

# Laura D. Vélez

## EDUCATION

- 2007** M.F.A., Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
- 2005** B.F.A., Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, LA
- 2003** New York Art Students League, New York, NY
- 2003** New York Academy of Art, Continuing Education Program, New York, NY
- 2001** New Orleans Center for the Creative Arts, New Orleans, LA

## EXPERIENCE

- 2007 - Current** Professional Artist
- 2025 - Current** 2D- Visual Arts Instructor, New Orleans Center for the Creative Arts, New Orleans, LA
- 2021 - 2025** Visitors Services Assistant, Historic New Orleans Collection, New Orleans, LA
- 2013 - 2017** Gallery Maintenance, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 2010 - 2017** Mural Painter, Mural Arts Program, Philadelphia, PA
- 2012 - 2013** Collections Move Assistant, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 2009 - 2012** Drawing Foundations and Painting Instructor, Philly Art Center, Fairmount and Queens Village location, Philadelphia, PA
- 2007 - 2009** Conservation Technician, Milner and Carr Conservation, DE; Elizabeth, NJ
- 2008** Collections Move Assistant, Williamstown Arts Conservation Center, Baton Rouge, LA
- 2008** Conservation Technician, Contractor working with John Canning Painting and Conservation Studios, Philadelphia, PA; Washington D.C.
- 2007 - 2008** Conservation Technician, Contractor working with Adam Jenkins Conservation Services, Philadelphia, PA
- 2007** Studio Assistant, Osvaldo Romberg, Philadelphia, PA

## EXHIBITIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

### GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023** Paul Maillard Business and Arts Initiative, Luling, LA
- 2022** Portent, The Front Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 2021** And Now for Something New Vol.3, Lemieux Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 2020** I Close my eyes, The Front Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 2020** Full Color, A NOCCA Alum Painting Show, New Orleans, LA
- 2020** African American and Latin American Artists, 3014, St. Claude Ave, New Orleans, LA
- 2019** The 13th Annual Louisiana Fine Arts Showcase, Hammond, LA
- 2019** USM National Juried Painting Exhibition, Honorable Mention, Hattiesburg, MS
- 2019** Cerulean Arts Gallery, Philadelphia PA
- 2018** Real to Not Real: What we see as Paint, Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA
- 2018** Hispanic Women Making Art, Creative Empowerment and Identity, Mexican Consulate, New Orleans, LA
- 2018** Summer Nights Art Show, Pop-up Event, Luling, LA
- 2012** Drawing Exhibition, The Philadelphia Sketch Club, Philadelphia, PA
- 2011** Young Philadelphia Artist, The Philadelphia Sketch Club, Philadelphia, PA
- 2008** Slought Foundation, Group Show, Philadelphia, PA

**2008** Blink Gallery, Group Show, Philadelphia, PA

**2007** M.F.A. Thesis Exhibition, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Recipient of the Eagles and Angels Award, Philadelphia, PA

**2006** Connective Tissue, Invitational Group Show, School District of Philadelphia, PA

**2006** Fellowship Sponsored All Academy Open Exhibition, Student Gallery, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA

**2006** Annexing Tradition Exhibition, Pure Gallery, Harrisburg, PA

**2006** Graduate Program Student Exhibition, Student Gallery, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA

**2005** M.F.A. & Post-Baccalaureate Program Student Exhibition, 1301 Gallery, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA

## SOLO EXHIBITION

**2011** Permission: Solo Exhibition, Cabrini College, Radnor, PA

## PUBLICATIONS, AWARDS

**2019** The 13th Annual Louisiana Fine Arts Showcase Publication, Hammond, LA

**2019** USM National Juried Painting Exhibition Publication, Hattiesburg, MS

**2019** USM National Juried Painting Exhibition, Honorable Mention, Hattiesburg, MS

**2018** Real to Not Real: What we see as Paint Catalogue, Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA

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