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## Education

- 2018 - 2019** Emerson College, MA Candidate, Civic Media: Art and Practice  
MA Expected Summer 2019
- 2003 - 2007** Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Boston, MA  
BFA Painting, Graduation with Honors and Distinction
- 2001 - 2003** C.W. Post, Long Island University, Brookville, NY  
Concentration in Theater

## Solo Exhibitions

- 2019** *Underline*, RSM Art Gallery, Bentley University, Waltham, MA (forthcoming, August 2019)
- 2016** *Lines and Vines*, Boston Children's Museum Art Gallery, Boston, MA
- 2013** *To the Heart of It*, FP3 Gallery, Boston, MA  
*An Apple A Day*, Factory 63, Boston, MA
- 2012** *Recent Works on Paper*, Center for Arts Natick, Natick, MA  
*Happiness Lives Here*, Accidental Gallery, Boston, MA  
*Ordinary Bliss*, SoPas Gallery, South Pasadena, CA
- 2011** *Welcome*, Newton Free Library, Newton, MA  
*Homescapes*, Made in Fort Point Cooperative, Boston, MA  
*Peering In*, The Mayor's Gallery, Boston City Hall, Boston, MA
- 2007** *Of Grateful Intentions*, Monroe C. Gutman Library, Harvard Graduate School of Education  
Cambridge, MA

## Grants & Awards

- 2017** Boston's Best Creative Catalyst Award, Improper Bostonian
- 2016** Creative City Grant, New England Foundation for the Arts
- 2014** Honorable Mention, Boston Public Space Invitational, The Mayor's Office of  
New Urban Mechanics  
Fort Point Public Art Series Grant, Fort Point Channel Operations Board
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Vermont Studio Center Artist Grant, Johnson, VT
- 2012** Fort Point Public Art Series Grant, Fort Point Arts Community
- 2010** Fort Point Public Art Series Grant, New England Foundation for the Arts  
Haystack Mountain School Retreat Grant, Massachusetts College of Art and Design Alumni Assn.

## Projects & Residencies

- 2019** Visiting Artist for Civic Media, The Clay Center for Young Healthy Minds at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA  
Artist Takeover: *Collective Drawing*, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, MA  
*In collaboration with Sabrina Dorsainvil*
- 2018** *Drawn Together*, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, MA  
*In collaboration with Graham Yeager*  
Dance Spot, Emerson College, Boston, MA  
Slideshow, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, MA
- 2017** Slideshow, Boston City Hall Plaza, presented by HUBweek and Now+There, Boston, MA  
Dance Spot, Temple Contemporary/Tyler School of Art, Philadelphia, PA  
Community Legacy, MIT List Center for Visual Arts, Cambridge, MA  
Soundbox, Polly Thayer Starr Artist Project, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, MA  
Sound Lab, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, MA
- 2016** *Lemonade Stand*, Mission Hill, Jamaica Plain and Dorchester, MA, Funded by Creative City Grant  
*In collaboration with Silvia Lopez Chavez*  
Opening Our Doors Artist in Residence, Fenway Alliance, Boston, MA  
Eliot School of Fine and Applied Arts Traveling Artist in Residence, Jamaica Plain, MA  
Artist in Residence, Boston Center for the Arts, Boston, MA
- 2015** Dance Spot, 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Donna Summer Memorial Roller Disco, City Hall Plaza, Boston, MA  
Dance Spot, Polly Thayer Starr Artist Project, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston MA
- 2014** *Silver Lining*, Fort Point, Boston, MA, Funded by Fort Point Art Series Grant  
Dance Spot, 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Donna Summer Memorial Roller Disco, City Hall Plaza, Boston, MA  
Dance Spot, DeCordova Sculpture Park and Museum, Lincoln, MA  
*Spreading the Love*, Oberon Theater, Cambridge, MA
- 2013** *Story Lines*, Fort Point, Boston, MA, Funded by Fort Point Art Series Grant  
*In collaboration with Kate Gilbert*  
Dance Spot, Boston Arts Festival, Christopher Columbus Park, Boston, MA  
*Everyday Thanks*, Fort Point Arts Community, Boston, MA  
Vermont Studio Center Residency, Johnson, VT  
*I Heart Fort Point*, Made in Fort Point Cooperative, Fort Point Arts Community, Boston, MA
- 2012** Dance Spot, Fort Point, Boston, MA, Funded by Fort Point Art Series Grant
- 2010** *Channeling Fort Point*, Fort Point, Boston, MA, Funded by Fort Point Art Series Grant  
*In collaboration with Andrew Edman*

## Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2019** *About Face*, Mazmanian Gallery, Framingham State University, Framingham, MA  
*Not Just Us: Women Artists Speak Out for Social Justice*, Dana Hall Art Gallery, Wellesley, MA
- 2018** *Nine Moments for Now*, Cooper Gallery of African and African American Art, Cambridge, MA  
*Self-Composed*, Aviary Gallery, Boston, MA  
*Interstellar Sanctuary*, Mills Gallery, Boston, MA  
*Say Her Name: Watch Us Werk*, VanDernoot Gallery, Cambridge MA  
*How Do I Look?*, Atlantic Wharf Gallery, Boston, MA

- 2017** Thrive, The Beehive, Boston, MA  
 Habitation, Bakalar Gallery, Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Boston, MA  
 South End Neighborhood Exhibition, Boston Convention and Exhibition Center, Boston, MA  
 Listen Hear, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, MA
- 2016** Re: Development, Atlantic Wharf Gallery, Boston, MA  
 In the Eye of the Beholder, Midway Gallery, Boston, MA  
 Ordinary Matter, Boston Convention and Exhibition Center, Boston, MA
- 2015** Fay Chandler Emerging Artist Exhibition, Scollay Square Gallery, City Hall, Boston, MA  
 Fort Point Form, Boston Convention and Exhibition Center, Boston, MA  
 Bite, Nave Gallery, Somerville, MA  
 Drawing the Line, Atlantic Wharf Gallery, Boston, MA
- 2014** Small Works, Made in Fort Point Cooperative, Boston, MA  
 Parks and Recreation, Atlantic Wharf Gallery, Boston, MA  
 From Life, Aviary Gallery, Jamaica Plain, MA
- 2013** Red, Cambridge Art Association, Cambridge, MA  
 Oh Snap, Fourth Wall Project, Boston, MA  
 Still Life Lives, Fitchburg Art Museum, Fitchburg, MA  
 Road Trip, Atlantic Wharf Gallery, Boston, MA  
 Still: Objects Observed, Atlantic Wharf Gallery, Boston, MA
- 2012** New Spins, Lincoln Arts Project, Waltham, MA  
 Play Ball, Atlantic Wharf Gallery, Boston, MA  
 Creative Couples, Atlantic Works Gallery, East Boston, MA  
 That's A Fact: Young Gifted and Black, Bunker Hill Community College Gallery, Boston, MA
- 2011** A Feast for the Eyes, Art at 12 Gallery, Boston, MA  
 Paper Chase 100, Fort Point Arts Community Gallery, Boston, MA  
 Ladies First, 309 Hancock Gallery, Dorchester, MA
- 2010** Fort Point Showcase, Boston Convention and Exhibition Center, Boston, MA  
 Carry Out, MEME Gallery, Cambridge, MA  
 Open Studios Group Show, Fort Point Arts Community Gallery, Boston, MA  
 The Yellow Show, Boston Children's Museum Art Gallery, Boston, MA
- 2009** In the Round, Art at 12 Gallery, Boston MA  
 Open Studios Group Show, Fort Point Arts Community Gallery, Boston MA  
 Eat the Art, Bunker Hill Community College Art Gallery, Boston MA  
 A Fresh Approach, Library Arts Center, Newport NH
- 2008** Gathering, Drawing Room, Portland ME  
 Open Studios Group Show, Fort Point Arts Community Gallery, Boston MA  
 The Colors of the Americas, East Somerville Art Walk, Somerville MA

## **Selected Teaching & Speaking Engagements**

- 2019** Guest Speaker, *Amplifying Community Voices*, Citizen Tales, Boston, MA
- 2018** Guest Speaker, *The Expansive Everyday: Creating Shared Spaces for Inclusive Stories*, Salem State University, Salem, MA  
 Keynote Speaker, Creative Exchange Arts Conference, West Barnstable, MA  
 Guest Artist, Senior Seminar: Art Life and Money, Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Boston, MA

Artist/Mentor, Art All-State, Dartmouth, MA  
 Guest Speaker, *Strategies for Public Engagement*, Cambridge Arts Council, Cambridge, MA  
 Guest Speaker, *Building Trust with Communities*, Eliot School of Fine and Applied Arts  
 Jamaica Plain, MA  
 Panelist, *Art and Activism*, Emerson College, Boston, MA  
 Instructor, *Art Towards Kindness*, Eliot School of Fine and Applied Arts, Jamaica Plain, MA  
**2017** Instructor, *Creative Aging: Basic Drawing*, Cambridge Public Library, Cambridge, MA  
 Teaching Artist, *Everyday Seeds of Sustainability*, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA  
 Panelist, *Art, Sex and Democracy*, Catherine Bertulli Studio, Melrose, MA  
**2016** Panelist, *The Art of Sound*, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, MA  
 Teaching Artist, *Sound Lab Workshops*, Hyde Square Task Force, Jamaica Plain, MA  
 Teaching Artist, *Sound Lab Workshops*, Roxbury Youth Orchestra, Roxbury MA  
 Teaching Artist, *Sound Lab Workshops*, Edward M. Kennedy Academy for Health Careers  
 Mission Hill, MA  
 Teaching Artist, *A Picture's Worth*, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, MA  
**2014** Teaching Assistant, *Drawing into Painting*, Harvard Summer School, Cambridge, MA  
 Teaching Artist, *SIBOS Printmaking Workshop*, Fort Point Arts Community, Boston, MA  
 Instructor, *Drawing in the Moment*, Eliot School of Fine and Applied Arts, Jamaica Plain, MA  
**2013** Teaching Assistant, *Drawing into Painting*, Harvard Summer School, Cambridge, MA  
 Instructor, *Drawing in the Moment*, Eliot School of Fine and Applied Arts, Jamaica Plain, MA  
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 Instructor, *Drawing in the Moment*, Eliot School of Fine and Applied Arts, Jamaica Plain, MA  
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**2010** Teaching Assistant, *Drawing into Painting*, Harvard Summer School, Cambridge, MA  
**2009** Instructor, *Art and Artists*, Eliot School of Fine and Applied Arts, Jamaica Plain, MA  
 Instructor, *All About Me*, Agassiz Elementary School, Eliot School of Fine and Applied Art  
 Partnership Program, Jamaica Plain, MA  
 Instructor, *Issues and Images*, Summer Studios Program, Massachusetts College of Art and  
 Design, Boston, MA

## Selected Press

Dig Boston, "Now, Now, Now, Now, Now, Now, Now, Now, Now" November 29, 2018  
 Emerson College Today (online), "Artist Invites Public to Dance," Apr 30, 2018  
 Now + There Journal (online), "Joy and Transgression: Reflections on Slideshow," Feb 2, 2018  
 WBUR News (online), "The Photos That Helped Us Tell 2017's Stories," Dec 21, 2017  
 Hyperallergic (online), "Best of 2017: Our Top 20 Exhibitions Across the U.S.," Dec 21, 2017  
 Now + There Journal (online), "Holding A Story," Oct 10, 2017  
 Take Magazine, "Honoring Generous Lives," Oct 7, 2017  
 Bay State Banner, "Interactive MIT Exhibit Asks Students What They Leave Behind," Sept 15, 2017  
 MIT Tech, "'Community Legacy' at the List," Sept 14, 2017  
 90.9 WBUR (radio), "Gardner Museum's 'Sound Lab' Offers Intimate Window Into Lives of Boston  
 Teens," March 9, 2017  
 Cityline WCBV 5 (television), "Listen Hear: The Art of Sound," Mar 6, 2017  
 Boston Magazine, "The Gardner Museum Is Opening a New Sound Art Exhibit," Mar 1, 2017  
 Now + There Journal (online), "Art in Service: Who is it for?," Aug 9, 2016

The Boston Herald, "Planting Ideas," July 24, 2016  
The Improper Bostonian, "Market Values," Mar 16, 2016  
Now + There Journal (online), "Waiting by the Light," Nov 20, 2015  
The Boston Globe, "Fresh Paint, Fresh Ideas," Oct 19, 2013  
Pulse Magazine, "Fitchburg Art Museum Brings Still Lifes to the Surface," Oct 2, 2013  
Sentinel & Enterprise, "Still Life is What You Make of It," Sept 21, 2013  
The Boston Globe, "Arts To Do List" featured pick, Aug 13, 2013  
Panorama, "Boston Accent: Elisa Hamilton," Nov 12, 2012  
Dig Boston, "Getting Ready for Dance Spot," Oct 17, 2012  
WGBH Arts (online), "Happiness Lives Here," June 5, 2012  
The South Pasadena Review, "Ordinary Bliss at SoPas Gallery," Feb 8, 2012  
GO Magazine, "Channeling the Arts," Sept 2011  
Boston.com (online), "City Hall Celebrates Black History Month," Feb 9, 2011  
The Watertown Tab, "Meet the Watertown Artist," Jan 28, 2011  
Artscope, "Centerfold Outtakes," Nov/Dec 2008  
The Boston Globe, "The Art of Drawing Neighbors Together," April 20, 2008

## Service & Memberships

**2013 - Present** Board of Trustees, Massachusetts College of Art and Design  
Committee Chair, Academic and Student Affairs  
**2018 - Present** President, Civic Media Art and Practice Consortium, Emerson College  
**2016 - Present** Member, United Sound End Artists  
**2008 - Present** Member, Fort Point Arts Community  
**2016 - 2017** Neighborhood Salon Luminary, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum  
**2009 - 2013** Alumni Leadership Council, Massachusetts College of Art and Design  
Board Chair, 2011-2013