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## EDUCATION

- 2018** University of Colorado at Boulder, **Master of Fine Arts**, Sculpture & Post-Studio Practices, Boulder CO  
Graduate Certificate in Women & Gender Studies
- 2009** SUNY New Paltz, **Bachelor of Fine Arts**, cum laude, Sculpture, New Paltz NY  
Minor, Journalism

## SOLO & TWO PERSON EXHIBITIONS

- 2021** **Play Hard**, Vision Gallery + Chandler Museum, Chandler AZ
- 2020** **Conflux**, Colorado Mesa University Art Gallery, Grand Junction CO
- 2018** **Crowd Control**, NURTUREArt, Brooklyn NY
- 2015** **Chew Me Up / Spit You Out**, Brooklyn Wayfarers, Brooklyn NY
- 2013** **Every girl wants a ring (pop)**., Elsewhere Studios, Paonia CO
- 2012** **The Clothes Project**, ROTA Gallery, Plattsburgh NY  
**The Clothes Project**, Cary House Gallery, Salem NY

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2021** **Out of Office**, Collar Works, Troy NY  
**Socially Distanced**, Center Space Gallery, Scottsdale AZ  
**Fruits of Our Labor**, Shepherd's Settlement Farm, Syracuse NY
- 2020** **Ransom 2**, Brooklyn Wayfarers, Brooklyn NY  
**2020 Faculty Biennial**, Fort Lewis College Art Gallery, Durango CO  
**Roadside Attraction**, Multiple Locations, Phoenix AZ  
**Artist Breakfast Club**, Civic Center Gallery, Scottsdale AZ

**Art D'Core Gala**, True North, Phoenix AZ  
**Artlink's 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Exhibition**, Park Central, Phoenix AZ

**2019** **Eleutheria**, Cobra Flute Projects, Phoenix AZ  
**Inspired by History**, Chandler Museum, Chandler AZ  
**Mesa Prototyping Project Exhibition**, Mesa ArtSpace Gallery, Mesa AZ  
**Artlink's 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Exhibition**, Park Central, Phoenix AZ  
**Expanded Impression**, South Gallery, Longmont CO

**2018** In Collaboration with dancer **Laura Malpass**, Charlotte York Irey Theatre, Boulder CO  
**Make it stick, don't get stuck**, MFA Thesis Exhibition, CU Art Museum, Boulder CO  
**There. Here. Near.**, Museum of Boulder, Boulder CO  
**ARCHIVE: Notes from the Field**, Norlin Library, Boulder CO  
**Kings Exhibition**, Boulder CO

**2017** **Fieldwork 7**, The Feed Store, Byers CO  
**Meet Me at the Corner of Arts & Science**, Cabal Gallery, Denver CO  
**Sustainable Arts**, Centennial Hall, Ewen MI  
**Kings Exhibition**, Boulder CO

**2016** **Play Nice: Visual Notions on Gender**, Good Thieves Press Gallery, Denver CO  
**Conference on World Affairs**, CU Boulder, Boulder CO  
**The Nowness**, Kings Exhibition, Boulder CO  
**20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Alumni Exhibition**, FSP in the City @Casket, Minneapolis MN  
**On Death and Dying**, CU Art Museum, Boulder CO  
**Sustainable Arts**, Centennial Hall, Ewen MI

**2015** **Light Industrial Ecosystem**, Garner Arts Center, Garnerville NY  
**Body in Eden**, Brooklyn Wayfarers, Brooklyn NY

**2014** **Almanac**, Brooklyn Wayfarers, Brooklyn NY  
**DIY Sustainable Arts**, Centennial Hall, Ewen MI  
**Bushwick Open Studios**, Brooklyn Wayfarers, Brooklyn NY

**2012** **First Fridays**, The Pember Museum, Granville NY

**2010** **INTERNational**, Barn 2 Gallery, Salem NY

**2009**      **BFA/MFA Thesis Exhibition**, Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art, New Paltz NY  
**Sculpture Now**: New Paltz, Gallery 116, New Paltz NY

#### TEMPORARY PUBLIC ART

**2021**      **Tucson Jewish Sculpture Garden**, Tucson AZ

**2019**      **City of Coppell Old Town Art Splash**, Coppell TX  
**Sculpture Walk Springfield**, Springfield MO

**2010**      **Franconia Sculpture Park Outdoor Exhibition**, Franconia MN

**2009**      **Kingston Sculpture Biennial**, Kingston NY

#### FELLOWSHIPS & RESIDENCIES

**2020**      **MoMAZoZo** Artist Residency, Carrizozo NM

**2019**      **Mesa Prototyping Project Community Residency**, Mesa AZ  
**ChaNorth**, Pine Plains NY (Awarded but unable to attend)

**2014**      **The Visitor Center**, DIY Sustainable Adventure Art Camp, Ewen MI  
**Wayfarers Studio Program**, Brooklyn NY

**2013**      **The Contemporary Artists Center**, Troy NY

**2012 -**      **Elsewhere Studios Artist Residency**, Paonia CO

**2013**

**2010**      **Salem Art Works Artist** Internship Fellowship, Salem NY  
**Franconia Sculpture Park** Intern Artist Fellowship, Franconia MN

#### AWARDS, GRANTS, LECTURES, & WORKSHOPS

**2021**      **Teaching, Service & Research Grant**, Fort Lewis College, Durango CO  
**Vision Kids Workshop**, Vision Gallery, Chandler AZ

**2020**      **Teaching, Service & Research Grant**, Fort Lewis College, Durango CO  
**Visiting Artist Lecture**, College of Creative Studies, Detroit MI

**2019**      **Visiting Artist Lecture**, Arizona State University, Tempe AZ  
**CERF+**, Get Ready Grant, Montpelier VT  
**Mesa Prototyping Workshop**, CARE, Mesa AZ

- 2018**      **Foundation for Contemporary Arts**, Emergency Grant, New York NY  
**King Award**, awarded by **Yasmeen Siddiqui**, Boulder CO  
**Charles Francis Truscott Scholarship** in Fine Arts, Boulder CO
- 2017**      **Visiting Artist Lecturer**, Metropolitan State University of Denver,  
Denver CO  
**Sustainable Building Lecture**, Visitor Center Artist Camp, Ewen MI  
**Welman Scholarship**, Boulder CO
- 2015**      **UGGS Travel Grant**, Boulder CO  
**Visiting Artist Lecture**, Visitor Center Artist Camp, Ewen MI
- 2013**      **Visiting Artist Lecturer**, Union College, Schenectady NY
- 2012**      **NYSCA's** Lower Adirondack Regional Arts Council Individual Artist Grant,  
Glens Falls NY
- 2011**      **Visiting Artist Lecturer**, Union College, Schenectady NY  
**Artist Lecture**, Salem Art Works, Salem NY
- 2010**      **Artist Lecture**, 3D Symposium, Franconia Sculpture Park, Franconia MN
- 2009**      **Herbert Lewis Kammerer Memorial Prize for Excellence in Sculpture**,  
New Paltz NY

## SERVICE

- 2019**      **Founding Member**, LOT 14, Tempe AZ
- 2018**      **Board Member**, ArtShape Mammoth, International

## SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

Elizabeth Montgomery, "Must-see metro Phoenix arts in May", AZ Central, April 27, 2021

"Chandler Exhibits Celebrate Play and Playgrounds", SanTan Sun News, March 25, 2021

Allison Standish, "Arizona artists Melissa Sclafani and Bobby Zokaites at 437CO", The Criterion, February 13, 2020

Tammy Gemahlich, "February First Friday features 'Conflux', first graders and more", The Daily Sentinel, February 6, 2020

David Ludlam, "CMU art and design department announces visiting artists Bobby Zokaites and Melissa Sclafani", CMU Now, January 28, 2020

"Meet Melissa Sclafani" Voyage Phoenix, March 12, 2019

"AZCreatives: the local artists who inspire us", Voyage Phoenix, Feb 8, 2019

Katie Killary, "Back Like Never Before: Top Art Openings To Get You Going In 2015!", Bushwick Daily, Jan 8, 2015

Marian Lorraine, "Magic on Magic on Magic: Wayfarers Lights Up Bushwick", Arts in Bushwick, May 30, 2014

Natalie Jablonski, "In the U.P., Dreaming Up a Place for Artists", WXPB, Ewen, MI, August 18, 2014

"ArtBeat: What to See", Nippertown, August 2, 2012

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**2020-** **Assistant Professor & Gallery Director**, Art & Design Department, Fort Present Lewis College, Durango CO

**2021 -** **MFA Studio Advisor**, Maine College of Art & Design's Low Residency MFA Program  
**2022**

**2019 -** **Adjunct Instructor**, Benedictine University, Mesa AZ  
2020 Courses taught: Sculpture 1, 3D Design

**2018-** **Preparator + Registrar**, Lisa Sette Gallery, Phoenix AZ  
2020

**2018** **Instructor**, Art & Rural Environments Field School, Antonito CO

**2017 -** **Graduate Assistant**, Art & Rural Environments Field School,  
2018 Boulder CO

**2015 -** **Instructor of Record**, University of Colorado, Boulder CO  
2018 Courses taught: Sculpture for Non-Majors

- 2015 +**  
2017 **Instructor of Record**, Visitor Center Artist Camp, Ewen MI  
Courses Taught: Sustainable Building Workshop
- 2015 -**  
2016 **Grant Writer**, ArtShape Mammoth, International  
Wrote various grants for non-profit organization
- 2014 -**  
2017 **Fabricator**, The Factory NYC + Substrate, Brooklyn NY
- 2010 -**  
2012 **Artist Programs Coordinator + Curator**, Salem Art Works, Salem NY
- 2010 -**  
2017 **Studio Assistant / Manager** for various artists:  
Diana al Hadid, Boaz Vaadia, Marylyn Dintenfass, + M12Studios