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## SELECTED SOLO & TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 **Social Justice Art Gallery, Daemen University, *Toyology 2.0***, Amherst, NY
- 2021 **The Buffalo Zoo, *Plastic Muskie***, Buffalo, NY
- 2019 **Glenn & Awdry Flickenger Arts Center, Nichols School, *A Rising Tide***, Buffalo, NY
- 2017 **Studio Hart, *CODA*** (with David Buck and Bob Collignon), Buffalo, NY
- 716-GAL-LERY, Larkinville, *The Secret Life of City Crows***, Buffalo, NY
- 2016 **Peter A. and Mary Lou Vogt Art Gallery, Canisius College, *Discarded Ancestors***, Buffalo, NY
- 2015 **Octagon Gallery, Patterson Library, *Crossings***, (with Ann Parker), Westfield, NY
- 2013 **Larkin at Exchange Gallery, *Out of the Rust-Belt***, Buffalo, NY
- 2011 **WNY Book Arts Center, *A Sense of Place***, (with Amy Greenan), Buffalo, NY
- Niagara County Community College, *Troubled Waters***, Sanborn, NY
- 2010 **Center for Coastal Studies, *Troubled Waters***, Provincetown, MA
- 2009 **Bis4Books, *Little Adventures***, Orchard Park, NY
- Garret Club, *An Outsider's View***, Buffalo, NY
- 2008 **C.G. Jung Gallery, *The Underground River***, Buffalo, NY

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 **Buffalo Arts Studio, *Live On Five 2023***, Buffalo, NY
- 2022 **River Art Gallery, *Animal Kingdom Exhibition***, North Tonawanda, NY
- Buffalo History Museum, *Paint the Town***, Buffalo, NY
- BAM! Buffalo Society of Artists 126th Catalogue Exhibition**, Buffalo, NY
- Hallwalls Contemporary Arts Center, *48th Members Exhibition***, Buffalo, NY
- 2021 **Buffalo Arts Studio, *Studio Artist Show & Sale***, Buffalo, NY
- 2020 **Castellani Art Museum, Niagara University, *20/20 Vision: Women Artists in Western New York***, Niagara, NY
- Carnegie Art Center Buffalo Society of Artists Spring Exhibition**, North Tonawanda, NY
- Hallwalls Contemporary Arts Center, *46th Members Exhibition***, Buffalo, NY
- 2019 **Sisti Gallery, Buffalo Society of Artists 125th Catalogue Exhibition**, Pendleton, NY
- River Art Gallery, *Mixed Media***, North Tonawanda, NY
- 2018 **Rochester Contemporary Art Center, *6x6x2018***, Rochester, NY

- 2017 **Schenectady County Historical Society**, *Life on the Canal Then By Artists Now*, Schenectady, NY  
**Erie Canal Museum**, *Life on the Canal Then By Artists Now*, Syracuse, NY  
**Erie Canal Museum**, *Hidden Perspectives: Women's Lives on the Erie Canal*, Syracuse, NY  
**El Museo**, *Incivility: A Visual Response*, Buffalo, NY  
**River Art Gallery**, *Winter Exhibition*, North Tonawanda, NY
- 2016 **Castellani Art Museum, Niagara University**  
*Buffalo Society of Artists 120th Catalogue Exhibition*, Niagara, NY  
**River Art Gallery**, *People & Places*, North Tonawanda, NY  
**Niagara Arts & Cultural Center (NACC)**, *Upcycling*, Niagara Falls, NY  
**Sugar City Gallery**, *The Belt Line: Hiding in Plain Sight (Instagram Wall)*, Buffalo, NY  
**Meibohm Fine Arts Gallery**, *Thumb Box Exhibit*, Buffalo Society of Artists, East Aurora, NY  
**Hallwalls Contemporary Art Center**, *Hallwalls 2016 Members Exhibition*, Buffalo, NY  
**716-GAL-LERY, Larkinvill**, *Christmas in the Phone Booth*, Buffalo, NY
- 2015 **Smithsonian Institute Traveling Exhibition**, *GYRE, The Plastic Ocean:*  
**David J. Sencer CDC Museum**, Atlanta, Georgia, GA  
**USC Fisher Museum of Art**, Los Angeles, CA  
**San Jose State University Thompson Gallery**, San Jose, CA  
**Bridge Gallery, Denver Seminary**, *Creation Care: Water*, Littleton, CO  
**Tri-Main Center**, *Trimania*, Buffalo, NY  
**Quintus Gallery**, *Invitational Exhibition*, Watkins Glen, NY
- 2014 **Anchorage Museum**, *GYRE, The Plastic Ocean*, Anchorage Alaska  
**ECHO Art Fair**, Buffalo, NY  
**Burchfield Penney Art Center**, *Displacement: Barge Prototype*, Buffalo, NY  
**Silo City**, *Reclaimed City*, Buffalo, NY  
**Buffalo Arts Studio**, *Buffalo Society of Artists Exhibition*, Buffalo, NY
- 2013 **Whitdel Arts**, *The Bitters "Fuck It"* Detroit, MI  
**Karpeles Manuscript Library Museum**, *Buffalo Society of Artists Spring Exhibition*, Buffalo, NY  
**Silo City**, *City of Night*, Buffalo, NY  
**CEPA Gallery**, *Visions of Greater Buffalo*, Buffalo, NY  
**Niagara Power Vista**, *New York Power Authority Earth Day*, Lewiston, NY  
**Tri-Main Center**, *Trimania*, Buffalo, NY  
**Kenan Center**, *Buffalo Society of Artists Fall Exhibition*, Lockport, NY  
**Hallwalls Contemporary Art Center**, *Members Exhibition*, Buffalo, NY
- 2012 **Community Folk Arts Center**, *TONY, The Other New York – State-Wide Biennial*, Syracuse, NY  
**Burchfield Penney Art Center**, *The Artists Among Us*, Buffalo, NY  
**Olean Public Gallery**, *Trio*, Olean NY  
**Big Orbit Gallery**, *Buffalo Society of Artists Exhibition*, Buffalo, NY  
**Marion Art Gallery, Rockefeller Arts Center, Fredonia State College**, *MARK11/2012*, Fredonia, NY  
**C.G.Jung Center**, *Conditional Change Invitational*, Buffalo, NY

- 2011 **5th Annual Marine Debris Conference**, Honolulu, Hawaii  
**CENCIA Symposium**, *Marine Debris Conference*, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA  
**Statler Towers**, *Art + Preservation*, Buffalo, NY  
**Impact Artists Gallery**, *Art & Healing*, Buffalo, NY  
**Buffalo & Erie County Library**, *Western New York Artists Group*, Buffalo, NY  
**Tri-Main Center**, *Trimania*, Buffalo, NY
- 2010 **Blink Gallery**, *Robot 1.0*, Buffalo, NY  
**464 Gallery**, *Beyond the Multitudes*, Buffalo, NY  
**Hallwalls Contemporary Arts Center**, *Faster Pussycat, Spill! Spill!*, Buffalo, NY  
**Laredo Community College**, *Rivers & Bridges International Mail Art Exhibit*, Laredo, TX  
**WNY Book Arts Center**, *Members Exhibit*, Buffalo, NY  
**Springville Center for the Arts**, *Regional Exhibit*, Springville, NY  
**Rochester Contemporary Art Center**, *6x6x2010*, Rochester, NY  
**Tri-Main Center**, *Industrial Strength Artists*, Buffalo, NY
- 2009 **Ovenden Contemporary Limited**, *SELF*, Cambridgeshire, England  
**Crossing Art Gallery**, *Oh Cow!*, Queens, NY  
**Caladan Gallery**, *Dreaming in Pursuit of Memory*, Cambridge, MA  
**Albright-Knox Art Gallery**, *Regional Artists Collection*, Buffalo, NY  
**Pen and Brush Gallery**, *In Your Dreams*, New York, NY  
**WNY Artist Group**, **Art Dialogue Gallery**, *Think Green*, Buffalo, NY  
**Hallwalls Contemporary Arts Center**, *Status Update*, Buffalo, NY  
**464 Gallery**, *Doors Closed*, Buffalo, NY
- 2008 **Gallery 435**, *Buffalo/Hamilton Artist Exchange*, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada  
**Impact Gallery**, *Art, Healing and Mental Health Exhibition*, Buffalo, NY  
**WNY Artist Group**, **Art Dialogue Gallery**, *4th Annual National Small Works Exhibition*, Buffalo, NY  
**Albright-Knox Art Gallery**, *Regional Artists Collection*, Buffalo, NY  
**Tri-Main Center**, *Trimania*, Buffalo, NY  
**Hallwalls Contemporary Arts Center**, *Karma Cab Boa*, Buffalo, NY
- 2007 **Burchfield Penney Art Center**, *The Artists Among Us*, Buffalo, NY  
**Rhonda Schaller Studio**, *Crossroads Exhibition*, Chelsea District, New York, NY  
**Creative Arts Center**, *National Pastels Only Exhibition*, Chatham, MA  
**Albright-Knox Art Gallery**, *Regional Artists Collection*, Buffalo, NY  
**Market Street Art Center**, *Buffalo-Niagara Art Association Annual Exhibition*, Lockport, NY  
**Allan Street Hardware Cafe**, *October Surprise – Restoring the Trees of Buffalo*, Buffalo, NY
- 2006 **Partners in Art Gallery**, *Buffalo Niagara Art Association Exhibition*, Tonawanda, NY  
**Creative Arts Center**, *National Pastels Only Exhibition*, Chatham, MA

## **PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT**

- 2021 **The Buffalo Zoo**, *The Plastic Muskie*, Permanent installation through a grant from Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Buffalo, NY

## **PUBLIC SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS, EVENTS & TEACHING**

- 2020 **Burchfield Penney Art Center**, 2 Day workshop, *Transforming Artifacts - Found Treasures of Our Lives*, Buffalo, NY  
**Canisius College**, *'Discarded Ancestors' Book launch and talk*, Buffalo, NY
- 2019 **Hallwalls Contemporary Arts Center**, *Members Exhibition Artist Talk*, Buffalo, NY
- 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021 Various book fairs including:  
**Kids' Expo**, Buffalo Convention Center,  
**History Pavillion Event**, Erie County Fair, Hamburg, NY  
**Indie Author Day**, Buffalo & Erie County Public Library  
**Local Author Fair**, Audubon Library, Amherst, NY  
**Annual Author Fair**, The Buffalo History Museum  
**LE3 Event (Locally Enriching Education Experiences)**, Barnes & Noble, Amherst, NY  
**Buffalo Schools**, *Black Rock Historical Society, Art as History, Contest and Presentation*, Buffalo, NY
- 2016 **Castellani Art Museum, Niagara University**, *Buffalo Society of Artists Salon Speakers Series*, Niagara Falls NY  
**Carnegie Art Center**, *Buffalo Society of Artists Publication Production for Visual and Literary Artists*, North Tonawanda, NY
- 2015 **Buffalo Schools**, *Black Rock Historical Society, Art as History, Contest and Presentation*, Buffalo, NY
- 2014 **Burchfield Penney Art Center**, *Scajaquada Creek Talks II, Art in the Service of Public Education*, Buffalo, NY  
**Larkin Square**, *A Celebration of Local Authors*, Buffalo, NY
- 2013 **Hallwalls Contemporary Arts Center**, *Mid-Winter's Draw*, Buffalo, NY  
**Tri-Main Center**, *Collage Workshop for Art Teachers, NYSATA Annual Conference*, Buffalo, NY
- 2012 **Everson Museum**, *The Lure of the Local (Part of TONY – The Other New York)*, Syracuse, NY
- 2011 **Western New York Book Arts Center**, *A Sense of Place*, Buffalo, NY
- 2009 **Garret Club**, *An Outsider's View*, Buffalo, NY
- 2008 **C.G. Jung Gallery**, *Active Imagination and the Creation of Images*, Buffalo, NY
- 1996/8 **Buffalo State College**, *Lecturer, Visual Communications Courses I & II*, Buffalo, NY

## **VISITING ARTIST RESIDENCY**

- 2004 **El Alto, Bolivia**, *Teatro Trono Children's Mural Project*

## **AWARDS**

- 2017 **River Art Gallery**, *Best of Show, Winter Exhibit*
- 2016 **Niagara Arts & Cultural Center (NACC)**, *Third Place, 'Upcycling,'* Niagara Falls, NY
- 2014 **Silo City**, *People's Choice Award, 'Reclaimed City'*, Buffalo, NY
- 2011 **New York Foundation for the Arts**, *Selected as a MARK Participant*
- 2009 **Carnegie Art Center**, *Honorable Mention, Members Show*, North Tonawanda, NY
- 2007 **Creative Arts Center**, *Airfloat Systems Award, National Pastels Only Exhibition*, Chatham, MA
- 2006 **Creative Arts Center**, *Great American Artworks Award, National Pastels Only Exhibition*, Chatham, MA

## **BOOKS**

- 2020 *Discarded Ancestors*, The Intersection of Art and Ancestry, City of Light Publishing, Buffalo, NY
- 2015 *Max Meets the Mayor*, Children's Picture Book illustrations, Author, Mark Goldman, Buffalo, NY
- 2007 *Buffalo Snow*, Children's Picture Book, writing and illustration, Western New York Wares, Buffalo, NY

## CATALOGS AND MEDIA

- 2020 *An Artful History*, Buffalo Spree Magazine, Buffalo, NY
- 2017 *Creative Spaces, The Western New York Artist Studio Project*, By Richard W. Christian and Steve H. Siegel
- 2014 *GYRE, The Plastic Ocean*, Anchorage Museum, Alaska, Booth-Clibborn Editions, London  
*Buffalo Society of Artists Spring Show*, Artvoice Newspaper, Buffalo, NY
- 2012 *The Upstate of the Arts*, Central New York Magazine, Syracuse, NY  
*Tony, The Other New York*, Catalog, Syracuse, NY  
*Art Buff*, Buffalo Rising, Buffalo, NY
- 2011 *A Sense of Place*, Artvoice Newspaper, Buffalo, NY
- 2009 *Oh Cow!*, Crossing Art Gallery Catalog, Queens, NY  
*SELF*, Ovenden Contemporary Limited Catalog, Ely, Cambridgeshire, England
- 2007 *Buffalo Snow, Through the Eyes of a Child*, Buffalo Rising, Buffalo, NY  
*Crossroads Exhibition*, Rhonda Schaller Studio Catalog, NYC, NY

## COLLECTIONS

Aquarium of Niagara, Niagara Falls, NY

Black Rock Historical Society, Buffalo, NY

Buffalo & Erie County Public Library, Buffalo, NY

Canisius College, Buffalo, NY

Erie Canal Museum, Syracuse, NY

Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, NY

Garret Club, Buffalo, NY

Patterson Library, Westfield, NY

Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Buffalo, NY

Salem Storybook Museum, Salem, Ohio

Tri-Main Center, Buffalo, NY

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## EDUCATION

- M.F.A. Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY, 1977
- B.F.A. Massachusetts College of Art, Boston, MA, 1972