



JOY O. UDE

DESIGNER & EDUCATOR

CONTACT

 www.joyoftextiles.com

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

2000 - 2005 | Denton, TX

- BFA, Fashion Design

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

2010 - 2013 | Denton, TX

- MFA, Studio Art-Fibers

INSTALLATIONS

Patterning Community

Souls Grown Deep:

Artists of the African American South

Philadelphia Museum of Art

Philadelphia, PA

ARTICLES

Joy O. Ude explores her heritage in textiles and photos

L. Kent Wolgamott

Lincoln Journal Star, July 26th, 2014

Joy O. Ude, Artist

Sally Deskins

Les Femmes Folles, July 9th, 2013

PUBLISHED WRITING

Emerging Voices

Surface Design Journal

Textiles+, Winter 2014

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AWARDS

2023 Velocity Fund Grantee

Threading the Needle: Access for BIPOC Educators

SOLO & TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2021 ***9ja Vision: The Fiber and Mixed-Media Work of Joy O. Ude***

Joy O. Ude

Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, Houston, TX

Curator: María-Elisa Heg

2014 ***Omission in Print***

Joy O. Ude

LUX Center for the Arts, Lincoln, NE

2013 ***From Black to Daylight***

Joy O. Ude

WoCA Projects Gallery, Fort Worth, TX

Entertaining The Life

Joy O. Ude and Desha Dauchan

WoCA Projects Gallery, Fort Worth, TX

Curator: Lauren Cross

2012 ***Clark Dolls (Nwanta)***

Joy O. Ude

Union Gallery, University of North Texas, Denton, TX

Stitched: Subculture/Subtext

Joy O. Ude and Marshall Thompson

Brazos Gallery, Richland College, Dallas, TX

Curators: Victoria DeCuir and Anne Lawrence

2011 ***Make Yourself At Home***

Joy O. Ude and Delaney Smith

Union Gallery, University of North Texas, Denton, TX

Jurors: Gallery Review Committee

COLLECTIONS

Beverley Caskey, Derby, KS

Maja Harris, Lincoln, NE

James M. Klancnik, Dallas, TX

Steve Wake, Lincoln, NE

The Fabric Workshop and Museum, Philadelphia, PA

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

FJORD Gallery, Member Artist | 2017 - 2023



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GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025 ***Working at a Joyous Creative Thing***

Wharton Esherick Museum, Malvern, PA
Organizer & Curator: Kelly Cobb

Arrowmont Instructors Exhibit

Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN
Organizer: Heather Wetzel

2024 ***Love Sent Across Seas***

Penn Museum, Philadelphia, PA
Curators: Miranda Alexander and Alissa Jordan

Fleisher Art Memorial Faculty Exhibition

Fleisher Art Memorial, Philadelphia, PA
Curator: Girard Silva

2023 ***Arrowmont Instructors Exhibit***

Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN
Organizer: Heather Wetzel

2021 ***Once Removed***

Southern Exposure, San Francisco, CA
Curator: Kija Lucas

2020 ***Collectively***

Payne Gallery, Bethlehem, PA
Organizers: Natessa Amin and Kaitlynd O'Doherty

A Bell

Sahara West Library, Las Vegas, NV
Curator: Loring Taoka

Will You Be There?

[Online exhibition](#)
Curators: SVA MACP Fellows

2019 ***Lobster Dinner***

Trestle Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
Curator: Will Hutnick

2019 ***Stitched***

(CONT.)

Kelly Writers House, Philadelphia, PA
Curator: Lise Funderburg

Threaded

MCC Art Gallery, Mesa, AZ
Jurors: María-Elisa Heg and Mark Newport

Love Is Always Wise

Anacostia Arts Center, Washington, D.C.
Curators: Michelle Ivette Gomez and Devin N. Morris

Structured

Textile Center, Minneapolis, MN
Curators: Tracy Krumm and Casey Whittier

2018 ***Second State Press Presents: T-Minus***

Tenant Gallery, Crane Arts Building, Philadelphia, PA

A HOME IS WHAT IS HOME

Little Berlin, Philadelphia, PA
Curator: Jeremy Sims

2018 Second State Press: Prints We Made

The University of the Arts Printmaking Gallery
Philadelphia, PA

What We Don't Realize When We See Things

The Wassaic Project, Wassaic, NY
Curators: Tara Foley, Will Hutnick, and Jordan Hutton

2017 ***New Bloods***

FJORD Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
Curators: FJORD Gallery Members

Urgent Care: A Social Care Experiment

The Colored Girls Museum, Philadelphia, PA
Curators: Vashti DuBois and Michael Clemmons

Bedside Manner

Little Berlin, Philadelphia, PA
Curators: Amy Cousins and Kelly Kuykendall



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GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2017
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Comrades of Time

Artscape, Baltimore, MD
Curators: FJORD Gallery Members

Fob Holder Exhibition

Second State Press, Philadelphia, PA

2016

A Good Night's Sleep: Act One, Urgent Care

The Colored Girls Museum, Philadelphia, PA
Curators: Vashti DuBois and Michael Clemmons

2015

Rabbit Rabbit Rabbit

The Fabric Workshop and Museum, Philadelphia, PA
Curators: Stephanie Greene and Alexander Unkovic

Considerably More

Gallery 1010, Knoxville, TN
Curator: Jessica V. Gatlin

Arrowmont Instructors Exhibit

Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN
Organizer: Kelly Hider

Art Seen

Joslyn Art Museum, Omaha, NE
Jurors: Karin Campbell and Bill Arning

2014

Wrappable

LUX Center for the Arts, Lincoln, NE
Curator: Susan Stark-Johnson

CraftTexas 2014

Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, Houston, TX
Jurors: Carol Sauvion, Piero Fenci, and Clint Willour

CHAOS

Ro2 Art Downtown, Dallas, TX
Curators: Jordan Roth and Susan Roth-Romans

Fiberart International (Traveling Exhibition)

American Textile History Museum, Lowell, MA
Jurors: Kai Chan, Paulina Ortiz, and Joyce J. Scott

2014
(CONT.)

Fiberart International (Traveling Exhibition)

Franklin G. Burroughs-Simeon B. Chapin Art Museum
Myrtle Beach, SC
Jurors: Kai Chan, Paulina Ortiz, and Joyce J. Scott

Ultra/Sensory

Online
Curator: Lilia Kudelia

LAVISH: Design in Dallas

Dallas Contemporary, Dallas, TX
Curator: Peter Doroshenko

2013

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Ro2 Art Downtown, Dallas, TX
Curators: Jordan Roth and Susan Roth-Romans

Wrappable

LUX Center for the Arts, Lincoln, NE
Curator: Susan Stark-Johnson

Fantastic Fibers

Yeiser Art Center, Paducah, KY
Juror: Rusty Freeman

Fiberart International

Pittsburgh Center for the Arts and Society
for Contemporary Craft, Pittsburgh, PA
Jurors: Kai Chan, Paulina Ortiz, and Joyce J. Scott

2012

Yuma Art Symposium Student Show

Yuma Art Center, Yuma, AZ
Curators: Neely Tomkins and Rex Ijams

Yuma Symposium Exhibition

North Gallery, University of North Texas, Denton, TX
Curator: James Thurman

52nd Annual Voertman's Student Art Competition

College of Visual Arts and Design
University of North Texas, Denton, TX
Juror: Clint Willour



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2012
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LINK Graduate Exhibition

Cora Stafford Gallery
University of North Texas, Denton, TX
Curator: Pam Burnley-Schol

Home Is Where The Needle Marks

Pop tART Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Curator: Ellen Schinderman

Spotlight On Student Fiber Trends

Wellington B. Gray Gallery
East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
Juror: Ray Pierotti

UNT LINK Exhibition

Cohn Drennan Gallery, Dallas, TX
Curator: Cohn Drennan

CraftTexas 2012

Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, Houston, TX
Jurors: Jean W. McLaughlin, Rachelle Thiewes,
and Jade Walker

2011

Visual Arts Society of Texas (VAST) 43rd Annual National Visual Arts Exhibition

Meadows Gallery, Denton, TX
Juror: Benito Huerta

51st Annual Voertman's Student Art Competition

College of Visual Arts and Design
University of North Texas, Denton, TX
Juror: Peter Doroshenko

CURATORIAL

2023

Before the DJ Was Sound, and She Played It

Petra Floyd
FJORD Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
Organizers: Anthony Bowers and Joy O. Ude

CURATORIAL (CONT.)

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2022

Trust Falls

Alexis Granwell, Matthew Higgins, Stephanie Kantor,
Joseph Lozano, Kate McCammon, Samantha Mitchell,
Kristen Neville Taylor, Zach Zecha
FJORD Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
Curators: FJORD Gallery Members

2019

EMBODIED

Basil Kincaid, Devin N. Morris, D'Angelo Lovell Williams
FJORD Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
Curator: Joy O. Ude

Terra Not So Firma

Caroline Charuk, Joey Cocciardi, Yael Eban, Cindy Gosselin,
Christina Graham, Annie May Johnston, Alex Lukas,
Alexander Mansour, Graham McDougal, Marie Bannerot
McInerney, Sidney Mullis, Liam O'Connor, Drew Rane,
Ben K. Voss, David Walsh
FJORD Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
Curators: FJORD Gallery Members

2018

Fever Dream

Tabitha Arnold, Dain Deltadawn, Stuart Lantry, Justin
Levesque, Nick Primo, Emilie Selden, Maria Stabio,
Megan Stroeck, Rebecca Tennenbaum, Ellie Tomlinson,
William Warden, Seneca Weintraut
FJORD Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
Curators: FJORD Gallery Members

2017

Apparitions

Winnie Ambron, Julia Bunn, Madeleine Cichy, Annon
Conaway, Alex Echevarria, Garrett Gould, Pernot Hudson,
Will Hutnick, Jihyun Hong, Mari Elaine Lamp, Mira Putnam,
Annasophia Vukovich, Lauryn Welch
FJORD Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
Curators: FJORD Gallery Members



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ARTIST DEMONSTRATIONS & WORKSHOPS

2025

Chronicles in Cloth

One-week workshop
Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN

2024

The Art of Protection: Exploring Beauty and Resilience in Black Design

Block printing workshop with Joy O. Ude
Institute of Contemporary Art, Philadelphia, PA

Coil-built Forms with Fibers

Multi-week workshop
Fleisher Art Memorial, Philadelphia, PA

2023

Career Advice & Studio Visits with Joy O. Ude

Visiting artist
College of Visual Arts & Design
University of North Texas, Denton, TX

Personalized Surfaces with Joy O. Ude

Multi-week workshop
Surface Design Association, online

Quilted Magnets with Joy O. Ude

Art activity
Mural Arts, Philadelphia, PA

2022

Over/Under

Two-week workshop
Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, ME

2021

Coiled Basketry with Joy O. Ude (part of 9ja Vision)

Workshop
Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, Houston, TX

Hands on Houston to Go: Quilted Magnets

Workshop
Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, Houston, TX

2020

Artrepreneurs

Teaching artist
Mural Arts, Philadelphia, PA

Fun with Fibers (part of Art Splash)

Workshop
Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA

2019

Artrepreneurs

Teaching artist
Mural Arts, Philadelphia, PA

Fun with Fibers (part of Art Splash)

Workshop
Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA

America to Zanzibar: Muslim Cultures Near and Far

Garden workshop
Please Touch Museum, Philadelphia, PA

America to Zanzibar: Muslim Cultures Near and Far

Fiber art workshop
Please Touch Museum, Philadelphia, PA

2018

Contemporary Art: DIY Screenprinting for Kids

Workshop
University City Arts League, Philadelphia, PA

2017

Coiled Bowl Workshop for Teens and Adults

Workshop
Lucien E. Blackwell Regional Library, Philadelphia, PA

A Common Thread: Shibori, Embroidery, and Tatting

One-week workshop
Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN

2015

The Embellished Image on Cloth

One-week workshop
Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN

SFASU Summer Educators' Art Studio (Fibers)

One-week workshop
Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX

2014

Chronicles in Cloth

Demonstration
Nebraska Wesleyan University, Lincoln, NE

2012

Stitched: Subculture/Subtext

Demonstration
Brazos Gallery, Richland College, Dallas, TX



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PRESENTATIONS | LECTURES | TALKS

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| 2025 | Chronicles in Cloth Presenter Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN | 2018 (CONT.) | Fashioning Black Masculinity: Dandies, Photography, and Curatorial Process Panel discussion, with Q&A: Shantrelle P. Lewis, Devin N. Morris, and Walè Oyèjìdè Organizer & Moderator Tyler School of Art, Philadelphia, PA |
| 2023 | Joy O. Ude: Instruction and Studio Work Artist presentation College of Visual Arts & Design University of North Texas, Denton, TX | 2017 | New Bloods Artist talk, with Q&A: Doah Lee, Theo Mullen, and Joy O. Ude Panelist FJORD Gallery, Philadelphia, PA Moderator: Anna Neighbors |
| 2022 | Textile Talk Artist presentation Surface Design Association, online Joy O. Ude: Creative Process & Ideas Lecture Haystack, online Joy O. Ude: Current Work and Studio Practice Artist presentation Haystack, Deer Isle, ME | | A Common Thread: Shibori, Embroidery, and Tatting Presenter Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN Freedom Quilts Freedom Day Family Festival Presenter Please Touch Museum, Philadelphia, PA |
| 2021 | Craft Chats: 9ja Vision Tour with María-Elisa Heg and Joy O. Ude Guide, with María Elisa Heg Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, Houston, TX Once Removed (performance & roundtable) Panelist Southern Exposure, San Francisco, CA Moderator: Valerie Imus | 2015 | The Embellished Image on Cloth Presenter Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN |
| 2019 | EMBODIED Discussion and Q&A with Devin N. Morris Moderator FJORD Gallery, Philadelphia, PA | 2014 | Joy O. Ude: Current Work and Studio Practice Visiting Artist, Printmaking department University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR Research and Process: Selected MFA Work Presenter University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE |
| 2018 | Freedom Quilts Freedom Day Family Festival Presenter Please Touch Museum, Philadelphia, PA What We Don't Realize When We See Things Panelist The Wassaic Project, Wassaic, NY Moderator: Lizzy DeVita | | Omission in Print: Concept and Process Presenter LUX Center for the Arts, Lincoln, NE |
| | | 2013 | Mammy & Me: The Outlaw Presenter WoCA Projects, Fort Worth, TX |
| | | 2012 | BFA Program in Fibers, Design II (Fall & Spring 2012) Presenter College of Visual Arts and Design University of North Texas, Denton, TX |