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Born

1972 in Dallas, Texas

Lives/Works

Johnson City, Tennessee (since 2006)

Education

2024 MFA, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA

2017 - 2019 Studied art at East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN

1996 BS magna cum laude, psychology, John Brown University, Siloam Springs, AR

Selected Solo/Two-Person Exhibitions

2026 *The Shape of What We Carry*, 123 West Main Gallery, Johnson City, TN

2025 *Acts of Letting Go*, The Grand Bohemian Art Gallery, Greenville, SC

2025 *Echoes of Memory*, The Emporium Center, Knoxville, TN

2024 *Through Lines*, Fischman Gallery, Johnson City, TN

2024 *Thesis Exhibition: Above and Below*, Anne Bryan Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

2022 *Remade*, The Arts Depot, Abingdon, VA

2022 *Control and Release*, Watauga Brewing Company, Johnson City, TN

2021 *Unfolding*, One Acre Café, Johnson City, TN

Selected Group Exhibitions

2026 *Eat/Art*, Tipton-Ashe Gallery, Johnson City, TN

2025 *Generate*, Jocelyn Matthews, 123 West Main Gallery, Johnson City, TN

2025 *Thinking Through the Lens of Mixed Media*, Slocumb Gallery at ETSU, Johnson City, TN

2025 *Dogwood Arts Regional Exhibition*, Lindsey Rogers, Dogwood Gallery, Knoxville, TN

2025 *Held Together: Fragility & Endurance in Art*, Visionary Art Collective, New York

2025 *Layered Influence*, The Reece Museum, Johnson City, TN

2025 *Thinking Through the Lens of Mixed Media*, Fischman Gallery, Johnson City, TN

2024 *The Fletcher Exhibit*, Meaghan Dee, The Reece Museum, Johnson City, TN

2024 *Written in Real Time*, Eat Art Space, Johnson City, TN

2024 *Converge*, Dr. Brittany Webb, Bridgette Mayer Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

2024 *Appalachian Art Show*, Stephen Wicks, Renaissance Center Gallery, Kingsport, TN

2024 *Curiosity in Winter*, The Grand Bohemian Gallery, Greenville, SC

2024 Arts and Culture Alliance National Juried Exhibition, Sisavanh Houghton, The Emporium Center, Knoxville, TN

2024 Johnson City Public Art Banner Exhibition, Johnson City, TN

- 2023 *Brighter Than the Fire Around Me*, Fischman Gallery, Johnson City, TN
- 2023 *Holiday Salon Show*, Galerie Tangerine, Nashville, TN
- 2023 *Nocturne Nouveau*, Fischman Gallery, Johnson City, TN
- 2023 *I Know What You Did Last Summer*, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
- 2023 *April Showers Bring May Flowers*, Griffin Art Gallery, Jonesborough, TN
- 2023 *One World from Ukraine to Northeast TN*, Fischman Gallery, Atelier 133, Johnson City, TN
- 2023 *Arts and Culture Alliance National Juried Exhibition*, Julie Jack, *The Emporium Center*, Knoxville, TN
- 2022 *The Fletcher Exhibit*, Wesam Mazhar Haddad, The Reece Museum, Johnson City, TN
- 2022 *The Hand at Fenix Arts*, Adam Finkelston, Fenix Art Gallery, Fayetteville, AR
- 2022 *A New Take on an Old Space*, Fischman Gallery, Atelier 133, Johnson City, TN
- 2022 *Arts and Culture Alliance National Juried Exhibition*, Tommie Rush, The Emporium Center, Knoxville, TN
- 2021 *The Fletcher Exhibit, Michael Ray Charles*, The Reece Museum, Johnson City, TN (Catalogue)
- 2021 *From These Hills: Contemporary Art in the Southern Appalachian Highlands*, Michael Rooks, William King Museum, Abingdon, VA (catalog)
- 2021 *Destruction Before Creation*, Amber Howard, Tipton Gallery, Johnson City, TN
- 2021 *5x5 Exhibit and Fundraiser*, Cheyenne Kumbhare, Johnson City, TN
- 2021 *No bigger than a breadbox*, Joan Bontempo, The Emporium Center, Knoxville, TN
- 2021 *Women's Works 2021 - 34th Annual Show*, Audra Jacot, Old Court House Arts Center, Woodstock, IL
- 2020 *Community, Change, & Connection*, Theresa Hammond, McKinney Center, Johnson City, TN
- 2018 *Student Show*, McKinney Center, Johnson City, TN
- 2018 *ETSU Student Honors Show*, ETSU faculty, Johnson City, TN

Awards

- 2024 O'Neill Rubin Award of Excellence in Thesis Work, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Art
- 2024 Award of Excellence for "Duo", Appalachian Art Show, Kingsport, TN
- 2022 Sammie L Nicely Award for "The Demons on the Boat Can't Hurt Me", Fletcher Exhibit, Reece Museum, Johnson City, TN
- 2021 Award of Merit for "Upstream", Fletcher Exhibit, Reece Museum, Johnson City, TN

Publications and Presentations

- 2026 Livability Media Magazine, Johnson City Edition
- 2025 *Cycles of Loss and Renewal*, Artist Talk, LA' Art Museum, Iceland
- 2025 YNST Magazine, Issue 07, Spring 2025
- 2024 Art Seen Magazine, The Curator's Salon, Winter Issue
- 2024 AQ Volume 3, Art Queens, Summer 2024
- 2023 'Good Grief: Art exhibit opening in downtown JC Friday touches on heavy emotion'. WJHL News Channel 11, January 3, 2023. [https:// https://www.wjhl.com/news/local/good-grief-art-exhibit-opening-in-downtown-jc-friday-touches-on-heavy-emotion/](https://www.wjhl.com/news/local/good-grief-art-exhibit-opening-in-downtown-jc-friday-touches-on-heavy-emotion/)
- 2022 *The Fletcher Exhibit*, Exhibition Catalogue, The Reece Museum
- 2022 *The Hand Magazine*, Winter issue #35

- 2021 'Carla Taylor takes viewer on a personal journey', feature interview, A! Magazine For the Arts, Volume 29, No. 1, December 27, 2021.
- 2021 The Fletcher Exhibit, Exhibition Catalogue, The Reece Museum
- 2021 The Hand Magazine, fall issue #34
- 2021 From These Hills, Exhibition Catalogue, Michael Rooks, The William King Museum.
- 2021 The Hand Magazine, summer issue #33 (back cover)

Curatorial Projects

- 2026 *Deep Listening*, Fischman Gallery, Johnson City, TN
- 2023 *Good Grief*, Part of the TN Triennial: Re-Pair, co-curated with Rane Taylor, Fischman Gallery, Johnson City, TN

Residencies

- 2026 Chateau d'Orquevaux, France
- 2025 Bonfire Air, Iceland

Related Education

- 2025 Small Scale Sculptures That Make a Big Impression, Erin Furimsky, Arrowmont, Gatlinburg, TN
- 2023 Inspired by the Past: Archives and Printmaking Workshop, Leslie Smith and Katie Wigglesworth, Arrowmont, Gatlinburg, TN
- 2021 Sculptural Woodworking and Experimental Techniques, Teresa Audet, Arrowmont, Gatlinburg, TN
- 2019 Luminosity, Lines and Transparency in Encaustics, Lynda Ray, Arrowmont, Gatlinburg, TN