Clark University

**2014-15**

Individual Research Grant, Higgins School of the Humanities, Clark University

**2014**

Nominated for the International Encaustic Artists' (IEA) La Vendéenne Award in Artistry

Nominated for Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award by Clark University students

**2012-13**

Alice and Milton Higgins Faculty Fellow, Clark University

Individual Research Grant, Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University

**2011-12**

Individual Research Grant, Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University

**2010-11**

Edward Hodgkins Junior Faculty Award, Clark University

**2009-10**

Faculty Development Grant for Creative Endeavors, Clark University

Interdisciplinary Research Grant, Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University

Research Mini-Grant, Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University

**2008-09**

MFA Travel Support for CAA Conference Attendance, Department of Art, University of Minnesota – Los Angeles, CA

Zelda and Max Berman Graduate Fellowship Grant, University of Minnesota

Pioneer Scholarship Award, University of Minnesota

MFA Travel Support for Independent Research, Department of Art, University of Minnesota – New York, NY

**2006-07**

Jacob Lawrence & Gwendolyn Knight Scholarship Award, University of Minnesota

Josephine Lutz Rollins Scholarship Award, University of Minnesota

Graduate Fellowship Grant, Department of Art, University of Minnesota

Nominated for Diversity of Views and Experience Award (DOVE Fellowship) by University of Minnesota faculty

**2006**

First Place Award of Merit, 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Northern Lights Exhibition, White Bear Lake MN

**2003**

Co-Valedictorian, College of Visual Arts

**2002-03**

First Place, Outstanding Artistic Achievement, Lowell Bobleter Scholarship, College of Visual Arts

**ACADEMIC POSITIONS****2015-Present**

Associate Professor of Studio Art, Visual & Performing Arts Department, Clark University

**2015-24**

Director, Studio Art Program, Visual & Performing Arts Department, Clark University

**2009-2015**

Assistant Professor of Studio Art, Visual & Performing Arts Department, Clark University

**2012**

MFA Mentor: Fine Arts Work Center Summer Program, Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Boston, MA

**2007-09**

Graduate Student Instructor of Record (introductory drawing and painting courses), University of Minnesota

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE / SERVICE****2025-Present**

Member, Undergraduate Academic Board, (2025-28 term)

**2024-Present**

Associated Faculty, Low-Residency Master of Fine Arts in Visual Arts, School of Professional Studies (SPS), Clark University

**2017-Present**

Member, The Dark Room, an independent race and visual studies collaborative research cluster, Cambridge, MA

**2015-Present**

Steering Committee Member and Affiliate Faculty, Media, Culture & the Arts Program (MCA), Clark University

**2025**

Moderator, Dialogue with Present Tense Prize-winner Virginia Mahoney for the exhibition *Holding Thoughts*, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA

Juror, *I Declare*, Exhibition Selection Committee, Black Arts Collective of New England, Worcester, MA

Juror, *Present Tense Exhibition*, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA

Juror, Art in the Heart of Main South Sculpture Selection Committee, Worcester, MA

Chair, Studio Art Program Faculty Reappointment Committee, Department of Visual & Performing Arts

Faculty Advisor, Bickman Music & Arts Summer Internship

Participant, Admissions Open House: Destination Clark

Panelist, *What You Need To Know About Exhibition Proposals*, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA

Member, Educator Focus Group for the reinstallation and reinterpretation of the American galleries, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA

Participant, Best-In-Class Support for LGBTQIA+ Students, CETAL Office, Clark University

**2024**

Juror, *Rock, Paper, Scissors* Exhibition, Bristol Art Museum, Bristol, RI

Participant, Admissions Open House, Clark University

Critique Reviewer, Low-Residency Master of Fine Arts in Visual Arts, School of Professional Studies (SPS)

Member, Screen Studies Program Tenure and Promotion Committee, Department of Visual & Performing Arts

Coordinator, Annual Review of V&PA Department Chair

Site Visit Guide, CETAL Community Engaged Learning Summit

Juror, Art in the Heart of Main South Sculpture Selection Committee, Worcester, MA

Participant, Major Exploration Fair, Clark University

Panelist, *What You Need To Know About Exhibition Proposals*, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA

Member, Music Program Faculty Promotion Committee, Department of Visual & Performing Arts, Clark University

**2023-24**

Mentor for pre-tenure faculty member James Maurelle (V&PA), Clark University

**2023**

Preparator, Studio Art Program Self-Study for External Review, Department of Visual & Performing Arts, Clark University

Interview Moderator with filmmaker Isabel Miranda, International Conference of Hispanic Women Filmmakers, Clark University

Panel Participant, CETL Community Engaged Learning Across Disciplines Workshop, Clark University

**2022-23**

Juror, Mechanics Hall Portraiture Artists Selection Committee, Worcester, MA

Member, Studio Art Program Faculty Search Committee, Department of Visual & Performing Arts, Clark University

**2017-23**

Board Member, ArtsWorcester (Professional Development; Exhibition; and Diversity, Inclusion & Equity Committees) Worcester, MA

**2022**

Workshop Facilitator, *The Artist Statement: Writing with Clarity, Authenticity and Purpose*, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA (also in 2016, '17, '18, '19, '20)

Co-Chair, *Clark Projections*, Strategic Framework Task Force, Clark University

External Reviewer, Tenure and Promotion of Department of Art Faculty, Smith College, Northampton, MA

Participant, Identity, Student Engagement, and Access (ISEA) Connections Event, Clark University

Juror, Mechanics Hall Portraiture Artists Selection Committee, Worcester, MA

Featured Speaker, *A Celebration of Race & Identity in the Arts*, Clark Black Alumni Association, Clark University

Juror, *Present Tense Exhibition*, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA

Moderator, *Us Them* We Artist Panel Talk, Worcester Art Museum at Tuckerman Hall, Worcester, MA

Juror, John Paul Reardon Award, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA

Panelist, *What You Need To Know About Exhibition Proposals*, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA  
 Participant, Major Exploration Fair, Clark University  
 Exhibition Guide for Clark Administration Tour of *Us Them We | Race Ethnicity Identity*, Worcester Art Museum  
 Juror, *Materials Needs Exhibition Grant*, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA  
**2019-22**  
 Member, Committee on Personnel (2019-2022 term), Clark University  
**2017-22**  
 Collections Executive Committee Member, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA  
**2021**  
 Participant, Admissions Open House, Clark University  
**2020**  
 Juror, *Present Tense Exhibition*, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA  
 Speaker, Major Spotlight Video for the Studio Art Program, Admissions Office, Clark University  
 Webinar Discussant, *Why Make Art in an Unjust World?* Clark Together Summer Series, Clark University  
**2019-20**  
 Chair, Studio Art Faculty Search Committee, Clark University  
**2019**  
 Member, Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration Planning Committee, Clark University  
 Facilitator, Public Conversation with Tressie McMillan Cottom, Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University  
**2018-19**  
 Mentor for pre-tenure faculty member Florencia Sangermano (Geography), Clark University  
**2011-19**  
 Member, Advisory Committee, African American Intellectual Culture Series, Clark University  
**2018**  
 Faculty Fellow, Evidence Symposium, Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University  
 Juror, Drawing & Printmaking Fellowship Panel, Rhode Island State Council on the Arts, Providence, RI  
**2017-18**  
 Member and Diversity Advocate, Dean of the Faculty Search Committee, Clark University  
**2017**  
 Promotion Committee Member, Kristina Wilson, Department of Visual & Performing Arts, Clark University  
**2016**  
 Member and Diversity Advocate, Screen Studies Faculty Search Committee, Clark University  
 ACE Program Presenter — ALANA Student Orientation, Clark University  
 Juror, WCUW Mural, City of Worcester Public Art Working Group, Worcester, MA  
 Committee Member and Dialogue Panel Facilitator, "Race: A Campus Dialogue" Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University  
 Dialogue Forum Participant, Climate Change Teach-In, "Black Lives Matter on Earth", Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University  
 Panel Participant, New Faculty Orientation, Clark University  
**2012-2016**  
 Member, Difficult Dialogues Executive Committee, Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University  
**2013**  
 Juror, *Works on Paper/Works of Paper*, Aurora Gallery, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA  
**2012**  
 Event Organizer, "Voice to Vision" lecture and workshop in collaboration with Prof. David Feinberg, University of Minnesota, sponsored by Higgins School of Humanities and the Strassler Center for Holocaust & Genocide Studies, Clark University  
**2011-2015**  
 Director, Schiltkamp Gallery, Clark University  
 Curator, *Awkward Other Party*, two-person exhibition on trans-national relationships by Rita Elizalde Crocker and Leejin Kim (2015)  
 Curator, *MINE*, solo exhibition of new work on the African slave trade by Torkwase Dyson (2014)  
 Curator, *damaged. truncated. incomplete. continue?* Exhibition of glitch aesthetic prints by Hugh Manon (2014)  
 Curator, *Art After Clark: Studio Art Alumni Exhibition*, (2014)  
 Co-curator with Pamela Farrell, *CONstruct/conSTRUCT: The Organizing Principle*, group exhibition of collage and assemblage work (2013)  
 Co-curator with Sara Raffo, *Love Letters: The Intersection of Art & Design*, group exhibition of typographic artwork (2012)  
 Curator, *Voice to Vision*, visual narratives by Holocaust and genocide survivors (2012)  
 Curator, *Kindred Spirits*, group exhibition of encaustic artwork (2011)  
**2011-12**  
 Member, Advisory Group for the Mellon Foundation Humanities Initiative Grant, Clark University  
**2011**  
 Participant, "Telling Her Story", Dialogue with undergraduate Students, Office of Intercultural Affairs, Clark University  
 Participant, Admissions Open House for Admitted Students, Clark University  
 Panel Participant, "Educating for What?" Difficult Dialogues Symposium, Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University  
 Docent Trainer, Art In The Park, Worcester Arts Council, Worcester, MA  
**2010-11**  
 Member, College Board on Academic Integrity, Clark University  
**2010**  
 Event Organizer, "The Floor of the World" talk by Prof. Elaine Scarry, Harvard University, Higgins School of Humanities, Clark University

Event Organizer, "Day of Slowing" Visual Art Event in University Center, Higgins School of Humanities Participant, Clark University

Admissions Preview Day, Clark University

Participant, Admitted Student Academic Fair, Clark University

Participant, ACE Summer Institute Pre-Orientation Event, Clark University

Juror, John Paul Reardon Award, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA

## **2007**

Admissions Review Panelist, Perpich High School for the Arts, Golden Valley, MN

## **2003**

Admissions Representative, College of Visual Arts, St. Paul, MN

## **2000-01**

Gallery Committee Representative, College of Visual Arts, St. Paul, MN

## **LECTURES / PRESENTATIONS / ARTISTS TALKS**

### **2025**

*Bearing Witness* Gallery Conversation with Prof. Asha Best, Director of the Center for Gender, Race, and Area Studies, Higgins Institute for Arts and Humanities, Clark University

Artist Talk, *American Journey*, Upward Bound Summer Program, Clark University, Worcester, MA

Roundtable Discussant, *How Critical Race and Ethnic Studies Programs Can Thrive Despite the 2024 Election*, Solidarity and Speculative Futures Lunch Series, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA

### **2024**

Keynote Address, Practitioner Fellowship Capstone, Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in America (CSREA), Brown University, Providence, RI

Panelist Speaker, *Art and Creative Expression in Challenging Times*, Race, Social Justice, and Democracy Plenary, Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity, and Transnational Migration, Yale University, New Haven, CT

Guest Lecture, *Artist as Truth Seeker*, Social Psychology course, PSYC 246: Black Feminism as Praxis, Psychology Department, Clark University

Artist Talk, Group Exhibition, *Catch the Fire*, Krikorian Gallery, Worcester, MA

### **2023**

Conference Panel, *The Way Forward, Post Pandemic*, 16<sup>th</sup> International Encaustic Conference, Provincetown, MA

### **2022**

Conference Speaker, *Meeting the Moment: The Power of Abstraction to Address Social Change*, 15<sup>th</sup> International Encaustic Conference, Provincetown, MA

Artist Panel Talk, *Black Art and the Contours of Grief*, The Program in African American Studies, Dept. of Art History, Dept. of English and Creative Writing, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH

Keynote Address, Practitioner Fellowship Capstone, Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in America (CSREA), Brown University, Providence, RI

### **2021**

Roundtable Discussant, *The Future of Art and Artists in a Post-Covid World*, RISD Museum of Art on behalf of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Providence Gallery Night, online public programming, Providence, RI

Panel Moderator, *Black Art: Collecting and Being Collected*, Speakers Series Webinar, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA

Roundtable Discussant, *Black Elegies in Sight & Sound*, CARE Syllabus: A Research and Praxis Initiative of Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts in collaboration with MASS MoCA, North Adams, MA

Dialogue Moderator, *Artist to Artist: Past is Prologue*, Speakers Series Webinar, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA

### **2020**

Panel Moderator, *What Black Art Means To Me*, Speakers Series Webinar, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA

Visiting Artist Lecture, *Diversity, Inclusion & Equity in Exhibition Culture* for Senior Seminar, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA

Panel Speaker in conjunction with the exhibition *Case Rising*, Jamestown Art Association, Jamestown, RI

Artist Talk, *Evolving Perspective*, Worcester Art Museum, Central Massachusetts Artist Initiative, online video presentation, Worcester, MA

Artist Talk, Group Exhibition: *Big Paintings*, Fine Art Center, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI

### **2019**

Interview Facilitator: *An Evening with Tressie McMillan Cottom*, Clark University, Worcester, MA

Artist Talk, Group Exhibition: *Patterns*, Krikorian Gallery, Worcester, MA

### **2018**

Artist Talk, Group Exhibition: *Connections*, Grimshaw Gudewicz Gallery, Fall River, MA

Panel Speaker: *The Soul of All Color*, Sonic Scenes Symposium, The Dark Room: Race and Visual Culture Collaborative Research Cluster, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

### **2017**

Visiting Artist, Solo Exhibition: *The Soul of All Color*, E.M. Bannister Gallery, Rhode Island College, Providence, RI

Panel Speaker: *Saturday Afternoon Think Tank on Creative Teaching and Learning*, 11<sup>th</sup> International Encaustic Conference, Provincetown, MA

Panel Speaker: *Color in Black Visual Art and Culture*, In conjunction with the exhibition *Contemporary Directions: Niger to Afro Futurism*, Arno Maris Gallery, Westfield State University, Westfield, MA

### **2016**

Panel Speaker: *Standards and Practices in Teaching Encaustic: Demystifying Curriculum, Pedagogy and Critique*, 10<sup>th</sup> International Encaustic Conference, Provincetown, MA

### **2015**

Panel Speaker: *Raising the Bar: Standards and Practices in Teaching Encaustic*, 9<sup>th</sup> International Encaustic Conference, Provincetown, MA

Visiting Artist Talk: *Contemporary Encaustic: Tradition meets Innovation*, in conjunction with the exhibition *Organic to Geometric: Investigations in Structure and Surface*, Endicott College, Beverly, MA

## **2014**

Artist Talk with Wing Young Huie for his exhibition, *What do you see?*, Clark University, Worcester, MA

Panel Speaker: *Raising the Bar: Standards and Practices in Teaching Encaustic*, 8<sup>th</sup> International Encaustic Conference, Provincetown, MA

Artist Talk, Group Exhibition: *Swept Away: Translucence, Transparency, Transcendence*, Hunterdon Art Museum, Clinton, NJ

Visiting Artist, Solo Exhibition: *Then & Now*, SUNY Dutchess Community College, Poughkeepsie, NY

Artists' Talk with Hugh Manon for his exhibition, *damaged. truncated. incomplete. continue?* Clark University, Worcester, MA

## **2013**

Panel Speaker: *Raising the Bar: Standards and Practices in Teaching Encaustic*, 7<sup>th</sup> International Encaustic Conference, Provincetown, MA

## **2012**

Panel Speaker: *Creativity in Our Practice*, 6<sup>th</sup> International Encaustic Conference, Provincetown, MA

## **2011**

Invited Lecture: *The Art of Critique*, 5<sup>th</sup> International Encaustic Conference, Provincetown, MA

## **2010**

Artists' Talk, Two-person Exhibition with Cheryl Wilgren Clyne: *All the Time in the World*, Clark University, Worcester, MA

## **2008**

Guest Lecture, Seminar Course: *Women's Images & Images of Women*, University of Minnesota

## **2007**

Guest Lecture, Upper Division Studio Art Seminar, St. Paul Academy, St. Paul, MN

## **2006**

Guest Lecture, Studio Course: *Intermediate Painting*, University of Minnesota

Visiting Artist, Solo Exhibition: *Indigenous Immigrant*, Concordia University, St. Paul, MN

## **PRESS INTERVIEWS / ARTICLES**

### **2024**

"A Name, A Voice, A Life: A new database and exhibit at the Newport Historical Society explore local Black history from The 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> centuries", Helena Touhey for Newport Life Magazine, P 56-61, May/June, Newport, RI

"Artists 'Catch the Fire' at Black History Month exhibit at Worcester Crafts Center", Richard Duckett for Worcester Magazine Arts Section, Telegram & Gazette, [telegram.com](https://www.telegram.com), January 25, 2024, Worcester, MA

### **2023**

"The Shape of Language", Eleanor Rowe-Stefanik for Newport Life Magazine, exhibition review of *Book as Muse* exhibition at the Jamestown Art Center, [newportlifemagazine.com](https://newportlifemagazine.com), August 31, 2023, Newport, RI

"Painting history: Mechanics hall readies new portraits of four 19<sup>th</sup> century Black leaders" Nancy Sheehan for Worcester Magazine, Arts Section, [worcestermag.com](https://www.worcestermag.com), June 28, 2023, updated July 3, 2023, Worcester, MA

### **2022**

"Toby Sisson: The Political Potency of Graffiti" Michelle May for Juniper Rag Magazine, Vol. 3, P 66-67, [juniperrag.com](https://juniperrag.com), June 2022, Paxton and Newton, MA

"Many Layers to Uncover: WAM Invites Us to Explore the Plurality of Identity" Claudia Fiks for ArtScope Magazine, [artscopemagazine.com](https://artscopemagazine.com), 3 March, Boston, MA

"Asking the urgent questions in 'Us Them We' at Worcester Art Museum" Cate McQuaid for The Boston Globe, [bostonglobe.com](https://www.bostonglobe.com), 23 February, Boston, MA

"New exhibition at Worcester Art Museum highlights art and identity" Meghan Parsons for Spectrum News 1, [spectrumnews1.com](https://www.spectrumnews1.com), 18 February, Worcester, MA

"Contemporary artists explore identity in Worcester Art Museum's 'Us Them We'" Richard Duckett of Worcester Magazine, [worcestermag.com](https://www.worcestermag.com), 16 February, Worcester, MA

"Worcester museum's 'Us Them We' surveys political landscape" Auction Central News, [liveauctioneers.com](https://www.liveauctioneers.com), 1 February, New York, NY

### **2021**

"Collaboration explores identity through the lens of visual strategy" Exhibition Preview in Access Magazine, Fall/Winter 2021, P10, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA

"Rhody Maker" Interview with Amy Martin, Rhode Island Monthly, [rimonthly.com](https://www.rimonthly.com), 16 June, Providence, RI

### **2020**

"People & Places" R&F Handmade Paints Art Blog, 24 August, Kingston, NY

### **2019**

"inquiry" WICN Radio Broadcast, Interview with host Mark Lynch, October 27, Worcester, MA

"The Ticket: What's Happening in the Local Art World" feature by Cate McQuaid, [bostonglobe.com](https://www.bostonglobe.com), Boston Globe News Online, 20 October, Boston, MA

### **2018**

"Making a Connection at BCC's Gallery" review by Linda Murphy, [heraldnews.com](https://www.heraldnews.com), Fall River Herald News online, 29 August, Fall River, MA

### **2017**

"The Soul of All Color" essay by Kimberly Juanita Brown, [ric.edu](https://ric.edu), Rhode Island College, Bannister Gallery webpage, 9 November, Providence, RI

"An Aggregate of Forces: 60 Women Artists Over 60" Joanne Mattera Art Blog, 2 August, New York, NY

"Exploring The Gray Area" article by Nathan Frontiero, [TheTakeMagazine.com](https://www.TheTakeMagazine.com), 24 April, Northampton, MA

"Art/Community/Education: The Art of Teaching", article by Milisa Galazzi, [ProWaxJournal.com](https://www.ProWaxJournal.com), issue 16: April-June

"Artists to Watch in 2017", article by John Arvanitis, [TheTakeMagazine.com](https://www.TheTakeMagazine.com), 6 February, Northampton, MA

## 2015

"Toby Sisson: ...and other poems", Joanne Mattera Art Blog, 24 May, New York, NY

## 2014

"The Beauty and Ambiguity of Toby Sisson's Black-and-White Art", essay by Lynn Woods, Poughkeepsie, NY

"What Inspires Me", *Poughkeepsie Journal*, Feature Article, 21 February, p5E, Poughkeepsie, NY

"Then & Now", *Daily Freeman.com*, Art Beat Preview, 20 February, Kingston, NY

## 2012

"Into The Black", Exhibition Review by Susannah Schouweiler, *KnightArts.Org*, 30 July, St. Paul, MN

"Into The Black", *City Pages*, "A" List Preview, 12-18 July, p29+31, Mpls./St. Paul, MN

"Invited Artist Interview", *Lynette Haggard Art Blog*, 29 January, Framingham, MA

## 2011

"Shifting", Exhibition Review by Tony Maroulis, *Artscope Magazine*, November-December, p34-35, Boston, MA

"Pollination: Beyond the Garden", Exhibition Review by James Dymont, *Artscope Magazine*, November-December, p32, Boston, MA

"Layers of Luminosity", *Worcester Magazine*, 13-19 Oct., p24, Worcester, MA

"Waxing Poetic", Exhibition Announcement, *Preview Massachusetts*, October, p11-13, Northampton, MA

"Notes From Land's End", *Provincetown.com*, 6 June, Featured Artist/Speaker from the 5<sup>th</sup> International Encaustic Conference, Provincetown, MA

"Alumni Profile", Featured 2003 Graduate of College of Visual Arts, *CVA.edu* St. Paul MN

"January Artist of the Month", Interview with Laura Moriarty, R&F Online Gallery, Kingston NY

## 2009

"Inquiry", Interview with Mark Lynch, *WICN* Radio Broadcast, Worcester, MA, Sept.

"From Barroom to Classroom", Interview with Danielle M. Williamson, *Telegram & Gazette*, 20 Sept.: B1, Worcester, MA

"Visual Thesis", Interview for MFA Exhibition Opening with Matt Peiken, Producer, *3-Minute Egg Art Videos*, Minneapolis, MN

## 2006

"Artistic Mixology", *St. Paul Pioneer Press*, 20 Apr.: G8, St. Paul, MN

## 2005

"Beneath the Surface", *The Aquin*, Vol.LXXXX.2., Sept. p6, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN

"The Relationship Between Grief and Celebration", illustration, *Reflections: Artists and Writers Journal*, Vol. 1, p3, Hibbing, MN

## 2004

"Solstice River VIII", Sound Collage, *KBEM* Radio Broadcast, Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN

## EXHIBITION CATALOGUES / PUBLICATIONS / ILLUSTRATIONS

### 2025

*Black Elegies*, Kimberly Juanita Brown, in-text illustration, description and analysis, p27-30 + 44 – "Black Tears", 2015, MIT Press, Cambridge, MA

### 2023

*Hindsight*, Online Journal of Art, Culture & Ideas, February 17 Stories section, Providence Arts & Letters published by Providence College Galleries, Providence, RI

### 2022

*Us Them We | Race Ethnicity Identity*, exhibition booklet, co-curators' interview, p2-5, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA

*The Understanding of All Things*, Kate Soper featuring Sam Pluta, album cover illustration – "River Stories", 2007, New Focus Recordings, Northampton, MA

### 2021

*In Search of the Reclining Buddha*, Sarah Buie, poetry collection, cover illustration – "The Darkest Hour", 2014, small edition press, Worthington, MA

### 2020

"American|naciremA 1", Illustration, *Access Magazine*, Fall/Winter 2020, p5, Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA

Signs of the Times: Ceres National Juried Exhibition, Exhibition Catalogue, p15, Ceres Gallery, New York, NY

### 2017

The Space Between Shadow and Light, Exhibition Catalogue, p24-29, Gallery X, Truro Center for the Arts, Truro, MA

Depth Perception, Exhibition Catalogue, p15, 48-49, Cape Cod Museum of Art, Dennis MA

Contemporary Directions: Niger to Afro Futurism, Exhibition Catalogue, p10-27, Arno Maris Gallery, Westfield State University, Westfield, MA

### 2016

Encaustic Art in the Twenty-First Century, Anne Lee & Ashley Rooney, P6, 58-59, 298, Schiffer Publishing, Atglen, PA

Harmony, Exhibition Catalogue, p109-111, Tianjin Academy of Fine Arts and Tianjin Art Museum, Tianjin, China

### 2015

Beyond Boundaries, Exhibition Catalogue, p68-71, Teda Contemporary Art Museum, Tianjin, China

Contradictions" essay by Joanne Mattera, Endicott College, Beverly, MA "Fluidity" Featured Artwork, *ProWaxJournal.com*,

Issue 8: January-March

### 2014

Swept Away: Translucence, Transparency, Transcendence in Contemporary Encaustic, Exhibition Catalogue, p36, with "Extravagant Light" essay by Joanne Mattera, Hunterdon Museum of Art, Clinton, NJ

"Structure" Featured Artwork, *ProWaxJournal.com*, Issue 4: March/April

### 2013

*Studio Visit Magazine*, A juried selection of international visual artists, Volume 23, p173, Boston, MA,

Juror: Barbara O'Brien, Executive Director, Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, Kansas City, MO

Swept Away: Translucence, Transparency, Transcendence in Contemporary Encaustic, Exhibition Catalogue, p24, with "Extravagant Light" essay by Joanne Mattera, Cape Cod Museum of Art, Dennis, MA



The Elephant in the Room, Exhibition Catalogue, p36-37, Laconia Gallery, Boston MA

**2012**

Encaustic Works '12, A Biennial Exhibition in Print, R&F Gallery, p74-75, Kingston NY

**2011**

Off the Wall, Digital Exhibition Catalogue, p44, Danforth Museum of Art, Framingham, MA

6<sup>th</sup> Annual Encaustic Invitational, Exhibition Catalogue, p40-41, Conrad Wilde Gallery, Tucson AZ

**2009**

MFA Thesis Exhibition Catalogue, spring 2009, p38-39. University of Minnesota, Department of Art

**COLLECTIONS / PERMANENT INSTALLATIONS**

Newport Historical Society, Newport, RI

Chisholm, Chisholm & Kilpatrick LTD, Providence, RI

Brown University, Providence, RI

Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA

College of Visual Arts, St. Paul, MN

East St. Paul Gateway Park, St. Paul, MN (collaborative project)

Progroup: Diversity Consulting, Minneapolis, MN

Regions Hospital Medical Library, St. Paul, MN

University of St. Thomas, Department of Professional Psychology, St. Paul, MN

Numerous private collections

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS / AFFILIATIONS**

Black Arts Collective of New England (Member, 2025-present)

American Association of University Professors (AAUP) (2024-present)

Kappa Pi Honors Society (Faculty Member, 2023 – present)

Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA (Member, 2009-present; Collections Executive Committee, 2017-2022; Corporator, 2010-2015 and 2015-2020 terms;)

The Dark Room: Race and Visual Culture Collaborative Research Cluster, Cambridge, MA (Member, 2017-present)

ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA (Member, 2009-present; Board Member, 2017-2023, Advisory Committee Member, 2023-present)

College Art Association, New York, NY (Member, 2008-present)

19 on Paper, Providence, RI (Member, an organization of New England artists working on or with paper, 2014-2016)

New England Wax, Greater Boston Area, MA (Member, an organization of New England artists working in encaustic, 2010-2012)

**GALLERY REPRESENTATION**

Anderson Yezerski Gallery, Boston, MA

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