

Chelsea Bighorn

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Education

- 2024 Master of Fine Arts, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Fiber and Material Studies
- 2021 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Institute of American Indian Arts, Studio Arts: Painting
- 2017 Associate of Arts, Mesa Community College, Art and General Studies

Selected Group Exhibitions

Upcoming **Ground Floor: Hyde Park Art Center**, Chicago, IL

- 2024 **Piel con Piel**, Atlanta Contemporary Art Center, Atlanta, GA
- The Sky You Were Born Under: Sharing Stories Through Abstraction**, Catharine Clark Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- SACBE: Pathways of Connection**, Evanston Art Center, Evanston IL
- Graduate Exhibition Two**, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- EXPO Chicago, Center for Native Futures booth**, Chicago, IL
- 2023 **Native Futures**, Center for Native Futures, Chicago, IL
- Fiber Freaks**, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- A Space Remains**, SITE Galleries, Chicago, IL
- IMPRINT: Weaving American Indian Stories**, Arts HQ Gallery, Surprise, AZ
- 2022 **SITE Scholars**, SITE Santa Fe Museum, Santa Fe, NM
- FIRST: Native American Arizona Artists**, Scottsdale Civic Center Public Gallery, Scottsdale, AZ
- 2021 **We Went Wild: BFA Exhibition** -Juried show, Museum of Contemporary Native Art, Santa Fe, NM
- Reemergence: BFA Show** – Institute of American Indian Arts Balzar Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- Monochromatic Rainbow**, Joesphe Arnoux/Chelsea Bighorn, Vital Spaces, Santa Fe, NM
- 2017 **InFlux AZ**, Public art installation, Scottsdale Pavilions, Scottsdale, Az

Solo Exhibitions

Upcoming **Dittmar Memorial Gallery**, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

- 2024 **Cultures in Balance**, Saint Lukes Episcopal Church, Evanston, IL
- 2022 **Chelsea Bighorn**, Satin I Reichman Memorial Art Gallery, Santa Fe, NM

Residencies

- 2024 Chicago Artist Coalition Residency
- 2024 Saguaro National Parks Residency
- 2024 Penland School of Craft, Winter Residency

Awards

- 2023 AICAD Fellow Nominee
- 2023 Penland School of Craft Fellowship
- 2021 SITE Scholar, SITE Santa Fe
- 2023-24 CAA Foundation Scholarship
- 2022-23 Synchrony Tribal Scholarship Program
- 2022-23 Native Forward Graduate Scholarship
- 2020-24 Fort Peck Higher Education Scholarship

Lectures/Presentations

- 2024 Artist Talk, Saint Lukes Episcopal Church, Evanston, IL
- Artist Talk, The Mitchell Museum of the American Indian
- Artist Talk, Center for Native Futures
- 2023 Guest Speaker, Identities class, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- "Fringe", Graduate lecture, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- "From Cans to Cones", Graduate lecture, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- 2021 Museum of Contemporary Native Arts Artist Panel, Santa Fe, NM

Press/Bibliography

- 2024 **Big Blend Radio**, "Chelsea Bighorn in Saguaro National Park"
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5I5Kkpx-HHg>
- F News Magazine**, "I Hope We Feel Like This Forever-ever," May Issue, pg 6
https://fnewsmagazine.com/backissues/#flipbook-issue_2024_05_May/
- 2023 **Forbes**, "Center for Native Futures Gallery Opening in Chicago"
<https://www.forbes.com/sites/chaddscott/2023/09/12/center-for-native-futures-gallery-opening-in-chicago/?sh=7b304d75740e>
- Sixty Inches from Center**, "Native Futures: An Artist Led Gallery Reclaiming Indigeneity"
<https://sixtyinchesfromcenter.org/native-futures-an-artist-led-gallery-reclaiming-indigeneity/>
- Art Design Chicago**, "Native Futures"
<https://artdesignchicago.org/event/native-futures/>
- 2022 **Phoenix Home and Garden Magazine**, October/November Print Issue
- 2021 **Institute of American Indian Arts Anthology**
<https://anthology.iaia.edu/chelsea-bighorn/>

Work Experience

2024-25 Adjunct Professor, Institute of American Indian Arts, Santa Fe, NM

2022-23 Teacher's Assistant at The School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Kate Smith, Sculptural Basketweaving (Spring '24)

Andrea Peterson, Natural Papermaking (Summer '23)

Amy Yoes, 3D Screens: Print into Sculpture (Fall '22 and '23)

2021-22 Journey Home Internship with artist Erica Lord, Santa Fe, NM

2021 Mural Assistant to Crystal Worl, Juneau, AK