

**CHUKES**  
**CV**  
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**EDUCATION:**

MFA, Sculpture, Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, CA, 2005  
BFA, Sculpture and Ceramics with High Distinction Honors, California College of Arts and Crafts, Oakland, CA, 1997  
San Jose State University, San Jose, CA, 1982-84  
San Jose City College, San Jose, CA, 1980-82

**UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS:**

**2023**

*To Be Held*, Carl Freedman Gallery, curated by Ronan Mckenzie, Margate Kent, UK  
Matter Gallery, curated by Karla Funderburk, Los Angeles, CA

**SOLO EXHIBITIONS:**

**2010-current**

*The Conductor*, Watts Towers Arts Center, Los Angeles CA  
*Supergroovalistic The Funk*, Peter Ellipse Balcony Gallery, California State University, Fresno, CA  
*Identity Theft*, Hearne Fine Art, Little Rock, AR  
*Identity Theft*, The Creative House, Inglewood, CA  
*Identity Theft*, Joyce Gordon Gallery, Oakland, CA  
*Identity Theft*, Claremont Graduate University, Claremont CA  
*Identity Theft*, Alkebulan Cultural Arts Center, Pasadena, CA  
*The Journey Continues*, San Jose City College, San Jose, CA  
Black Heritage Gallery, Houston, TX  
*Fired Rhythm*, Hearne Fine Art, Little Rock, AR  
*Cross Roads*, Joyce Gordon Gallery, Oakland, CA

**2000-2009**

*The Journey*, The Gallery, San Jose City College, San Jose, CA  
*My Legacy, A Survey of Chukes' Work*, Sargent Johnson Gallery, African American Art & Culture Complex, San Francisco, CA  
Joyce Gordon Gallery, Oakland, CA  
Thomas and Hall Fine Art Gallery, Dallas, TX  
Presentation of Tree of Life sculpture to Archbishop Desmond Tutu, *The President's Distinguished Lecture Series*, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA  
Pasadena Public Library, Pasadena, CA  
Hearne Fine Art, Little Rock, AR  
Thomas and Hall Fine Art Gallery, Dallas, TX  
LeFlorence Fine Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
FDG Zimart Galleria, Los Angeles, CA  
South Dallas Cultural Center, Dallas, TX  
Cunningham Gallery of Fine Art, Santa Ana, CA

**1983-1999**

Leimert Park Fine Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Umoja Fine Arts, Southfield, MI  
Leimert Park Fine Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
Leimert Park Fine Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

Carson Fine Art Gallery, Carmel, CA  
San Jose City College, San Jose, CA  
Urban League Art Exhibition, San Jose, CA

## **GROUP EXHIBITIONS:**

### **2010-2023**

Dr. Daniel Laroche, Egyptian art collection, African American Museum of Nassau County, NY  
Hearne Fine Art collection, Baum Gallery, University of Central Arkansas, AR  
Kinsey Collection, Pepperdine University, Fedrick R. Weisman Museum, Malibu, CA  
*Products of Empire*, Art Share L.A. Los Angeles, CA  
*The INNOVATE Exhibit*, curated by Indira Cesarine, The Untitled Space, New York, 2021  
*Ubuntu*, Hearne Fine Art, Little Rock, AR  
*Veneer*, Launch LA, Los Angeles CA  
*Identity Theft*, The Creative House, Inglewood, CA  
LA Art Show, Los Angeles, CA  
*Eyes Forward Creating our Narratives*, (with works from *Identity Theft*), California State University, Fresno, CA  
*3D A Contemporary Sculpture Show*, The Creative House, Inglewood, CA  
*THEN IS NOW, 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary art exhibit*, Joyce Gordon Gallery, Oakland, CA  
*Rediscovering America*, Kinsey Collection, American Heritage Gallery, Walt Disney World Epcot, FL  
*Viva Los Muertos: Day of the Dead*, Autry Museum, Los Angeles, CA  
*Artworks For Healing*, Skirball Cultural Center, Los Angeles, CA  
*Feminine Mystique*, Fine Arts Building Downtown Los Angeles, CA

### **2000-2009**

*365...AND COUNTING*, Avenue 50 Studio Highland Park, CA  
*Through Future Eyes; The Endurance of Humanity*, curated by YBCA Young Artists at Work, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco, CA  
*Inside My Head*, California African American Museum, Los Angeles, CA  
*30 Year Celebration*, California African American Museum, Los Angeles, CA  
*Collaborations: Two Decades of Excellence, Pyramid/Hearne Fine Art: 1998-2008*, Little Rock, AR  
*Chukes and Scott; Face to Face*, Artpeace Gallery, Burbank, CA.  
*African-American Art Exhibition*, Da Vinci Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
*Mutual Respect*, Joyce Gordon Gallery, Oakland, CA  
*19<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibit*, Featuring Chukes and Dianne Smith, Hearne Fine Art, Little Rock, AR  
*The Case For The Abstract*, Artpeace Gallery, Burbank, CA  
*The Family of Clay: California College of Arts and Crafts, 1950-2005*, Oliver Art Center, Oakland, CA  
Joyce Gordon Gallery, Oakland, CA  
National Black Fine Art Show, New York, NY  
*Terra Firma, Part 1*, Manhattan Beach Art Center, Manhattan Beach, CA  
*Philip Cornelius & Chukes*, Xiem Clay Center, Pasadena, CA  
National Black Fine Art Show, New York, NY  
Chukes & Bill Dallas, Thelma Harris Art Gallery, Oakland, CA  
National Black Fine Art Show, New York, NY  
Bill Dallas & Chukes, Thelma Harris Art Gallery, Oakland, CA  
National Black Fine Art Show, New York, NY  
*Art Between Two Houses*, Altadena, CA  
American Red Cross Center, Pasadena, CA  
Jackie Robinson Center Exhibit, Pasadena, CA  
Art 21, Las Vegas, NV  
National Black Fine Art Show, New York, NY  
Art 21 Palm Springs International Fine Art Exhibit, Palm Springs, CA  
William Grant Still Community Arts Center, Los Angeles, CA

### **1983-1999**

Linda Warren Fine Arts, Los Angeles, CA  
Boribana Museum, Senegal, West Africa  
Thelma Harris Art Gallery, Oakland, CA  
*Jubulani Freedom Rising*, Benefit for The Desmond Tutu Peace Trust, Wiltern Theatre, Los Angeles, CA  
Studio B Art Gallery, Pomona, CA  
Pan African Film and Art Festival, Los Angeles, CA  
*Time of Departure*, CCAC graduate show, curated by Raymond Saunders, Pro-Arts Gallery, Oakland, CA  
California African American Museum, Los Angeles, CA  
Third World Art Exchange, Los Angeles, CA  
Toki Gallery, Oakland, CA  
Oliver Art Center, Oakland, CA  
Preservation Park Fine Art Show, Oakland, CA  
Genesis Sanctuary For The Arts, San Jose, CA  
Juneteenth Art Celebration, San Jose, CA 1985 Juneteenth Art Celebration, San Jose, CA

### **SELECTED LECTURES:**

### **2000-2020**

*Ubuntu*, artist talk, The Creative House, Inglewood CA  
*Ubuntu*, artist talk, Hearne Fine Art, Little Rock, AR  
*Art Scene: Chukes*, Daniel Breen, Radio host, KURN Radio 89.1 FM NPR, Little Rock, AR  
*Identity Theft*, Hearne Fine Art, Little Rock, AR  
*Identity Theft*, The Creative House, Inglewood, CA  
*Identity Theft*, Joyce Gordon Gallery, Oakland, CA  
*Identity Theft*, Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, CA  
*Identity Theft*, Alkebulan Cultural Arts Center, Pasadena, CA  
Artist Lecture, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, AR  
*The Journey Continues*, lecture, San Jose City College, San Jose, CA  
*A Conversation with the Artist Chukes*, Black Heritage Gallery Houston, TX  
Artist Talk, Houston Community College Houston, TX  
*Fired Rhythm*, artist talk, Hearne Fine Art, Little Rock, AR  
*Distinguished Alumnus Commencement Speaker*, San Jose City College, San Jose, CA  
*The Journey*, lecture, San Jose City College, San Jose, CA  
*Collaborations Two Decades of African American Art*, Little Rock, AR  
*My Legacy*, lecture, Central High School, Little Rock, AR  
*Transitions on Traditions: Chukes II*, Greg Bridges, Radio host, KPFA Radio 94.1 FM, Oakland, CA  
Artist Talk, African American Art & Culture Complex, San Francisco, CA  
*Transitions on Traditions: Chukes I*, Greg Bridges, Radio host, KPFA Radio 94.1 FM, Oakland, CA  
*Art Summer Enrichment Program*, lecture, The Community Artist's Collective, Houston, TX  
*Lecture Series*, Pasadena Public Library, Pasadena, CA  
*From Abstract To Realism*, Thelma Harris Art Gallery, Oakland, CA  
*Youth Artist Symposium*, lecture, Thomas & Hall Fine Art Gallery, Dallas, TX  
*Soul Dance*, Hearne Fine Art, Little Rock, AR

### **1985-1999**

*Artist Mentor Program*, lecture, Leimert Park Fine Art, Los Angeles, CA  
*Career Day*, Blair High School, Pasadena, CA  
Two Influences, California State University, Fullerton, CA  
*Afrocentric Emphasis and Influence in World Culture*, South Dallas Cultural Center, Dallas, TX  
*Caressed By The Earth, Contoured by Hand*, California African American Museum, Los Angeles, CA  
*Student and Teacher*, lecture, Andrew Hill High School, San Jose, CA  
*Methods and Constructions*, lecture, The Art School, Oakland, CA  
*Artist Lectures*, McClymonds High School, Oakland, CA  
*Artist Lecture Series*, San Jose City College, San Jose, CA  
*Artist Lecture Series*, Evergreen Valley College, San Jose, CA

## **SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY:**

*Identity Theft Collection by Chukes*, ArtAboveReality, YouTube, 2023  
*Identity Theft: Creations From a Social Conscience*, Book by Chukes, Foreword by David Pagel, Sagest Press, 2023  
*PICS: Meet the Amazing Sculpturer Chukesart*, Live TV, FashionGHANA, Africa, 2021  
*Chukes "Identity Theft" Collection Illustrates Impact of Police Violence on Black Americans*, The Tennessee Tribune, 2021  
cielpaper magazine, London, England, 2021  
Heart & Soul Magazine, 2020  
*Chukes My Legacy*, Eric Minh Swenson Art Films, EMS Legacy Films, YouTube, 2020  
*Identity Theft; Creations from a Social Consciousness*, Catalog by Chukes, Self-published, 2019  
*Art & Life with Michael Chukes*, Interview, Voyage LA, 2018  
*36 L.A. Artists*, Photographs By Leopoldo Pena, 2010  
*Art House*, O The Oprah Magazine, 2009  
*How San Jose track coaches molded the life of an artist*, Scott Herhold, San Jose Mercury News, 2009  
*Collaborations: Two Decades of African American Art*, Hearne Fine Art, 2008  
*Occasions For Writing*, Robert DiYanni, Pat C. Hoy II, 2008  
*Home is Where The Art Is*, Ebony, 2008  
*Chukes*, Valentine New York, 2008  
*Faith and Values*, The Fresno Bee, 2004  
*Art and Soul; Black Women Gallery Owners Live For Art*, Essence Magazine, 2004  
*Now, That's Body Language*, Peggy Heinkel-Wolfe, Dallas Star-Telegram, 2004  
*ARTLIES presents Chukes*, Thomas & Hall Fine Art Gallery, 2004  
*Homes of Color*, January-February 2004  
*Big Art in New York*, Esther Iverem, <http://www.bet.com>, 2002  
*The Arts Advantage to California in the Changing World*, Jack Scott, Sacramento: California Legislature Joint Committee on the Arts, 2001  
*Make it in Clay*, Charlotte F. Speight, Mountain View: Mayfield Publishing Company, 1997  
*Sculptures Drop in At School*, Betty Barnacle, San Jose Mercury News, 1997  
*Caressed by the Earth, Contoured by Hand*, Los Angeles Times, 1997

## **AFFILIATIONS:**

Pasadena Arts Council, Pasadena, CA, 2008  
National NAACP Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological & Scientific Olympics, Dallas, TX, 2002  
California State Legislature, Hearing of the Joint Committee on the Arts, Burbank, CA, 2001  
California State Legislature, Local Arts Community Meeting, Pasadena Historical Museum, CA, 2001

## **AWARDS:**

Amicus College II Award, Commencement Speaker, San Jose City College, San Jose, CA, 2009  
City of Dallas, TX Special Recognition Arts Award, Councilman Leo V. Chaney, Jr., 2004  
Artist-in-residence Honor Leimert Park Fine Arts, Los Angeles, CA, 1998-2000  
Arts Award for Exceptional Achievement, San Francisco Museum of Art, 1996

## **GALLERY REPRESENTATION**

Hearne Fine Art Gallery, Little Rock, AR  
Joyce Gordon Gallery, Oakland, CA  
Framed Gallery, Cleveland, OH

## **SELECTED SCULPTURES COMMISSIONED OR IN PRIVATE COLLECTIONS:**

Archbishop Desmond Tutu  
James A. Thomas, White House Deputy District Attorney  
Dr. Archie and Garbo Hearne, Hearne Fine Art  
Oakland Museum of Art, California  
Mosaic Templars Cultural Center, Little Rock, AR  
Philander Smith College, Little Rock, AR  
California State University, Fresno

San Jose City College, CA  
The Mus'ee Boribana Museum, Senegal South Africa  
Dr. Alonzo and Susan Williams, Collectors  
Adjoa Aiyetoro, Lawyer, UALR Law professor  
Carol H. Williams, Advertising Mogul  
Bernard and Shirley Kinsey, Collectors  
Thelma Harris, Thelma Harris Art Gallery  
Dr. Alonzo and Susan Williams, Collectors  
Peggy Cooper Cafritz, Collector  
George Clinton, Musician  
CCH Pounder, Actress  
Dr. Daniel Laroche, Collector