

K e l l i N e l s o n

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CV

Education

- 2013 **MFA** Visual Studies, **Minneapolis College of Art and Design**, Minneapolis, MN
Painting/Drawing Emphasis
- 2010 **BFA** Visual Arts, **University of North Dakota**, Grand Forks, ND
Painting Emphasis *Minor: Art History*

Exhibitions

- 2019 *25 Years Out: MCAD MFA Alumni Exhibition*, MCAD MFA Studios and Gallery,
Minneapolis, MN
- 2018 *Autumn Art Auction*, North Dakota Museum of Art, Grand Forks, ND
Mixed Media: The Faculty Show, Gordon Parks Gallery, Metropolitan State
University, Saint Paul, MN
Solo Exhibition, *The Other Side of Nowhere (selected works)*, Ecce Art Gallery,
Fargo, ND
Solo Exhibition, *The Other Side of Nowhere*, Silverwood Park, St. Anthony, MN
TAG, The Sunshine Hospitality Home, Grand Forks, ND
This Week Only, North Dakota Museum of Art, Grand Forks, ND
- 2017 **Solo Exhibition**, *Kelli Nelson: New Paintings*, Ecce Art Gallery, Fargo, ND
TAG, North Dakota Museum of Art, Grand Forks, ND
Autumn Art Auction, North Dakota Museum of Art, Grand Forks, ND
- 2016 *Newvember*, Ecce Art Gallery, Fargo, ND
Autumn Art Auction, North Dakota Museum of Art, Grand Forks, ND
MCAD Faculty Biennial, Minneapolis College of Art and Design, Minneapolis,
MN
Solo Exhibition, North Dakota State Capitol Building, Bismarck, ND
Solo Exhibition, *Kelli Nelson: New Paintings*, Ecce Art Gallery, Fargo, ND
- 2015 *Newvember*, Ecce Art Gallery, Fargo, ND
TAG, Altru Professional Building, Grand Forks, ND
Solo Exhibition, *Kelli Nelson: New Paintings*, Ecce Art Gallery, Fargo, ND

- 2014 *Newvember*, Ecce Art Gallery, Fargo, ND
TAG, Icon Building, Grand Forks, ND
Faculty Show, Laura H. Miles Gallery, Minnetonka Center for the Arts,
 Wayzata, MN
- 2013 *Autumn Art Auction*, North Dakota Museum of Art, Grand Forks, ND
Visual Storage: 2013 MCAD MFA Thesis Exhibition, Northrup King Building,
 Minneapolis, MN
Made at MCAD, Minneapolis College of Art and Design, Minneapolis, MN
- 2012 *Frank*, Whittier Studios, Minneapolis, MN
- 2011 *Show and Tell*, Whittier Studios, Minneapolis, MN
- 2010 **Solo Exhibition**, *Kelli Nelson: Drawings and Paintings*, Col. Eugene Myers Art
 Gallery, Grand Forks, ND
Mixed Media and More, Urban Stampede, Grand Forks, ND
Six-way Stop, North Dakota Museum of Art Cafe, Grand Forks, ND
Group Show, Art Students Collective, Col. Eugene E Myers Art Gallery,
 Grand Forks, ND

Teaching Experience

- 2018 **Community Faculty, Metropolitan State University**, Minneapolis, MN
Introduction to Drawing, Independent Study: Painting
- 2017 **Assistant Adjunct Professor, College of Saint Benedict**, Saint Joseph, MN
Introduction to Painting
- 2015 - 2017 **Adjunct Faculty, Minneapolis College of Art and Design**, Minneapolis, MN
Foundation: Drawing 1, Foundation: Drawing 2
- 2013 - 2014 **Instructor, Minnetonka Center for the Arts**, Minnetonka and Wayzata, MN
Drawing Studio, Drawing Basics, Introduction to Painting
- 2012 **Teaching Assistant, Minneapolis College of Art and Design**, Minneapolis, MN
Painting: Materials and Techniques

Workshops Taught

- 2017 - 2018 **Instructor, Abstract Painting**, Minnetonka Center for the Arts Outreach:
 NW Suburban High School Conference, Wayzata, MN
- 2014 - 2015 **Instructor, Figure Drawing**, Minnetonka Center for the Arts Outreach: NW
 Suburban High School Conference, Wayzata, MN

Visiting Artist Lectures/Critiques

2015 **Guest Lecturer/Visiting Artist, Augsburg College**, Minneapolis, MN

Awards/Grants/Scholarships

2019 **Artist Initiative Grant**, Minnesota State Arts Board, Saint Paul, MN

2011 - 2013 **MCAD Trustees Scholarship**, Minneapolis College of Art and Design

2011 - 2013 **MFA Opportunity Grant**, Minneapolis College of Art and Design

2010 **Juror's Award: Honorable Mention**, Art Students Collective Annual Group Show, Col. Eugene Myers Art Gallery, Grand Forks, ND

2009 **Juror's Award: 2nd Place**, Art Students Collective Annual Group Show, Col. Eugene Myers Art Gallery, Grand Forks, ND

Residencies

2016 - 2017 **Artist-in-Residence, McCanna House , North Dakota Museum of Art**, McCanna, ND (August 1 - 22, 2016) (July 3 - 21, 2017)

Volunteer

2013 - 2014 **Art Adventure Volunteer, Minneapolis Institute of Art**, Minneapolis, MN

Bibliography and Publications

"A Brave Stroke of Paint," *Inspired Home Magazine*. January/February 2019. 20-25.

"Kelli Nelson at Silverwood Park," *MCAD MFA*, <https://www.mcad-mfa.com/alumni-highlight-kelli-nelson-at-silverwood-park/>. July 19, 2018.

Eileen Cohen. "Interviews with Artists: The Creative Process and Connection to Nature." <https://www.threeriversparks.org/blog/interviews-artists-creative-process-and-connection-nature>. Aug. 6, 2018.

Autumn Art Auction Catalog, Vol 18, 19, 20, North Dakota Museum of Art, Grand Forks, ND. September 2016, September 2017, October 2018.

Ashley Thorpe. "North Dakota Native Artist's Works on Display," *The Bismarck Tribune*. July 10, 2016.

"The Art Issue: From Canvas to Clay," *Design & Living Magazine*. June 2016. 58-59.

"MFA Alum Kelli Nelson: New Paintings," *MCAD MFA*. <http://www.mcad-mfa.com/mfa-alum-kelli-nelson-new-paintings/>. May 19, 2016.

Sarah Nour. "Kelli Nelson Solo Show at Ecce Art Gallery," *The Arts Partnership*. <http://theartspartnership.net>. May 12, 2016.

Forum, Fargo, ND. March 22, 2015.

Visually Speaking: Minnetonka Center for the Arts Winter Catalog, "(Un)learn," Wayzata, MN. 2014.

Autumn Art Auction Catalog, Vol 15, North Dakota Museum of Art, Grand Forks, ND. 2013.

Visual Storage: Master of Fine Arts in Visual Studies Catalog, Modern Press, New Brighton, MN. 2013.

Herald, "No Exit," Grand Forks, ND. January 8, 2011.

Herald, *Galleries: 'Brand it'... 'Drawings and Paintings'...etc*, Grand Forks, ND. April 23, 2010.

UND Student GROUP SHOW Exhibition Catalog, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND. Spring 2010.

Collections

University of North Dakota Permanent Art Collection

Gallery Affiliations

Represented by Ecce Art Gallery, Fargo, ND