

NIKKI RENEE ANDERSON

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EDUCATION

- 2002 **MFA** Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY, Sculpture / Ceramics
- 1999 **BFA** Drake University, Des Moines, IA, Sculpture
- 1998 Institute of Italian Studies, Lorenzo d' Medici, Florence, Italy

SOLO AND TWO PERSON EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 *Unfurling Garden*, Anderson Gallery, Drake University, Des Moines, IA
Offering, Oliva Gallery, Chicago, IL
Anderson/Mulcahy, Lillstreet Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2022 *Our Garden Of*, A-B Projects, Los Angeles, CA
Garden of Delights, Arrowhead Gallery, Waubonsee Community College, Sugar Grove, IL
Femininity, Memories & Allegories, 3D4D Gallery, Chicago, IL (two person show with Lisu Vega)
- 2021 *Boom Bloom*, Krasl Center for the Arts, St. Joseph, MI (two person show with Renee Robbins)
- 2018 *Sugar Garden*, Harper College Art Gallery, Palatine, IL
- 2017 *Domestic Dots*, A-B Projects, Claremont Graduate School, Claremont, CA
- 2014 *Drip, Drop, Dribble*, Fine Arts Center Gallery, Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago, IL
Standing Bodies, Dickinson Window Art Project Space, Waubonsee Community College, Sugar Grove, IL
- 2012 *Secret Bodies*, Dubhe Carreño Gallery, Chicago, IL
Nikki Renee Anderson, Morton College, Cicero, IL
Transformative Visions, Nikki Renee Anderson and Joanna Mortreux, Robert T. Wright Gallery, College of Lake County, Grayslake, IL
- 2011 *A Delivery To Your Senses: Nikki Renee Anderson and Paul Northway*, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX
Our Place Appears, SÍM Residency, Korpulfsstadir, Reykjavík, Iceland (collaboration with Michael Kozien)
- 2010 *Whispering Bodies*, Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL
- 2003 *Art Chicago*, Project Space, Zolla/Lieberman Gallery, Inc., Chicago, IL
- 2001 *Boss Baby's Slumber Party*, Lawrence Alloway Memorial Gallery, Stony Brook, NY
Soft Voices, Lawrence Alloway Memorial Gallery, Stony Brook, NY

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 *Timeless Bodies*, Oliva Gallery, Chicago, IL
Facades, The Art Center of Highland Park, Highland Park, IL (three-person show with Aaron Becker and Molly Schiff)
Door County Contemporary, Oliva Gallery, Fish Creek, WI
- 2024 *Visions in Clay*, Horton Gallery, Delta College, Stockton, CA
2024 Chicago Sculpture International Juried Exhibition, Alma Art and Interiors, Chicago, IL

- Pint Size 2*, Transmission Gallery, Oakland, CA
Bridgeport Arts Center Biennial, Bridgeport Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2023 *2023 Terrain Biennial*, Highland Park, IL
Coalescence, Daum Museum of Contemporary Art, Sedalia, MO
Fruit, Arrowhead Gallery, Waubensee Community College, Sugar Grove, IL
Our Garden Here, special project space, The Other Art Fair, Chicago, IL
- 2022 *Sculpture Invasion 2022*, Koehnline Museum of Art, Oakton Community College, Des Plaines, IL
Faculty Exhibition, Harper College Art Gallery, Palatine, IL
- 2021 *5th Midwest Open*, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL
Keep in Touch, *2021 Terrain Biennial*, Oak Park, IL
2021 DuMA Biennial, Dubuque Museum of Art, Dubuque, IA
2021 Evanston + Vicinity Biennial, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL
- 2020 *CSI 20 20*, The Visual Arts Gallery, Governors State University, University Park, IL
Touch, *A Virtual Exhibition*, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL
Faculty Exhibition, Harper College Art Gallery, Palatine, IL
- 2019 *THE WALK*, PROTO GOMEZ Gallery, New York, NY
Lush: A Contemporary Ceramics Exhibition, The Lighthouse Arts Center, Tequesta, FL
Nature Reconsidered: Reimagining the Natural World Through Ceramics, Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO
small & MIGHTY, The Clay Studio of Missoula, Missoula, MT
The Drawing is the Wide Open Window, Proto Gallery, Hoboken, NJ
- 2018 *24th Evanston + Vicinity Biennial*, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL
- 2017 *The Subject is Chicago: People, Places, Possibilities*, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL
I Have Vivid Memories of Lightning, Gaylord & Dorothy Donnelly Foundation, Chicago, IL
Over & Over, The Glass Curtain Gallery, Columbia College Chicago, Chicago, IL
Faculty Exhibition, Sonnenschein and Albright Galleries, Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, IL
- 2016 *Not Just Another Pretty Face*, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
Resurrection, Aron Packer Projects, Co-Prosperity Sphere, Chicago, IL
Resonant Structures, Paul W. Zuccaire Gallery, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY
Resonant Structures, Inter Space in collaboration with Baby Castles Gallery, New York, NY
- 2015 *59th Premio Faenza*, International Competition of Contemporary Ceramic Art, Museo Internazionale della Ceramiche, Faenza, Italy
Disruption, Grounds For Sculpture, Hamilton, NJ
Themes in Contemporary Sculpture, Foster Gallery, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, WI
Cage Unrequited, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL (participating artist: sound piece)
- 2014 *Ceramics/Glass*, Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art, Chicago, IL
- 2013 *Play*, Urban Institute for Contemporary Art, Grand Rapids, MI
Six to the Third, Cliff Dwellers, Chicago, IL
Inventory_The EAM Collection, Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL
The Potent Object, Baltimore Clayworks, Baltimore, MD
2013 Workhouse Clay National, Workhouse Arts Center, Lorton, VA
Ceramacom, Blue Line Arts, Roseville, CA
Alumni Exhibition 2013, Student Activities Center Gallery, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY
- 2012 *No Rules: Contemporary Clay*, Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL
The Installation Experiment, Chicago Arts District, Chicago, IL
Form and Flora III, Lincoln Park Conservatory, Chicago, IL

- Forms and Fragments*, Art Museo Gallery, Intercontinental Chicago O'Hare, Rosemont, IL
- 2011 *Six to the Third*, Chicago Sculpture International, Art Chicago, Chicago, IL
From Iceland to Thailand, BauerLatoza Studio, Chicago, IL
Simsalabim, The Association of Icelandic Visual Artists, Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2010 *Dubuque Museum of Art Biennial Exhibition*, Dubuque Museum of Art, Dubuque, IA
18th National Ceramic Competition, San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, San Angelo, TX
Countercurrents, Chicago Sculpture International, Art Chicago, Chicago, IL
Sculpture Invasion, Koehnline Museum of Art, Oakton Community College, Des Plaines, IL
- 2009 *NCECA Clay National Biennial*, Arizona State University Art Museum, Tempe, AZ
56th Premio Faenza, International Competition of Contemporary Ceramic Art, Museo Internazionale della Ceramiche, Faenza, Italy
Women in Technology, Beverly Arts Center, Chicago, IL
Embodiment, Eel Space, Chicago, IL
MFA Alumni Exhibition, SAC Gallery, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY
- 2008 *New Work*, Galerie Aqui Siam Ben, Vallauris, France
Sugarcraft, Kasia Kay Art Projects, Chicago, IL
Chicago Sculpture International Biennale, FLATFILE Galleries, Chicago, IL
Tri.Spective, Moraine Valley Community College, Robert F. DeCaprio Art Gallery, Palos Hills, IL
Beyond Titillation, Lawton Gallery, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, Green Bay, WI
- 2007 *Participant in Mark diSuvero's Peace Tower*, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL
Sculpture Invasion, Koehnline Museum of Art, Oakton Community College, Des Plaines, IL
Harper Art Faculty Exhibition, William Rainey Harper College, Palatine, IL
Influences, Moraine Valley Faculty Art Show, Robert F. DeCaprio Art Gallery, Palos Hills, IL
- 2006 *Visualizing TRANS*, University of Wisconsin-Madison Visual Culture Conference, Kupfer Center, Madison, WI
Chicago Sculpture International Biennale, FLATFILE Galleries, Chicago, IL
NOVA Art Fair 2006, Chicago Art Project, Chicago, IL
Youthful Indiscretions, Moraine Valley Faculty Art Show, Robert F. DeCaprio Art Gallery, Palos Hills, IL
- 2005 *Harper Art Faculty Exhibition*, William Rainey Harper College, Palatine, IL
- 2004 *SOFA Chicago*, Dubhe Carreño Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2003 *Noun/Verb*, Hillwood Art Museum, Long Island University, Brookville, NY
Curator's Choice Exhibition, ATC Space, Chicago, IL
- 2002 *Reload*, Istanbul Museum of Contemporary Art, Istanbul, Turkey (online exhibition)
Hopscotch: Associative Leaps in the Construction of Narrative, The Painted Bride Art Center, Philadelphia, PA
Ceramics 2002, Laura A. Sprague Gallery, Joliet Junior College, Joliet, IL
MFA Thesis Exhibition, Paul W. Zuccaire Gallery, Stony Brook, NY
- 2001 *Jill Came Tumbling After*, site specific installation, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY
- 2000 *New Work*, Lawrence Alloway Memorial Gallery, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY
Our Mothers, collaborative performance, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY
www.womenswork.com, Mills Pond House Gallery, Smithtown, NY
New York Area MFA Exhibition, Times Square Gallery, Hunter College, New York, NY

CURRENT TEACHING POSITION

- 2019 – Current Assistant Professor of Art, Harper College
- Teaching courses in Ceramics and Foundations

AWARDS AND GRANTS

- 2017 *Professional Development Grant*, Columbia College Chicago
- 2016 *Learning Management System Fellowship*, The Center for Innovation in Teaching Excellence, Columbia College Chicago
- 2015 *Senior Fellowship*, The Center for Innovation in Teaching Excellence, Columbia College Chicago
Professional Development Grant, Columbia College Chicago
- 2014 *Moodle Fellowship*, The Center for Innovation in Teaching Excellence, Columbia College Chicago
- 2013 *Professional Development Grant*, Columbia College Chicago
- 2012 *Artist Project Grant in Visual Arts*, Illinois Arts Council
- 2011 *CAAP Grant*, City of Chicago, Department of Cultural Affairs
- 2010 *Professional Development Grant*, Columbia College Chicago
Kiln God Award for Full Funding, Artist Residency, Watershed Center for the Ceramic Arts
- 2009 *Professional Development Grant*, Columbia College Chicago
CAAP Grant, City of Chicago, Department of Cultural Affairs
International Arts Exchange Grant, Illinois Arts Council
- 2008 *International Arts Exchange Grant*, Illinois Arts Council
- 2006 *CAAP Grant*, City of Chicago, Department of Cultural Affairs
- 2003 *Best Faculty Presentation*, Voices, Visions and Visionaries Gender Conference, College of Lake County
- 2001-02 *Maurice M. and Miriam H. Goldberger Fellowship*, Stony Brook University
- 2001 *Full Fellowship*, Artist Residency, Vermont Studio Center
- 1999-02 *Full Tuition Scholarship*, Stony Brook University
- 1995-99 *Fine Arts Merit Scholarship*, Drake University

RESIDENCIES

- 2013 Watershed Center for the Ceramic Arts, New Castle, Maine, co-led session with Lynn Peters
- 2011 Takt Artist Residency, Berlin, Germany
- 2010-11 The Association of Icelandic Visual Artists (SÍM), Reykjavik, Iceland
- 2010 Watershed Center for the Ceramic Arts, New Castle, Maine
- 2009 La Macina di San Cresci, Greve, Italy
- 2008 AIR Vallauris, Vallauris, France
- 2001 Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, Vermont

VISITING ARTIST LECTURES AND CONFERENCES

- 2025 Drake University, Des Moines, IA, Artist Talk
Oliva Gallery, Chicago, IL, Artist Talk
The Art Center of Highland Park, Highland Park, IL, Artist Talk

2023	Art Now! Lecture Series, Columbia College Chicago, Chicago, IL, Artist Talk and Studio Visits
2021	Krasl Art Center, St. Joseph, MI, Artist Talk
2018	Harper College, Palatine, IL, Artist Talk
2017	Scripps College, Claremont, CA, Artist Talk
2016	The Pot Shop, Evanston, IL, Workshop and Artist Talk
2014	Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago, IL, Artist Talk Waubensee Community College, Sugar Grove, IL, Workshop and Artist Talk
2013	Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art, Chicago, IL, Artist Talk Watershed Center for the Ceramic Arts, Newcastle, ME, Artist Talk School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL, Artist Talk
2012	The Installation Experiment, Chicago Arts District, Chicago, IL Artist Talk Edinboro University, Erie, PA, Workshop, Artist Talk and Studio Visits
2011	The Association of Icelandic Visual Artists (SÍM), Reykjavik, Iceland, Artist Talk University of Texas, San Antonio, TX, Artist Talk Northwest Vista College, San Antonio, TX, Artist Talk Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago, IL, Artist Talk
2010	Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL, Artist Talk Watershed Center for the Ceramic Arts, Newcastle, ME, Artist Talk
2009	Museo Internazionale della Ceramiche, Faenza, Italy, Artist Talk La Macina di San Cresci, Greve, Italy, Artist Talk
2007	"Bathroom Tales: Sugar Spice and Everything Nice," College Art Association, New York, NY, Stereotypes of Women: Evil By Design?, Presenter and Panelist
2004	William Rainey Harper College, Palatine, IL, Artist Talk
2003	"Expressions of Femininity: Domestic Space, Voice, Carnival and the Body," College of Lake County, Grayslake, IL, Voices, Visions and Visionaries Gender Conference, Presenter and Panelist (Publication)
2002	New School University, New York, NY, Artist Talk Long Island University, C.W. Post Campus, Brookville, NY, Artist Talk

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Waxman, Lori, "60 Word/Min Covid Edition: Boom Bloom", New City, May 7, 2021.

Bellantoni, Ralph J., "Emerging Trends at Grounds for Sculpture," The Daily Record, Part of the USA Today Network, November 27, 2015.

Dube, Ilene, "New Exhibit 'Disruption' Captures the Chaos of the Modern World," News Works, February 25, 2016.

Schroeder Willis, Emily, "No Rules: Contemporary Clay," Ceramics Monthly, April 2013.

Cassidy, Victor, "Nikki Renee Anderson: Expressive Forms," Ceramics Art and Perception, No. 90, 2012.

Waxman, Lori, "Stories found in photos," The Chicago Tribune, February 2, 2012, section 4, 3.

Viera, Lauren, "Despite cuts, exhibits awe us. Top shows in city and suburbs," *The Chicago Tribune*, December 12, 2010, section 4, 10.

Cassidy, Victor, "Nikki Renee Anderson: Elmhurst Art Museum," *Sculpture Magazine*, October 2010, Volume 29, Number 8.

Viera, Lauren, "Immerse yourself in art of the senses," *The Chicago Tribune*, March 19, 2010, section 5, 16.

Shames, Germaine, "2009 NCECA Clay National Biennial Exhibition," *Ceramics Monthly*, June/July/August 2009.

"Gallery Review," *Ceramic Review*, November/December 2008, Issue 234.

Gschwandtner, Sabrina, "Let'em Eat Cake," *American Craft*, August/September 2008, Volume 68, No. 4.

Pirnia, Garin, "Sugarcraft," *Time Out Chicago*, Issue 178: Jul 24–30, 2008.

Cassidy, Victor M., "Best of Visual Art 2006 Local, East and West Coast Writers Name Their Picks," *Chicago Artists' News*, January 2007, Volume XXXIV, Number 1, 8.

Harrison, Helen, "Noun/Verb," *The New York Times*, October 5, 2003, Section 14L1, Column 1, 11

COLLECTIONS

A.I.R. Vallauris, Vallauris, France

Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, Illinois

Glenbow Museum, Calgary, Canada

Museo Internazionale della Ceramiche, Faenza, Italy

Various private collections