

CV Riley Sims

Education

2024–2026 Master of Fine Arts (Painting) Kent State University

2019–2023 Bachelor of Arts (Painting Concentration, Art History Minor) Ball State University;
Cum Laude

Exhibitions

2026 MFA Thesis Exhibition, *Swipe of a Finger*, CVA Gallery, Kent State University, Kent, OH

2025 Group Exhibition, University President Residence, Juried by Anderson Turner, Kent, OH

2025 Group Exhibition, College Invitational, Indy Arts Center, Indianapolis, IN

2023 Thesis Exhibition, *A Single Tick*, The Ned and Gloria Griner Gallery, Ball State University

2023 Group Exhibition, Annual Juried Student Art Show, The Ned and Gloria Griner Gallery,
Ball State University

2023 Group Exhibition, *Salon Des Refusés*, Great Wall, Art and Journalism Building, Ball State
University

2022 Virtual Exhibition, *Lyme Disease Art Gallery*, Project Lyme

2022 Group Exhibition, *The Art of Emerging Artists*, Hamilton County Community Foundation,
Fishers Arts Council, Fishers, IN

2022 Group Exhibition, *60” on Center*, Great Wall, Art and Journalism Building, Ball State
University

2022 Group Exhibition, *Salon Des Refusés*, Great Wall, Art and Journalism Building, Ball State
University

2022 Group Exhibition, *Incoming Freshman*, The Ned and Gloria Griner Gallery, Ball State
University

Scholarships and Awards

2019–2023 Sursa Fine Arts Scholarship, Ball State University

2023 Painting Area Juror Award, Annual Juried Student Art Show (Juror: Seth Green), Ball State
University

2023 Outstanding Senior Art Student in Painting Award, School of Art, Ball State University

2024 Best in 2D Award, College Invitational, Indy Arts Center, Indianapolis, IN

Grants

2026 Graduate Student Senate Research Award, Kent State University, Kent, OH

2025 Graduate Student Senate Research Award, Kent State University, Kent, OH

Partnerships

2024–Present Artist Partner, *ArtLifting*

Publications

2024 *Nr. 21*, Suboart Magazine

2024 *101 Contemporary Artists and More*, Collect Art (5th Edition),

2024 *Riley Sims: Colors of Resilience*, Public Health Landscape (October Issue)

2023 *Fishers artist expresses struggle with Lyme disease in senior exhibition at Ball State*,
Hamilton County Reporter, Access Date: May 4, 2023

2023 *Her paintings focus on her personal experience with Lyme disease*, LymeDisease.org,
Access Date: May 15, 2023

2022 *The Artist Sense*, Ball Bearings (Fall Issue)

2022 *Lyme Disease Art Gallery*, Project Lyme, Access Date: September 7, 2022

2022 *Emerging artists on display in Fishers*, Hamilton County Reporter, Access Date:
November 26, 2022