

# Linda S. Fitz Gibbon

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Born in New York, Fitz Gibbon has lived over 30 years in Northern CA. Artist residencies include Anderson Ranch Art Center and Vermont Studio Center. Professional artist and dedicated community arts educator, Fitz Gibbon is an Art Professor at Cosumnes River College, Sacramento and also serves as Teaching Artist in Yolo County K-12 schools. Her work is in the collection of five museums.\*

## Education

- 2013 MFA in Visual Arts, Lesley University College of Art + Design (formerly Art Institute of Boston), Merit Scholarship
- 1980 BA, Yale University, Cum Laude. Double Major in Art History with Distinction, and Music

## Selected Solo/Duo Exhibitions

- 2024 *Chew on That!* – Ceramic Plates at the Yolo Branch Library, Yolo, CA
- 2017 *Animal, Vegetable, Mineral: Linda Fitz Gibbon & Shirley Hazlett*, Arthouse Gallery, Sacramento, CA
- 2016 *Linda S. Fitz Gibbon*, Artspace 1616, Sacramento, CA  
*Ken Hendrickson & Linda Fitz Gibbon*, Kaneko Gallery, American River College, Sacramento, CA
- 2015 *Counterpoint, Susan Aulik & Linda S. Fitz Gibbon*. GearBox Gallery, Oakland, CA  
*Linda Fitz Gibbon: Feast for Your Eyes – The Artful Plate*. Monticello Seasonal Cuisine, Davis, CA
- 2014 *Linda Fitz Gibbon, Beautifully Grotesque*, Shimo Center for the Arts, Sacramento, CA
- 2012 *Transformations: Linda S. Fitz Gibbon and Maureen Hood*, Kaneko Gallery, American River College, Sacramento, CA
- 2011 *Linda Fitz Gibbon: Not Your Grandmother's Wedgwood*, B. Sakata Garo, Sacramento, CA
- 2008 *Earthly Delights, Ceramic Work by Linda S. Fitz Gibbon*, Pence Gallery, Davis, CA
- 2004 *Ceramic Sculpture by Linda S. Fitz Gibbon*, Sierra Arts Foundation Exhibition, Reno, NV
- 2003 *Linda Fitz Gibbon, Recent Work*, Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, OH  
*Linda Fitz Gibbon, Recent Sculpture*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA
- 2001 *Wine, & Woman, & Song*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA
- 1998 *Linda Fitz Gibbon, New Work*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA

## Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2024 *Women's Work*, Pence Gallery, Davis, CA (4/12–5/31)  
*I'm All Clay, You're All Clay*, B. Sakata Garo, Sacramento, CA  
*The Artist in Critique*, Barn Gallery, Woodland, CA
- 2023 *Punch, Crank, Pop!* Katie Applebaum, Linda S. Fitz Gibbon & Brian McNamara, Butte College Art Gallery, Butte  
*In Limbo: Axis Gallery 18<sup>th</sup> National Juried Exhibition*, Sacramento, CA. **Juror:** Emily Zaiden  
*Visions in Clay*, LH Horton Jr Gallery, NCECA venue, San Joaquin Delta College, Stockton, CA. **Juror:** Joan Takayama Ogawa  
*Functional Fall: A Seat at the Table*, Clay Art Center, Portchester, NY. **Juror:** Jessica Putnam Phillips  
*CRC Art Gallery Faculty Exhibition*, Sacramento, CA
- 2022 *Off Center, International Ceramic Competition*, Blue Line Arts, Roseville, CA. **Juror:** Rachel Gotlieb, Crocker Art Museum  
Curator of Ceramics  
*California Clay Competition*, The Artery, **Juror:** Heidi Beckibrede  
*Visions in Clay*, LH Horton Jr Gallery, NCECA venue, San Joaquin Delta College, Stockton, CA. (Also 2010 - 12, 14, 16-19)  
*Tap Roots: Ceramic Artist Educators of Northern California*. Arts Benicia Gallery, NCECA Venue, Benicia, CA  
*Of the Earth*, Kaneko Gallery, NCECA venue, American River College, Sacramento, CA  
*Side By Side*, Gibson House, NCECA venue, Yolo County Historical College, Woodland, CA
- 2021 *Crocker Kingsley*, Blue Line Arts, Roseville, CA. **Juror:** Carrie Lederer  
*Wild Dreams of a New Beginning*, Blue Line Arts, Roseville, CA.
- 2020 *Slice, A Juried Cross-Section of Regional Art*, Pence Gallery, Davis. **Juror:** Hearn Parde  
*Membership Medley*, Blue Line Arts, Roseville, CA. **Award**  
*Craft Nouveau, An International Craft Competition*, Blue Line Arts, Roseville, CA  
*Real/Surreal: Sacramento Artists Explore the Realms of Dream & Reality*. Robert T. Matsui Art Gallery, Sacramento, CA

- 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibition, Artspace 1616, Sacramento, CA
- 2019 *Robots*, JayJay Gallery, Sacramento, CA. **Curator:** Suzanne Adan  
*Surroundings*, The Barn Gallery, YoloArts, Woodland, CA  
 30<sup>th</sup> Annual California Clay Competition, The Artery, Davis, CA. **Juror:** Bill Abright
- 2018 *Plates, Platters, & Nothing Else Matters*, Long Beach Island Foundation of Arts & Sciences, Loveladies, NJ. **Juror:** Roberto Lugo  
 29<sup>th</sup> Annual California Clay Competition, The Artery, Davis, CA. **Juror:** Tiffany Schmierer, **Award**  
 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Beyond the Brickyard, Archie Bray Foundation, Helena, MT. **Juror:** Kristen Morgan  
*By Hand: An International Fine Crafts Biennial*, Blue Line Gallery, Roseville, CA. **Juror:** Brigitte Martin  
*Dimensions: Fine Craft Exhibition*, San Luis Obispo Museum of Art, San Luis Obispo, CA. **Juror:** Peggy Sivert Zask
- 2016 *Picnic: An Exhibit About Food*, Pence Gallery, Davis, CA.
- 2015 *5<sup>th</sup> Annual Ruth Rippon Legacy Show*, Alpha Ceramics, Sacramento, CA.  
*Slice: A Juried Cross-Section of Regional Art*, Pence Gallery, Davis, CA. **Juror:** Shelly Willis  
*Food for Thought: The Artful Plate Project*. YoloArts Commissions Four Artists. Gallery 625, Woodland, CA  
*Passing the Baton, Ceramic Educators Show*, Ridley Gallery, Sierra College, Rocklin, CA
- 2014 *Dimensions 2014, Fine Craft Exhibition*, San Luis Obispo Museum of Art, San Luis Obispo, CA. **Juror:** Carol Sauvion  
*Snap, Crackle, & Pop! Ceramic Sculpture: Linda Fitz Gibbon, Bill Heiderich, Pancho Jiménez*, Art-Is-Davis, Davis, CA
- 2013 *California Sculpture Slam*, San Luis Obispo Museum (SLOMA), San Luis Obispo, CA. **Juror:** Colleen Sterritt  
 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Marge Brown Kalodner Graduate Student Show, The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA.  
*Lesley University MFA Graduate Exhibition*, AIB Main Gallery, Boston, MA  
*Red Lodge Juried National: 2*, Red Lodge Clay Center, Red Lodge, MT. **Juror:** Dan Anderson  
 25<sup>th</sup> Annual, 30 Ceramic Sculptors, John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA (also 8th - 24th)
- 2012 *Slice: A Juried Cross-Section of Regional Art*, Pence Gallery, Davis, CA. **Juror:** Diana Daniels  
*Boston Young Contemporaries*, 808 Commonwealth Gallery, MA. **Jurors:** Steven Zevitas, Gwen Strahle, Steve Locke  
*Flatlanders on the Slant: Fifty Artists Celebrate the Slant Step's 50th Anniversary*, Nelson Gallery, UC Davis, CA. **Curator:** Renny Pritikin & Joy Bertinuson
- 2011 *Ceramics Annual of America*, Fort Mason Festival Hall, San Francisco, CA.  
 ACGA@DAC, 7 Assoc. of Clay & Glass Artists, Davis Arts Center, Davis, CA. **Juror:** Nancy Selvin  
*Shattered, 6<sup>th</sup> Fall National Exhibition*, Marin MoCA, Novato, CA. **Juror:** Kenneth Baker
- 2010 *Innovations in Contemporary Craft*, RAC, Richmond, CA. **Jurors:** Nancy Selvin & Garry Knox Bennett  
*Crystalline Justice*, Spring Resident Artist Exhibition, Anderson Ranch Art Center, Snowmass, CO  
*Fill-adelphia*, Potter's Council NCECA Exhibit, Show of Hands Gallery, Philadelphia, PA. **Juror:** Sherman Hall  
*Beyond the Brickyard*, Archie Bray Foundation, Helena, MT. **Juror:** Wayne Higby.
- 2009 *Out of the Fire: Clay & Glass from ACGA*, Falkirk Center, San Rafael, CA. **Juror:** Dorothy Saxe  
*Food, Feast for the Eyes, From the Permanent Collection*, Arizona State University Art Museum, Tempe, AZ
- 2008 *Frontational Ceramics, All Fired Up!* Westchester County, NY. **Curator:** Judith Schwartz.  
*Flatlanders 2: A Regional Roundup*, The Nelson Gallery, UC Davis, CA. **Curator:** Renny Pritikin  
*Exploring the Surface*, ACGA Artists, Pence Gallery., Davis, CA. **Juror:** Peter VandenBerge
- 2007 *Feats of Clay Alumni Exhibition*, Lincoln Arts Gallery, Lincoln, CA  
*Follow the Line: Traditions Revealed*, ACGA Artists, Pence Gallery, Davis, CA. **Juror:** Bob Brady  
*The California Clay Competition*, The Artery, Davis, CA. **Juror:** Jim Melchert, **Awards**
- 2006 *Aspects of Humanity: Contemporary Portraiture*, Center for Contemporary Art, Sacramento, CA  
*An Affinity for the Cup II*, Exploding Heads Gallery, Sacramento, CA. **Juror:** Linda S. Fitz Gibbon
- 2005 *Platters and Plates: A Blue Plate Special*, Chester Springs Studio, PA. **Curator:** Gail Brown
- 2004 *15th San Angelo National Ceramic Competition*, San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, TX. **Jurors:** Ruth & Rick Snyderman
- 2003 *Ceramics '03*, Guilford Handcraft Center, Guilford, CT. **Juror:** Susan Peterson  
*Feats of Clay, 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Exhibition*, Gladding McBean, Lincoln, CA (also '03, '98, '96)  
*California Plates*, Tierra Solida Clay Art Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA. **Juror:** Otto Heino
- 2002 *Crocker Kingsley 73rd Exhibition*, Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, CA. **Juror:** Gladys Nilsson (also '96)  
*George E. Ohr National Arts Challenge*, Ohr-O'Keefe Museum, Biloxi, MS. **Juror:** Paul Soldner
- 2001 *Objects Considered*, Bedford Gallery, Dean Leshner Center for the Arts, Walnut Creek, CA  
*Viewpoint: Ceramics 2001*, Hyde Gallery, Grossmont College, El Cajon, CA. **Juror:** Jo Lauria
- 2000 *Two Decades of Art*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA

- 1999 *Ceramics '99*, Guilford Handcraft Center, Guilford, CT. **Jurors:** Andrea and John Gill
- 1998 *Wall Works: Steve Braun, Robert Charland, Linda Fitz Gibbon, and Arthur Gonzalez*, SMUD Gallery, Sacramento, CA.  
**Curators:** Linda Fitz Gibbon & Dave Vargo
- 1997 *Ceramic Still Life: The Common Object*, Oliver Art Center, California College of Arts & Crafts, Oakland, CA
- 1996 *Artists on Their Own, 5th Annual Juried Exhibition*, Jane Hartsook Gallery, New York, NY

### Selected Publications

- 2018 ICAN Calendar, *Sculpture Collection*. International Ceramic Artists Network. March. Print
- 2016 Couzens, Julia, "Linda Fitz Gibbon at the Shimo Center for the Arts," *Ceramics Art & Perception*, #102
- 2014 *500 Figures in Clay, Vol. II*. Lark Books, Sterling Publishing Co., NY. Print
- 2005 – '12 *30 Ceramic Sculptors*. John Natsoulas Press, Davis, CA. Print
- 2012 Pritikin, Renny, *Flatlanders on the Slant: Fifty Artists Celebrate the Slant Step's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*. Nelson Gallery, UC Davis, CA. Print
- 2011 *Ceramics Annual of America*. John Natsoulas Press, Davis, CA. Print  
*Potters Council Calendar II, A General Collection of Potters Council Member Work*. November. Print.
- 2008 – '10 *Trompe L'Oeil*. John Natsoulas Press, Davis, CA. Print
- 2008 Schwartz, Judith S., *Confrontational Ceramics*. A&C Black Publishers, London. Print  
Pritikin, Renny, *Flatlanders 2; A Regional Roundup*. Nelson Gallery, UC Davis, CA. Print
- 2004 *500 Figures in Clay, Vol. I*. Lark Books, Sterling Publishing Co., NY. Print  
"Upfront: Linda S. Fitz Gibbon." *Ceramics Monthly*. Dec. Print
- 2003 "Upfront: Linda S. Fitz Gibbon." *Ceramics Monthly*. May. Print  
"Reviews: Linda S. Fitz Gibbon at John Natsoulas Gallery." *Artweek*. May. Print
- 2002 Fitz Gibbon, John. *The Pilot Hill Collection of Contemporary Art*. Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, CA. Print
- 1997 Levin, Elaine. *Ceramic Still Life: The Common Object*. Oliver Art Center, California College of Arts & Crafts, Oakland, CA. Print

### Selected Honors

- 2024 Juror of *Feats of Clay*, Art League of Lincoln
- 2022 Butte College Artist Lecture and Demonstration  
YoloArts Salon Series: Linda Fitz Gibbon in Conversation with Curator Iulia Bodeanu, Yolo County Historical Collection, Gibson House, Woodland, CA  
Curator of *Real-ID*, at the Cosumnes River College Art Gallery, a NCECA venue.  
Artist demonstration and gallery talk, *Visions in Clay*, LH Horton Jr., San Joaquin Delta College, Stockton, CA.
- 2019 Curator of *Empathy* Exhibition & Designer of Community Build Quilt at the Cosumnes River College Art Gallery.  
Guest Speaker, Knowledge @ Noon, YoloArts  
Merit Scholarship, Vermont Studio Center Artist Residency
- 2018 Best of Show, California Clay Competition, The Artery, Davis, CA. **Juror:** Tiffany Schmierer
- 2017 Merit Scholarship, Vermont Studio Center Artist Residency
- 2016 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize, *Visions in Clay*, LH Horton Gallery, San Joaquin Delta College, Stockton, CA. **Juror:** Liz Quackenbush
- 2015 Honorable Mention, *Slice: A Juried Cross-Section of Regional Art*, Pence Gallery, Davis, CA. **Juror:** Shelly Willis  
Juror of ACGA: *Ceramics in Focus*, annual ACGA ceramic exhibition, Tsa Gallery, Davis Arts Center, Davis, CA
- 2013-2015 Secretary, Nelson/Shrem ArtFriends Board, Nelson Gallery, UC Davis, CA
- 2014 Demonstration & Artist Talk, California Art Education Association Conference, Sacramento, CA  
Certificate of Appreciation for Promoting Excellence in Visual Arts Education, California Art Education Association
- 2011-'13 Merit Scholarships, Lesley University College of Art & Design MFA in Visual Arts Program
- 2012 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize, *Slice: A Juried Cross-Section of Regional Art*, Pence Gallery, Davis, CA. **Juror:** Diana Daniels
- 2011 Guest Speaker & Demo, *Visiting Artist Lecture Series*, Richmond Art Center, Richmond, CA
- 2010 Guest Speaker and demo, Fall Lecture Series: *Funk & Figure*. American River College, Sacramento, CA  
Community Artist Award, Pence Gallery, Davis, CA  
Spring Artist Residency, Anderson Ranch Art Center Snowmass, CO
- 2007 Best of Show, Purchase Prize, *The California Clay Competition*, Artery, Davis, CA. **Juror:** Jim Melchert
- 1999 Guest Speaker, California Conference for the Advancement of Ceramic Art (CCACA), Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA

**Grants & Commissions**

- 2024 *Bountiful Voyager*, a 7 ft. ceramic sculpture, commissioned for California State Library, Permanent Collection
- Bee's Knees*, a 7 ft. ceramic figure on 3 ft. mosaic base to be installed outside the Woodland Public Library
- 2015 *Artful Plate* Commission, Season 2, YoloArts and reproduction of limited-edition dinnerware plates
- 2010 Art & Ag, Farmer's Market Commission. YoloArts & James Irvine Foundation.  
Private commission, "Spirit of St. Louis" wall sculpture
- 2009 Commission for three ceramic wall works, Lodi Memorial Hospital, Lodi, CA.
- 2007 Commission for ceramic mural, Plant Plaza, 5th & G Streets, Davis. Yackzan Group  
Arlynne Crandall Memorial Commission, Davis Senior High School Art Department
- 2006 City of Davis Art Contract, ceramic /mosaic bench, Explorit Science Center, Davis with Lucy Ruth Wright Rivers
- 2005 Commission, Colusa Child Development Center: building numbers, classroom plates, mosaic mural. McCandless  
& Assoc., Architects

**\*Museum Collections**

Crocker Art Museum, UC Davis Manetti Shrem Museum of Art, Butler Institute of American Art, Arizona State University Museum – Tempe, Yale University Art Gallery