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About Me

I am a fine artist, acrylic painter and curator with a strong background in both solo and group exhibitions. My experience as a commercial artist includes creating graphic designs for advertisements across multiple platforms, as well as collaborating on web design and development projects. In addition, I am a published author and illustrator of children's books, specializing in conveying visual concepts through both literature and canvas. As an active exhibiting artist, I have a portfolio available upon request.

Education

Bachelor of Arts

The College of New Jersey, 1984

Office of Information Technology Internship

State of New Jersey, 1985

Web Design / Developer

Mercer County Community College, 1994

Work Experience

Web Developer 2000-2006

State of New Jersey
Department of Strategic Development & Visual Communication

Computer Programmer 1986-2000

State of New Jersey Office of Information Technology, Department of Treasury

Advertising Director 1982-1985

Don Vereen Applause Women Designer Shop, Trenton, New Jersey

Children Book Illustrator

That Baby is No Fun; The Adventures of Mellie

Written by Nettie Thomas Lark (part 1,2,3)

The Adventures of Torti

Written by Okechukwu K. Ugorji

My Sister is My Best Friend

Written by Brenda Pinkston (in progress)

Recognition and Awards

Winner of the Black Women in Jazz & Arts

Drawing/Painting, Atlanta, Ga., 2015

Team development of NJ Motor Vehicle

Commission's 1st Website, Office of Information Technology, 2003

The Life Inspiration Award in the Arts

WIMG 1300, Trenton, NJ., 1996

Juried Exhibitions & Museum Responses

- 2025 The Mint Museum, Southern Modern Artist Response, Charlotte, NC
- 2024 Arts Factory, Show & Tell Exhibition, Charlotte, NC
- 2024 Hart Witzen Gallery, Free for All Exhibition, Charlotte, NC
- 2024 VAPA, Visual & Performing Arts, Are We There Yet Exhibit, Charlotte, NC
- 2024 Kimpton Tryon Park Hotel, Are We Free Yet? Exhibit, Charlotte, NC
- 2023 Arts Factory, Breaking the Chains Exhibition, Charlotte, NC
- 2023 Freedom Communities Hub, Who am I? Exhibition, Charlotte, NC
- 2018 Delta Fine Art Center Gallery, Winston-Salem, NC
- 2017 The Mint Museum, Romare Bearden Artist Response, Charlotte, NC
- 2015 The Mint Museum, John Biggers Artist Response, Charlotte, NC
- 2010 The College Of New Jersey Alumni Exhibition, NJ
- 2006 Gallery 125, Trenton, NJ
- 2005 Mercer County Artist 2005, Trenton, NJ

Solo Exhibitions

- 2023 Nine Eighteen Nine Gallery, Nuances Exhibition, Charlotte, NC
- 2015 PinkstonsArt Studio Gallery, Harrisburg, NC
- 2001 Custom Framing Art Gallery, Trenton, NJ
- 1995 Pennington Athletic Club, Ewing Twp. NJ
- 1992 Red Sea Press, Africa, World Press Publishing Inc., Lawrenceville, NJ
- 1991 Blue Mountain Cafe', Trenton, NJ
- 1990 House Of Melange, Trenton, NJ
- 1990 Cafe Dell' Artista, Greenwich Village. NYC
- 1989 Trenton Marriott, Trenton, NJ
- 1989 Seven Principles Art Gallery, Englishtown, NJ

Group Exhibitions

- 2019 Sabrina Gallery, High Point, NC
- 2019 The Pauline Tea Bar Apothecary, Charlotte, NC
- 2018 Noda@28th Gallery, Charlotte, NC
- 2018 Delta Fine Art Center Gallery, Winston-Salem, NC
- 2018 Nordstrom Art Gallery, Charlotte, NC
- 2015 One Five O Gallery, Charlotte, NC
- 2014 SouthEnd Dentistry Gallery, Charlotte, NC
- 2012 Gregory Art Framing Gallery, Huntersville, NC
- 2004 Communiversity Arts Gallery, Princeton, NJ
- 2003 National Puerto Rican Congress, Atlantic City, NJ
- 2002 Brunivette Art, Latin/American Art, Trenton, NJ

Art Festivals

- 2015 African American Arts and Culture Festival, Downtown Raleigh, NC
- 2015 8th Annual Delta Legacy Film Fest, Charlotte, NC
- 2010 Mercer Redcross, October Gallery Art Fest , Philadelphia, Pa
- 2010 Harrisburg Arts Fest, Harrisburg, NC
- 2006 Communiversity, Princeton, NJ
- 2005 Iris Festival, Bordentown, NJ