

JESSICA CUNI

Education

Brooklyn College (2002 – 2004) Master of Fine Arts, Painting and Drawing.

Swarthmore College (1996 – 2000) Bachelor of Arts, Biology.

Studio Arts Center International (1998) Florence, Italy.

Exhibitions

- Solo and Two Person:*
- Lo Cotidiano**, Choate Rosemary Hall, Wallingford, CT (10/2017)
 - Selective Truth**, Andrew Mellon Library, Wallingford CT (3/2017)
 - Bioluminescence**, Christine Price Gallery, Castleton, VT (10/2013)
 - The Whitney Center, Hamden, CT (11/2009)
 - Kehler Liddell Gallery, New Haven, CT (10/2006)
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 - Gallery 195, New Haven, CT (1/2005)
 - Kaori Kitao Gallery, Swarthmore, PA (5/2000)
- Group:*
- Light Sensitive**, Susan B. Hilles Gallery, New Haven CT (9/2017)
 - Faculty Exhibit**, Paul Mellon Arts Center, Wallingford, CT (09/2016)
 - Somewhat Off the Wall**, New Haven, CT (9/2015)
 - Side by Side**, The Whitney Center Gallery, Hamden, CT (4/2015)
 - Order and Chaos**, The Golden Thread Gallery, West Hartford, CT (2/2015)
 - On the Spiritual in Art**, The Whitney Center Gallery, Hamden, CT (11/2014)
 - More Than a Face**, Sumner McKnight Crosby, Jr. Gallery, New Haven, CT (11/2014)
 - No Country for Old Men**, Landmark College, Putney, VT (2/2014)
 - Spark**, Stone Valley Arts, Poultney, VT (12/2013)
 - Taking Shape**, The Drawing Room Gallery, Cos Cob, CT (12/2012)
 - Benefit Auction**, Artspace, New Haven, CT (10/2012)
 - Faculty Exhibit**, William Feick Arts Center, Poultney, VT (10/2012)
 - Members' Exhibit**, Southern VT Arts Center, Manchester, VT (2/2012)
 - Members' Exhibit**, Chaffee Arts Center, Rutland, VT (5/2011)
 - Faculty Exhibit**, William Feick Arts Center, Poultney, VT (9/2010)
 - Paint!, Climate/Gallery**, New York, NY (11/2009)
 - Somewhat Off the Wall**, New Haven, CT (9/2009)
 - Firehouse Art Gallery**, Milford, CT (7/2008)
 - Kehler Liddell Gallery**, New Haven, CT (7/2007)
 - Kehler Liddell Gallery**, New Haven, CT (9/2006)
 - Haskins Laboratory**, New Haven, CT (7/2006)
 - Affordable Art Fair**, represented by Solar Gallery, New York, NY (6/2006)
 - Stone Spirits**, Solar Gallery, East Hampton, NY (5/2006)
 - Kehler Liddell Gallery**, New Haven, CT (5/2006)
 - New Haven Paint & Clay Club 105th Annual Juried Exhibition**, (3/2006)
 - Another State of Mind**, Gateway College Art Gallery, New Haven, CT (3/2006)
 - ArLoW Art + Design**, Kehler Liddell Gallery, New Haven, CT (2/2006)
 - Small Works Exhibition**, Kehler Liddell Gallery, New Haven, CT (12/2005)
 - Artspace City-Wide Open Studios**, New Haven, CT (10/2005)
 - Arte Gallery**, New Haven, CT (9/2005)
 - Kehler Liddell Gallery**, New Haven, CT (5/2005)

State of Mind, Arts Council of Greater New Haven, CT (11/2004)
Artspace City-Wide Open Studios, New Haven, CT (10/2004)
Brooklyn College MFA Thesis Exhibition, Brooklyn, NY (5/2004)
College Art Association MFA Exhibition, New York, NY (3/2003)
Brooklyn College First Years' MFA Show, Brooklyn, NY (11/2002)

Speaking Engagements

Gallery Talk, Andrew Mellon Library, 3/2017
On the Spiritual in Art Artist Lecture, The Whitney Center, Hamden, CT, 1/2015
The Theory of Everything, Faculty Colloquium, Green Mountain College, Poultney, VT, 11/2013
Gallery Talk, Christine Price Gallery, Castleton, VT 10/2013
Visiting Artist, Landmark College, Putney, VT 4/2013
Visiting Critic, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA, 4/2012
Governor's Institute on the Arts, VT, Visiting Artist Lecture, 7/2010
The Whitney Center, Artist Talk to accompany solo exhibition, 11/2009
City-Wide Open Studios Curated Tour Artist Talk (10/2006)
Artspace Artist Talk, New Haven, CT, 2006
Kehler Liddell Gallery, Artist Talk to accompany exhibition 10/2005

Bibliography and Published Images

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'Order & Chaos' to Open at Golden Thread Gallery, we-ha.com, 1/18/2015
Dunne, Susan. *Female Artists Celebrate Life's Challenges With Self Portraits*, The Hartford Courant, 12/10/2014
Capturing the Self, Yale Daily News, 12/5/2014
Haviland, Dylan. *Art Education Alumni Showcases 'River of Time' Gallery*, Southern News, 12/5/2014
Appel, Allan. *Portraits Without Faces*, The New Haven Independent, 11/25/2014
Joseph, Tresa. *Local Exhibition Redefines Self-Portraiture*, Yale Daily News, 11/19/2014
Landmark College Hosts Gallery Talk, Brattleboro Reformer, Brattleboro, VT 4/5/2014
Rowlett, Samuel. *Why Can't You Draw?* <http://hyperallergic.com/65071/why-cant-you-draw/>, 2/13/2013.
Rowlett, Samuel. *Connecticut River Art Review: A Field Guide*, Big, Red and Shiny 1/25/2013
Howard, Sharma. *Three Rivers College Celebrates New Campus with New Artwork*, The Norwich Bulletin, 5/7/2010
Birke, Judy. *Disparate styles find an easy dialogue at Kehler Liddell* New Haven Register, 10/29/2006
Hoffman, Hank. *West Neighborhood: Gerald Saladyga and Jessica Cuni*. www.CTArt Scene.com, 10/23/2006
Genocchio, Benjamin. *Display of Hispanic Talent, From the Folkloric to the Contemporary*. New York Times, 6/18/2006
W-SHU Long Island National Public Radio (NPR), Interview with Esperanza Leon, 5/2006
Leon, Esperanza, *Stone Spirits*, catalogue to accompany exhibit, 6/2006
Gilbert, Craig. *Lasting Images*. New Haven Advocate, 10/27/2005
Birke, Judy. *Two Artists from Two Worlds Seek Harmony and Balance*. New Haven Register, 10/22/2005
New Haven Register (featured image) 10/2/2005
Bresnick, Hanni. *City-Wide Open Studios Arts!* 10/2005
Yagla, Elizabeth Arte Inc. *Entrego Becas a Artistas Hispanos de New Haven*. Registro, 9/30/2005
Martinez, Magalis. *Latino Heritage Month: A Celebration of Latino Visual Artists Arts!*, 9/2005

Awards and Residencies

Vermont Artists Week, The Vermont Studio Center, 4/2014
Juror's Award, Firehouse Art Gallery, Milford, CT (2008)
Arte Grant Recipient, New Haven, CT. (2005)
ArLoW (Artist Lofts Westville) selected resident, New Haven, CT (2005)
Finalist, Henry Luce Foundation Scholars Program, Swarthmore College (2004)
The Dean's Award for Academic Excellence, Brooklyn College (2004)
Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities Award Recipient, Brooklyn College (2004)
Charles G. Shaw Award for Excellence in Painting, Brooklyn College (2003)

Commissions and Special Projects

Outside Evaluator, Marlboro College, Marlboro, VT (4/2015, 4/2013, 12/2012)
Public Mural Project, Town of Fornello, Italy (1/2014)
To Let it Go, To Let it Go, Griswold Library, Poultney, VT (10/2012). Site-specific multi-media interactive installation
Rock, Paper, Scissors, Participant in collaborative performance piece directed by Erika Lawlor Schmidt, Green Mountain College (2012)
Sumner McKnight Crosby Jr. Gallery, New Haven, CT. Guest Curator: *Working Drawing* (6/2010)
Three Rivers Community College, Norwich, CT (2009-10) Selected artist for permanent, large-scale installation.

Teaching

Choate Rosemary Hall, Wallingford, CT (8/2014-present)
Visual Arts Program Head and Faculty member. Design and teach a variety of courses in drawing, painting, mixed-media, foundations, environmental art and portfolio prep. Advise Arts Concentration students, special projects, capstone projects, and art clubs. Manage studios and participate in Sustainability and Diversity committees. Co-chair of ad-hoc *Creativity in and Beyond the Classroom* committee (2015), Co-chair of NEASC Standard 4 committee (2016)

Green Mountain College, Poultney, VT (8/2010 – 6/2014)
Assistant Professor of Art. Design and teach a variety of courses in drawing, painting, gallery curating and management, color theory, multi-media art, art theory, and interdisciplinary studies. Manage all student studios, manage course budgets, help organize departmental events and help manage facilities improvements and maintenance. Advise several students per year for registration and degree completion. Advise student art club. Chair, Green Mountain College Diversity Committee, elected member of Faculty Compensation Committee.

Southern Connecticut State University, New Haven, CT (1/07 – 12/09)
Adjunct Lecturer of Art. Designed curriculum and taught foundation drawing class.

Amistad Academy, New Haven, CT (9/2004 – 6/2005)
Art Teacher. Designed and implemented studio art curriculum for 5th and 6th grade students.

Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, NY (1/2003 – 5/2003)
Teaching Assistant, painting class. Created open dialogue with students to help develop their work. Assisted in individual and group critique, led group discussions. Maintained studio and ordered supplies.

Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA (9/2000 - 5/2001)

Teaching Assistant, painting class and foundation art class. Created open dialogue with students to help develop their work. Assisted in individual and group critique, led group discussions. Maintained studio and ordered supplies.

Non-Profit/Arts Management

The William Feick Arts Center at Green Mountain College, Poultney, VT (10/2010 – 6/2014)

Director. Organize and curate exhibitions. Organize and curate artist residency program. Organize and manage all gallery operations including media relations, receptions, special events, mailings and facility improvement and maintenance. Create and manage yearly budget. Hire, train, and manage staff.

Neighborhood Housing Services of New Haven, New Haven, CT (4/2006 – 9/2008)

Resource Development Director. Raised more than \$3,000,000 by researching and applying for both public and private funding opportunities. Job responsibilities involved extensive writing for organization's grant applications, publications and website as well as cultivating new funders with strategic meetings and special event planning. Responsibilities also included planning and successfully implementing a \$1.25 million capital campaign and working closely with the executive director, board of directors and NHS staff.

Kehler Liddell Gallery, New Haven, CT (5/2005 – 3/2006)

Director. Organized and mounted exhibitions. Organized and managed all gallery operations including media relations, receptions, special events, mailings. Oversaw all expenses and maintained budget. Organized gallery members for meetings and gallery sitting schedules.

International Arts Project, New York, NY & Mola Di Bari, Italy. (4/2004 – 5/2005)

Co-Founder and Co-Director. Created an initiative designed to bring international visual artists (both student and professional) together for an enriching studio and cultural experience. Responsibilities included publicity and public relations, budget planning and fundraising, general organization, recruitment and collaboration with other organizations.

Wingspan Arts, Inc., New York, NY. (4/2004 – 7/2004)

Site Director. Oversaw daily operations of After-School Arts Program serving over 100 children. Supervised all teachers and curricula. Acted as Liaison between Wingspan and parents, PTA, and host institution. Managed budget, wrote newsletters, organized events. Designed and implemented program improvements.

List Gallery at Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA. (8/2001 – 12/2001)

Acting Director. Researched, organized, and mounted exhibitions. Edited the annual *Friends of Art* Newsletter. Oversaw the ongoing exhibition of selected works from Swarthmore's collection and assisted with restoration and exhibition projects. Trained employees in professional curatorial standards. Oversaw expenses and ensured that exhibition projects were completed within budget.

List Gallery at Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA. (9/1999 - 8/2001)

Gallery Coordinator. Wrote press releases and conducted phone interviews. Mounted exhibitions with the artists. Greeted clients and maintained gallery appearance. Organized mass mailings, organized and hosted receptions. Scheduled and supervised student employees.

Volunteer

Board Member, Vermont Academy of Arts and Sciences (8/2013 – 6/2014)

Arts Council of Greater New Haven, CT (2009-2010) Member of the Visual Artists Advisory Group

NHS Voter Registration Drive, New Haven, CT (2008)

National NeighborWorks Week Neighborhood Clean-ups (2005-2008)

Arts Council of Greater New Haven, New Haven, CT (2004)

Artspace, New Haven, CT (2004)

Vice-President, Graduate Art Student Union, Brooklyn College (5/2003-5/2004)

Kentler International Drawing Space, Brooklyn NY. (5/2003)

Family Planning Clinic, Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, NY. (Summer 1999)

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA. (9/1996 - 12/1996)