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### SOLO OR TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2023 Karen Bright—WITHin the Anthropocene Solo exhibition, SVA Gallery, Brookdale Community College, Lincroft, NJ Exhibition dates: November 2 – December 6, 2023

In Consideration of Climate\_Hell or High Water Karen Bright and Kathleen Curtis Cosgrove, two-person exhibit Gallery 10, Truro Center for the Arts at Castle Hill, Truro, MA Exhibition dates: May 30 – June 9, 2022

2022— Karen Bright—It's A Question of Survival [a collection of thoughtful paintings]
Atlantic Highlands Arts Council, Atlantic Highlands, NJ
Exhibition dates: January 29, 2022–March 5, 2022

2020 – Karen Bright—Throughline, Work on Paper, Jersey Shore Arts Center, NJ Exhibition dates: October 23, 2020 – November 1, 2021

41st Annual Juried Art Exhibition, Monmouth Museum, Lincroft, NJ Exhibition dates: January 18–March 14, 2020

Selected for exhibition: *Sentient.map*; international, juried Juror: Grace Graupe-Pillard

Karen Bright—Throughline and Just Beachy/After Sandy DiMattio Gallery, West Long Branch, NJ

Solo exhibition dates: September 3-December 9, 2019

### GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2023 Regional Juried Exhibition, Wayne Arts Center, Wayne, PA Exhibition dates: March 27 – April 29, 2023

Accepted work: *Monarch* 

Sweet Sixteen, 15h Annual International Encaustic Conference

Truro Center for the Arts at Castle Hill, Truro, MA

Exhibition dates: May 30 – June 10, 2023 Accepted work: *Unveiled*; juror: Adam Peck

New Jersey Arts Annual, Re-emergence, Trenton State Museum, Trenton, NJ

Exhibition dates: June 25 – April 30, 2023 Accepted work: *South of Expectation* 

41st Annual Juried Art Exhibition" Monmouth Museum, Lincroft, NJ exhibition dates: January 18–March 14, 2020 selected for exhibition: *Sentient.map*; intntl, juried; Juror: Grace Graupe-Pillard

A Sense of Place in Contemporary Encaustic, Ice House Gallery, W. Long Branch, NJ Exhibition dates: September 20–December 9, 2019

Selected for exhibition: Tree Fall

Viewpoints 2018, Studio Montclair, Montclair, NJ selected for exhibition: We All Like Cake; international, juried

Third Place Award, \$250; Juror: Gary Schneider

39th Annual Juried Art Exhibition, Monmouth Museum, Lincroft, NJ

Exhibition dates: January 13–March 11, 2018 Selected for exhibition: We All Like Cake

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS (CONTINUED)

2017 Hopeful Darkness, Atlantic Gallery, New York, NY

Exhibition dates: November 28-December 16, 2017

Selected for exhibition: The Big Grey\_2

Juror: Ingrid Dinter

2017 International Exhibition, Center for Contemporary Art, Bedminster, NJ

Exhibition dates: November 17–December 23, 2017 Selected for exhibition: *Be Honest, This is Forever* 

Juror: Stephen Westfall

Black Tie (optional), Adam Peck Gallery, Provincetown, MA

Exhibition dates: June 2 - June 6, 2017 selected for exhibition: *The Big Grey 1* 

curator: Adam Peck

The Small Works Show, Harmon Gallery, Wellfleet, MA

Exhibition dates: November 25 - December 31, 2016

selected works: The Big Grey 1, 2, 3, 4; YellowBlue 1, 2, 3; Spackle 1, 2; Whitewash 3

curator: Vincent Amicosante

Trending: Contemporary Art Now!, Women's Caucus for Art, Target Gallery,

Torpedo Art Center, Alexandria, VA

Exhibition dates: January 23, 2016–February 28, 2016

selected for online and onscreen exhibition: Petrified and New World\_Quadtych

juror: Elizabeth Garvey

The Artist, The Critic or The Kid, East End Arts' 5th Annual National Art Competition, Riverhead, NY Exhibition dates: August 5 – September 21, 2016 exhibited piece: *The Pod*; selected for exhibition by "The Critic: Joyce Beckenstein"

Another Way of Keeping A Diary, San Luis Obispo Museum of Art, San Luis Obispo, CA

Exhibition dates: November 20, 2015–January 31, 2016

selected for exhibition: *Totem: And So It Goes* 

Rita Saliklis, Curator (SLOMA) organized by Flo Bartell and Lola Baltzell (IEA);

juror: David Limrite

5th Annual Juried Encaustic/Wax Exhibition, Encaustic Art Institute, Santa Fe, NM selected for exhibition: *Cool & Golden, (diptych)*; Exhibition dates: October 3-31, 2015 juror: Bruce Helander

Force of Nature, Womens Caucus For Art/New Hampshire Chapter, Karl Dreup Art Gallery, Plymouth State University, Plymouth, NH.

Exhibition dates: July 9-August 14, 2015; juror: Judith K. Brodsky

exhibited piece: 100 Years: Irrelevance (5 panels)

Contemporary Encaustic 2015, Royal Contemporary, Florence, CO

juror: Susan M. Gibbons, Lisa Steele; Exhibition dates: July 31, 2015–Sept. 13, 2015

exhibited piece: The Burn

Art Department Faculty from Monmouth University and Brookdale Community College" Art Alliance of Monmouth County, Red Bank, NJ exhibited pieces: *Untitled (Abstract 2)*, and *Pod*; curator: Colleen Lineberry.

2014 Poetry Bleeds Rust, members-only show, NAWA Gallery, New York, NY juror: Jenn Dierdorf; Exhibition dates: October 1–29, 2014

selected for exhibition: The Burn

The Devil in the Straight Line, Bakehouse Art Center (Audrey Love Gallery), Miami, FL curators: Flo Bartell and Lola Baltzell; juror: Henning Haupt October 6–14, 2014; selected for exhibition: *Copper 2* and *Cool and Golden* 

4th Annual Juried Encaustic/Wax Exhibition, Encaustic Art Institute, Cerrillos, NM Juror: Merry Scully, Head of Curatorial Affairs, New Mexico Museum of Art; Exhibition dates: October 3, 2014–November 2, 2014 selected pieces: 100 Years: Chart, Ice House, Imagining You

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Wax Effects, National Juried Encaustic Exhibition, San Luis Obispo, CA selected for exhibition: Seven Feathers; juror: Eileen Goldenberger

15th Annual Collage, Digital, and Mixed Media Juried International Art Exhibition, 2013 Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE June 1 2013 - May, 31, 2014 selected for exhibition: Seven Feathers, Nugget\_Abstract, Nugget\_Knit, Nugget\_Pink Sweater 1

2012 Faculty & Friends, Joan and Robert Rechnitz Hall Inaugural Exhibit Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ Cahoon Hollow One, Cahoon Hollow Two, Rock Forest, And Then There Were Rocks

> 14th Annual Abstraction Juried International Art Exhibition Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE October 1 2012 - September 30, 2013 selected for exhibition: Cahoon Hollow - One, Cahoon Hollow - Two, And Then There Were Rocks, and Rock Forest

14th Annual Photographic Processes Juried International Art Exhibition Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE September 1-August 31, 2013 selected for exhibition: Blue Mountain Storm, Garvin Trees #1, Garvin Trees #2, Goat Rock Tree, Fordyce Faucet, and Fordyce Beauty Parlor

National Park Service Permament Collection, Hot Springs Arkansas. Pine on Sunset Trail - Dusk commissioned into the National Park Service permanent collection

Faculty Exhibit, Monmouth University, Ice House Gallery January 23 - March 9, 2012 exhibited piece: Yes, Strings Attached (Are you tea or coffee) artist book

Through Your Eyes: National Park Service Artists-in-Residence 2011 An international, juried, online exhibit featuring selected work from completed artist residencies. Accepted piece: Look and See, digital output from original graphite and acrylic drawing.

9th Annual Color: Bold/Subtle International Juried Art Exhibition Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE December 1 2011 - November 30, 2012 exhibited pieces: All In, Cliff with Rock Line, Look and See, and Rockscape

2010 Ideas 2010: The Digital Narrative, Emily Carr University of Art & Design Vancouver, British Columbia. November 1-6, 2010 sponsored by: International Digital Media Arts Association exhibited piece: Yes, Strings Attached (Are you tea or coffee) artist book Ideas 2010 curator: Dena Elisabeth Eber, Bowling Green State University

> Petrified Forest National Park, Petrified Forest, Arizona. Look and See, accepted into the Petrified Forest permanent art collection.

31st Annual Exhibition and Competition, co-sponsors: Monmouth County Arts Council and Monmouth Museum, January 16 through February 21, 2010 exhibited piece: The Outcrop, 363 entries, 78 selected juror: Maura Lynch, Curatorial Assistant, Museum of Modern Art, New York Monmouth Museum and MCAC \$250 Cash Award

11th Annual Abstraction International Online Juried Art Exhibition, 2009 Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 exhibited pieces: The Abyss, Rocks II, and Rocks III, from 350 entries

> BAL National 2009 47th Annual Juried Exhibition Beaumont Arts League, Beaumont, TX March 1 -March 31, 2009 accepted piece: Cracks and Bones II, Juror: Polly Hammett

Faculty Exhibition, Ice House Gallery, Monmouth University West Long Branch, New Jersey

GROUP EXHIBITIONS
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1992

2008 Transforming Matter, Caladan Gallery, Cambridge, MA February 10 through April 9, 2008 exhibited piece: *Traktr* Curator: Marjorie Kaye Faces X, 10th Annual Faces Juried Online International 3 Art Exhibition Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE March 1, 2008-February 28, 2009 exhibited pieces: Fiona and Ginger, Kierna, Zoë and Sprite juror: Larry Bradshaw 2007 Faculty Exhibition, Ice House Gallery, Monmouth University October 22 - November 23, 2007 exhibited pieces: Kierna's Story, Fiona's Story, Zoe and Fiona, Kierna Diving Into Digital, Bergen Museum of Art and Science, Paramus, NJ 2006 March 15, 2006 - June 1, 2006 exhibited pieces: House for Frida Kahlo, House for Alfred Stieglitz, House for Pablo Neruda, House for Georgia O'Keeffe juror: Natalia Kolodzei 2005 Monmouth County Arts Council Annual Juried Show Monmouth Museum, Lincroft, New Jersey accepted piece: House for Pablo Neruda juror: Naomi Grossman 18th Annual Statewide Exhibition, Art Alliance of Monmouth County 2004 Red Bank, New Jersey accepted piece: House for Frida Kahlo juror: Marianne Ficarra, Project Director of the Transcultural Statewide Initiative through Rutgers Office for Intercultural Initiatives, Faculty Exhibition, Ice House Gallery, Monmouth University 2001-04 West Long Branch, New Jersey Faculty Exhibition, Ice House Gallery, Monmouth University 2000 West Long Branch, New Jersey 20th Annual Juried Show; Juror: Joseph Jacobs 1999 Monmouth Museum, Lincroft, New Jersey Campus Creations, Faculty Exhibition, Studio 259 Long Branch, New Jersey 19th Annual Juried Show; Juror: Cicely Cottingham 1998 Monmouth Museum, Lincroft, New Jersey 1997 Karen Bright-Recent Work, Window Gallery, Art Alliance of Monmouth County Red Bank, New Jersey "Faculty Exhibition, "Ice House Gallery, Monmouth University West Long Branch, New Jersey 10th Annual New Jersey State Juried Exhibition; Juror: Christopher Lione 1996 Monmouth County Art Alliance, Red Bank, New Jersey -Honorable Mention David and Patricia Wilson, Private Collection 1996 Fall Faculty Exhibition, Visual Arts Department 1995 County College of Morris, Randolph, New Jersey 1994 Summer Faculty Exhibition Main Gallery, County College of Morris, Randolph, New Jersey Faculty Small Works Show

Main Gallery, Parsons School of Design, New York, New York

# GROUP EXHIBITIONS (CONTINUED)

13th Annual Juried Show; Juror: Jacob Landau Monmouth Museum, Lincroft, New Jersey

1992 6th Annual New Jersey State Juried Exhibition; Juror: Tova Novarra Monmouth County Art Alliance, Red Bank, New Jersey

The New York Public Library Collection, Rare Books and Manuscript Division, New York, New York hand-bound, limited edition collection of letterpress and lithographs, *Notes on Poetic Imagination* commissioned into the Rare Books and Manuscript Division of the Library.

1986 Artists Proof, Printmaking Retrospective University of the Arts, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

> Recent Typographic Investigations, One-Person Show Robeson Center Gallery, Rutgers University, Newark, New Jersey

1984 Thesis Exhibition, Cranbrook Academy of Art Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

1982 Lessing and Edith J. Rosenwald, Private Collection hand-bound, limited edition collection of letterpress and lithographs, *Notes on Poetic Imagination* 

Small Print Show, The Print Club Philadelphia, Pennsylvania exhibited piece: *Moth Wings, fourth place award* 

1980 8th International Miniature Print Competition and Exhibition Pratt Graphics Center, New York, New York

### HONORS AND AWARDS

2022-23 Urban Coast Institute Faculty Project Grants for *In Consideration of Climate*, a solo exhibition at Brookdale Community College Center for the Arts, \$5,000

2022 Gold Award, Hermes Creative Awards, an international competition for creative professionals involved in the concept, writing and design of traditional materials, programs, and emerging technologies.

CATEGORY: Publication Cover, The Sons of the Santorelli, Client: Tony Taddei

Tenure Buyout Awarded, begins June 30, 2023

Sabbatical Award for Fall 2022

A Sense of Place in Contemporary Encaustic, International Encaustic Exhibition, Ice House Gallery, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ Initiator and Co-Curator (with Lisa Pressman and Kathleen Curtis-Cosgrove)

2019, 2018 Urban Coast Institute Faculty Project Grants for *Just Beachy/After Sandy*, \$10,000

2018 Third Place Award, Viewpoints 2018, Studio Montclair, Montclair, NJ for sculpture: We All Like Cake, \$250; Juror: Gary Schneider

2017 Project Grant Award for *Just Beachy/After Sandy*, International Encaustic Artists, \$1250

Gold Award, Hermes Creative Awards, an international competition for creative professionals involved in the concept, writing and design of traditional materials, programs, and emerging technologies. category: Publication Overall Bruce Dorfman: Past, Present —Paintings, Drawings and Combined Media, Client: Scott Knauer, Department of Art and Design, Monmouth University

HONORS AND AWARDS (CONTINUED)

Gold Award, Hermes Creative Awards category: Invitation, Taddei–Jacobs Wedding Invitation + Save the Date, Client: Kristin Taddei, Daniel Jacobs

2016 Platinum Award, Hermes Creative Awards
 category: Program Guide, "Passion, Purpose, Commitment–40 Years of
 Social Work at Monmouth University,"
 Client: School of Social Work, Monmouth University

2015 Gold Award, Marcom Awards, International Competition for Marketing and Communication Professionals. category: Annual Report
 Passion, Purpose, Commitment – 40 Years of Social Work at Monmouth
 University, Client: School of Social Work, Monmouth University

2015 Collegiate Advertising Awards, category: Annual Report Passion, Purpose, Commitment – 40 Years of Social Work at Monmouth University. Client: School of Social Work, Monmouth University

2014 Silver Award, 51st Annual Award Show, Art Directors Club of New Jersey for design and production of Micah Williams, Portrait Artist, 104 page exhibition catalogue for the Monmouth County Historical Association.

Paper, *For the Love of Type*, selected for panel presentation and poster session at the Design Education Conference, a segment of the American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) "Head, Heart, Hands," International Design Conference, Minneapolis, MN October 9-12, 2013.

*Bronze Award*, 50th Annual Award Show, Art Directors Club of New Jersey for design and production of the "Faculty and Friends," exhibition catalogue for inaugural exhibit at Rechnitz Hall, Monmouth University.

*Silver Award*, 39th Annual Jasper Awards, Category: Special Award Superstorm Sandy Support Award for Faculty & Friends exhibition catalogue.

Special Recognition awarded for And Then There Were Rocks and Rock Forest, 14th Annual Abstract Juried International Art Exhibition Upstream People Gallery, Omaha. NE

*Gold Award*, 38th Annual Jasper Awards, category: Special Purpose Print Material for design and production of 19th century Maritime Art, Our History in Paintings.

Pine on Sunset Trail – Dusk commissioned into the National Park Service permanent collection.

Special Recognition awarded for Fordyce Faucet and Fordyce Beauty Parlor, 14th Annual Photographic Processes Juried Online International Art Exhibition, Upstream People Gallery, Omaha. NE

*Artist in Residence*, Hot Springs National Park, Hot Springs, Arkansas Two-week artist residency resulting in 5 drawings and photographic research. Residency included conducting a drawing workshop for the public and displaying work at a gallery reception hosted by the Fordyce Visitor Center.

*Merit Award*, 27th Annual Educational Advertising Awards for design and production of "19th century Maritime Art, Our History in Paintings" Client: The New York Public Library

*Bronze Award*, 49th Annual Award Show, Art Directors Club of New Jersey for design and production of 19th century Maritime Art, Our History in Paintings.

Juror, Congressional Arts Competition for High School Students, sponsored by Congressman Frank Pallone.

2010 Look and See, selected for the permanent art collection of Petrified Forest National Park, Petrified Forest, Arizona.

Artist in Residence, Petrified Forest National Park, Arizona

HONORS AND AWARDS (CONTINUED)

Two-week artist residency resulting in 8 drawings and photographic research.

Sabbatical Award, Monmouth University, Spring 2010

31st Annual Juried Art Exhibition & Competition, Monmouth County Arts Council and Monmouth Museum, \$250 award, juror: Maura Lynch, Curatorial Assistant, Department of Prints and Drawings, Museum of Modern Art, New York

- Monmouth at the Millennium poster awarded a *Silver Jasper* from the Jersey Shore Advertising and Public Relations Association for poster design.
- Grant recipient, Grant in Aid of Creativity, Monmouth University, for project titled: Printmaking: Two Degrees of Separation, Forging a new Relationship Between the Fine Art Print and the Computer Generated Image.

Curator, Art Alliance of Monmouth County Juried Exhibition Red Bank, New Jersey

Honorable Mention, 10th Annual New Jersey State Juried Exhibition, Juror: Christopher Lione, Monmouth County Art Alliance, Red Bank, New Jersey

- Printing Industries of America (PIA) *Certificate of Merit Award* for publication, *Revolution in Print, France 1789-1989* for The New York Public Library.
- 1985 Moth Wings, *Fourth place award*, Small Print Show, The Print Club Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Lessing and Edith J. Rosenwald Scholarship (full scholarship, senior year)
  The University of the Arts, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

#### RECENT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Convex, Concave Wall Sculptures, three-day workshop with Artist, Pamela Blum Truro Center for the Arts at Castle Hill, Truro, MA participant
- Think Make Space, week-long workshop with Artist, Judy Pfaff
  Truro Center for the Arts at Castle Hill, Truro, MA participant

14th International Encaustic Conference, Truro Center for the Arts at Castle Hill Presenter, June 5th; topic: MYDO (Make Your Own Door—then open it!)

14th International Encaustic Conference, Truro Center for the Arts at Castle Hill (Professional development workshops: Leslie Guiliani and Debra Claffey)

- A Sense of Place in Contemporary Encaustic, Ice House Gallery, W Long Branch, NJ Curator, with guest curators Lisa Pressman and Kathleen Cosgrove
- Thirteenth International Encaustic Conference, Provincetown, MA participant (Professional development workshops with Judy Pfaff and Joanne Mattera)
- 2018 Artisan Expo/IEA/EAI Flux Artist Retreat, Santa Fe, NM participant (Francisco Benitez, *Homage to Fayum*)

Twelfth International Encaustic Conference, Provincetown, MA – participant (Miles Conrad, *Cold wax Demystified with Miles Conrad;* Dale O. Roberts, *Taking Reference to the Poetic with Dale Roberts* )

- 2013 AIGA National Design Conference, Minneapolis, MN presenter
- 2010 International Digital Media Arts Association Conference, Vancouver, BC presenter

### TEACHING

1996-2023	Professor Emerita/Monmouth University, West Long Branch, New Jersey HIGHLIGHTS: department chair 2002-2006; full professor, 2014; tenure, 2002
1993-96	Associate Professor, Coordinator, Graphic Design Program County College of Morris Visual Arts Department, Randolph, New Jersey
1990-93	Full-time Faculty, Parsons School of Design Communication Design Department, New York, New York
1984-90	Assistant Professor, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey Department of Art and Design, Newark, New Jersey
	EDUCATION
1984	Cranbrook Academy of Art, MFA Graphic Design Bloomfield Hills, Michigan
1982	The University of the Arts, BFA with honors Printmaking Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
1977-79	Southern Connecticut State University, Studio Art/General Education New Haven, Connecticut

### RECENT PUBLISHED DESIGN WORKS AND CONSULTING

IN PROGRESS	Feeling Our Age, 60 portraits of women over 60 design and production of 88 page book; Client: Kathleen Curtis-Cosgrove
2022	The Sons of the Santorelli, by Tony Taddei book cover design; Client: Tony Taddei and Bordighera Press
2020	Karen Bright-Throughline (Work on Paper), Jersey Show Arts Center, Ocean Grove, NJ design of exhibition mailer and social media; Client: Tony Taddei
2019	Karen Bright–Throughline Graphic design and all production of twenty-page exhibition catalog and exhibition mailer
2019	Just Beachy/After Sandy, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ Graphic design and all production of exhibition brochure with Assistant Professor Amanda Stojanov (Communication); design/production of exhibition mailer
2019	A Sense of Place in Contemporary Encaustic, Monmouth University, W. Long Branch, NJ All pre-press and production for twenty-eight page exhibition catalog; design/production of mailer and signage
2016	Bruce Dorfman: Past-Present, Paintings, Drawings and Combined Media Department of Art and Design, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ design and production of twenty-eight page exhibition catalog, and mailer
2015	Passion, Purpose, Commitment: Forty Years of Social Work at Monmouth University, School of Social Work, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ design and production of twenty-eight page booklet to celebrate the School of Social Work's fortieth anniversary
2014	Forty Years of Social Work at Monmouth University Logo School of Social Work, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ design and production of logo to celebrate the School of Social Work's fortieth anniversary
2013	Micah Williams: Portrait Artist, Monmouth County Historical Association, Freehold, NJ design and production of 104 page exhibition catalogue for inaugural exhibit of Micah Williams's portrait work
	Micah Williams: Portrait Artist, Monmouth County Historical Association, Freehold, NJ design and production of limited edition poster for Micah Williams exhibit
2012	Faculty & Friends, Joan and Robert Rechnitz Hall, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ design and production of thirty-six page catalogue for inaugural exhibit (pro bono)
	Classroom Kit, New School Designs, Wall, NJ design and production for classroom kit collateral and company logo
2011	19th Century Maritime Art, Pollak Gallery, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ design and production of seventy-two page exhibition catalogue (pro bono, 200 hrs.)
2009	Unitarian Universalist District Metro New York design for "google.con" collateral, fund raiser for youth conference (pro bono)
	Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah, Clark, New Jersey brochure design for postal stamp collection fund raiser (pro bono)

Urban Coast Institute, Monmouth University, West Long Branch, New Jersey

identity and collateral design (letterhead, program folder, business cards, envelope)

2006