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Selected Exhibitions and Public Art

- 2024** **Passage II**, Art Complex Museum, Duxbury, MA
- 2023** **A Common Thread**, solo show, Boston Sculpture Gallery,
- 2022-23** **Passage**, Outdoor solo show, Milton Academy, Milton MA
Still Walking, Highfields Garden and Hall Museum Falmouth, MA
- 2021** **FRAGMENTS** Hess Gallery Pine Manor College, Chestnut Hill MA
Nashua International Sculpture Symposium, Nashua NH
Latin+ American, Schiltkamp Gallery, Clark University, Worcester MA
- 2020** **Unfolding Roads**, Fountain Street Gallery, Boston MA
Unmoored, Boston Sculpture Gallery, Boston MA
Latinexodus, Salisbury University Art gallery, Maryland
- 2019** **Voiceless**, installation at SculptFest 2019, West Rutland VT
Take it outside, Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton, MA
- 2018** **Home/Hogar** Galatea Fine Art Gallery Boston MA
Alone Together, Together Alone, solo show at Urbano Project
IMMIGRATION NATION, Museum of Fine Art, Boston MA
- 2017** **IMMIGRATION NATION II**, Boston Sculptors Gallery, Boston MA
Close to Home, installation at the Art Complex Museum, Duxbury MA
IMMIGRATION NATION, installation at Urbano Project with NEFA grant, Boston MA
- 2016** **Identidad y Presencia**, Escuela De Bellas Artes Gallery, Cusco Peru
Wondering Spirits, The Castletown Downtown Gallery, Rutland, VT
- 2015** **Cuore**, Boston Sculpture Gallery, Boston, MA
Inside Home, Boston Sculpture Gallery Group, Chesterwood, Stockbridge, MA
- 2014** **Visiones/Visions**, Int'l Sculpture show. Museum Qorikancha Cusco. Peru. Curator and participant
Transcripciones/Transcripts, Drawing show. ICPNA Cusco, Peru
- 2013** **Endless Journey**, Boston Sculptors Gallery, Boston MA
Baggage, Fitchburg Art Museum Fitchburg, MA Solo show
Boston Harbor Art, Occupying the Present: Permanent Site-Responsive Art
- 2012** **Hong Kong International Sculpture Symposium**, Hong Kong, China
Home/Hogar, two persons show SOHO20 Chelsea Gallery New York, NY
- 2011** **III International Sculpture Symposium**, El Trebol, Santa Fe, Argentina
International Sculptors Symposium, Ayacucho, Peru
- 2010** **International Sculpture Symposium**, West Rutland, VT Marble sculpture
- 2010-23** **The Bench Project**, Carving Studio and Sculpture Center, Rutland, VT, benches for public spaces.
Walking with Memories, Boston, MA Permanent outdoor sculpture installation
- 2006-11** **Cultural Exchange**, Ayacucho, Peru, Resident Artist sponsored by Carving Studio of VT & Chirapaq
- 2009** **Soto Studio, Boston**, MA Sculpture and installation
Stonefest 2009, Seattle, WA Guest Artist
- 2008** **Carving Studio & Sculpture Center**, West Rutland, VT Solo show "Walking with Memories"
International Sculpture Symposium, NWSSA, Mt. Vernon, WA Guest Artist
International Sculpture Symposium, SIAS International University Zhengzhou, China
- 2007** **International Sculpture Symposium**, Brussels, Belgium, Marble sculpture
- 2006** **International Sculpture Symposium**, Sumter, SC, Curator and participant
Stone Garden, Boston, MA, Permanent outdoor sculpture installation
- 2005** **Accessibility 2005**, Sumter, SC, Permanent outdoor sculpture installation
Columbia Museum of Art, Columbia SC, "Totem" Sculpture installation
4th International Sculpture Symposium, Thassos, Greece, Marble sculpture
1st International Sculpture Symposium, Murnau, Germany, Limestone sculpture
International Snow Sculpture Symposium, Quebec, Canada
- 2004** **7th International Sculpture Symposium** Andres Institute of Art, Brookline, NH, Granite sculpture
Motoazabu Gallery, Tokyo, Japan, "Fighting Back" Amnesty International show "Come Back Later."

- 2003** **Hampden Gallery**, University of Massachusetts Amherst, MA, "The Journey, part 2"
- 2003** **Buttstop Art**, Springfield, MA, Two benches for City of Springfield/PVTA bus routes
- 2002** **Manhan Rail Trail Mural**, Easthampton, MA, Mural with community participation for bicycle trail
- 2001** **Hampden Gallery**, University of Massachusetts Amherst, MA, "The Journey" Sculpture Installation
- 2000** **Jekyll Island Museum**, Jekyll Island, GA, Gallery show Driftwood Beach Project and public event
- 1999** **Alma de Mujer/Las Manitas**, Austin, TX, International Women's Day, Group Show (sculpture)
- 1998** **Mexic-Arte Museum**, Austin, TX
- 1997** **Bosnia Book Project**, Chelsea, MA, Book/Poster project with Bosnian immigrant children
- 1996** **Fuller Museum of Art**, Brockton, MA "Walk Down Memory Lane" Outdoor installation.
- 1995** **Decordova Museum**, Lincoln, MA, "Strokes of Genius, Miniature Golf by Artists"

Grants

- 2024** **Grant for Creative Individuals** Massachusetts Cultural Council
- 2022** **Opportunity Grants**, Boston, MA, Building Empathy Project
- 2020** **Creative City NEFA grant**, Boston, MA, WE HEAL Project
- 2016-17** **Creative City NEFA grant**, Boston, MA Immigration Nation
- 2012-13** **National Endowment for the Art** Main Street Art Project (Fitchburg Art Museum, The City of Fitchburg, and The University of MASS
- 2009-24** **Vermont Cultural Council** The Stone Bench Project with Carving Studio and Sculpture Center, VT
- 2010** **National Endowment for the Arts** Marble Symposium with Carving Studio and Sculpture Center, VT
- 2009-10** **Mass Cultural Council Grant** Walking with Memories, Boston Day & Evening Academy, Boston, MA
- 2006** **NEFA grant "Stone Garden"**, Boston Day & Evening Academy, Boston MA
- 2004** **UMass Cultural Council grant** The Journey part 2 Interactive commentary/installation.
- 2003** **NEA Creativity Grant/Revolving Museum**, Lowell MA Localmotive: Public Art Off the Beaten Path
- Federal Transit Enhancement Grant** Springfield, MA, **Buttstop Art**
- 2001** **Mass Cultural Council/NEA Grant** Manhan Rail Trail Mural, Easthampton, MA,
Student Affairs Cultural Enrichment Fund The Journey, University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA
- 2000** **Grassroots Art Grant (Ga. Council for the Arts/NEA)** Driftwood Beach Project, Jekyll Island, GA, G
- 1997** **VSA Arts, Revolving Museum grants (MCC/NEA)** Bosnia Book Project, Chelsea and Boston, MA,
- 1993** **NEFA grant** On the Wall Mural Project, Boston MA
- 1992** **MASS Cultural Council Individual Project Grant** Interpretations: Festival of Dreams

Awards

- 2022** **Nora Valdez Street**, named a street after her name in her hometown Mercedes, SL. Argentina
- 2021** **Finalist for Adams Public Library**, Boston MA
- 2020** **Finalist for the Nineteenth Amendment Centennial Public Art**, Cambridge MA
Casa del Dragon, Artist in Residency, Cervera del Maesttre, Spain
- 2017** **Artist Fellowship Grant, MCC Mass Cultural Council. Boston MA**
- 2016** **Museum of the Changchun World Sculpture Park, China Home in the permanent collection**
- 2011** **Honorary Member** of the Asociacion Peruana Ayacuchana, Qory Allpa
Distinguished Award by the Town Hall of San Juan Bautista, Ayacucho, Peru for Public Art
- 2008** **Selected Best of Latino Art Celebration in the Arts**, The 17th Annual Mass Housing, Boston, MA
- 2005** **1rt Prize International de Sculpture Sur Neige Du Carnaval de Quebec**, Quebec, Canada
- 2002** **Artist Fellowship Grant, Springfield Cultural Council**, Springfield, MA
- 1998** **3rd Prize(Sculpture)** 14th Annual Juried Women's Art, Guadalupe Cultural Center San Antonio TX

Commissions

- 2024** **Together**, bench for Comfort Kitchen, Boston, MA
- 2022** **The Immigrants**, Comfort Kitchen restaurant, Boston, MA
- 2021-22** **Motherhood**, Columbia, SC
- 2015-16** **Reading Garden**, Duxbury Public Library, Duxbury, MA
- 2014** **We Are All Immigrants**, East Boston Library, Boston, MA

- 2013** **The Immigrant**, Monumental Sculpture, City of Fitchburg, MA
Georgina, Monumental Sculpture, Private Collector, San Luis Argentina
- 1993-06** **First Night** Installation on the Boston Common, Government Center, Boston, MA
- 2004** **Manhan Rail Trail Stele**, Easthampton, MA, Commissioned limestone monument
- 2003** **Hestia Mural Restoration**, Northampton, MA, Artistic Director of 4,000 sq ft mural restoration
"Women on the Rise", Northampton, MA, Commissioned murals, poster for Safe Passage
- 1999** **Art in Public Places**, Austin, TX, Fountain, bas-relief and murals commissioned for Plaza Saltillo
- 1998** **Children's Universe Mural Project**, Austin, TX, Mural with community youths
- 1994** **Decordova Museum and Sculpture Park**, Lincoln, MA, "Passport Please" Installation as part of "Strokes of Genius, Minigolf by Artists"

Education

- 1989** **Mass. College of Art**, Boston, MA, Individual Study: Welding
- 1984-85** **Universita per Straniere**, Perugia, Italy, Italian Studies
- 1983** **Argentine Institute of Museology**, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Certificate in Restoration of Antiques
- 1982** **College of Fine Arts of Mercedes**, Mercedes (San Luis) Argentina, Curriculum: Art Education, Drawing, Painting, Sculpture. Graduated 1982, Title: Professor of Fine Arts

Workshops, Panels, and Educational Experience

- 2024** **Nashua International Sculpture Symposium**, Workshops for young artists.
- 2024** **Louis Brown Peace Institute**, Justice Pole for the Peace Trail, Boston, MA
The Eliot School of Art and applied Arts. Drawing and Stone Carving Classes.
- 2023** **Himali Boarding School**, workshops with students, Kathmandu, Nepal
- 2023** **University of Kathmandu**, lecture/artist talk, Kathmandu, Nepal
- 2022** **Conservatory Lab Chapter school**, Boston MA. Resident artist.
Stormwater, Columbia, SC Process and Public Art
- 2021** **Carving Studio and Sculpture Center, VT** Artist in the pandemic series
Salisbury University, Maryland -Artist in Residence Salisbury, Maryland
- 2021** **Boston Medical Center, Dana Farber**, Workshop with cancer patients
- 2019-24** **Boston Medical Center**, Workshop with cancer patients
- 2018** **MASS ART**, Boston MA Mentor graduated student.
The Eliot School of Fine Art and applied Arts -Artist in Residence Boston MA Home/Hogar
Castletown University, Castleton VT Governor's Institute Artist / mentor
Museum of Fine Art, Boston MA Artist's talk/ lecture
Salisbury University, Maryland -Artist in Residence Salisbury, Maryland
- 2017** **Urbano project-Artist in Residence**, Boston MA, Immigration Nation
- 2016** **The Art Complex Museum**, Duxbury, MA Demonstration and artistic talk
- 2015-16** **Till**, Watertown, MA Workshops with people with disabilities
- 2013** **Molino Fenix**, Mercedes SL, Argentina Artist talk and panel discussion
- 2006-24** **Carving Studio and Sculpture Center**, W. Rutland, VT Stone sculpture classes
- 1993-15** **VSA Arts of Massachusetts**, Boston, MA, Residencies in Boston Public Schools
- 2006-11** **Cultural Exchange, Ayacucho, Peru** – Resident Artist sponsored by Carving Studio of VT
- 2005-15** **Boston Day & Evening Academy**, Boston, MA Artist in Residence
- 2005** **County House of Corrections Conference**, Quinsigamond College, Worcester MA, Artist talk
- 2004** **Springfield Museum of Art**, Springfield, MA, Creating Art for the Public – Lecture
- 2002-04** **The Guild School**, Easthampton, MA, Stone Sculpture classes
- 2000-05** **Springfield Museum of Art**, Springfield, MA, Stone Sculpture classes - Museum School
- 2002** **National Endowment for the Arts**, Washington, DC, Panelist, Visual Arts Access Grants
Massachusetts Cultural Council, Panelist, Youth Reach grants
- 1995-'01** **Worcester Art Museum**, Worcester, MA, "Art All State" - Mentor for youth program
Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA, Portrait Painting classes
- 1998** **Elizabet Ney Sculpture Conservatory**, Austin, TX, Stone Sculpture classes

- Laguna Gloria - Austin Museum of Art**, Austin, TX, Sculpture and Painting classes
Mexic-Arte, Austin, TX LA PEÑA, Austin, TX, Art workshops in Austin elementary schools
1997 La Peña, Austin, TX, Art workshops with youths from Meadowbrook Housing Project
1996 Mobius, Boston, MA, "Collectivism, Collaboration, Cooperation and Consensus" – Panel discussion
Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston MA, Artists on Artists - gallery talk on "Inside the Visible"
Women's Caucus for the Arts National Conference, Boston, MA, Panel Discussion
1995-96 Wang Center, Boston, MA, "Arts by Kids" - Judge for show as part of outreach program "Young at Arts"
1995 The School at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA. Lecture to graduate students about Public Art
1994 Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston MA, "Public Interventions" - Panel discussion on Public Art
1993 Children's Museum, Boston, MA, Visiting Artist, Boston MA

Publications

- 2023 Artscope Magazine**, Becoming one, March/April
2022 Art New England, Studio visit, November/December, Vol.43 issue 6
2022 Boston Globe, How We memorialize the Pandemic.
2021 Boston Globe, Featured artist.
2021 New Hampshire Union Leader, Featured Artist for the Nasua International sculpture symposium
2020 Art New England, Review
2019 Rutland Herald, The Stone Bench Project, VT
2018 Artscope Magazine, Featured Artist
2018 ArtSake, Featured Artist
2018 Boston Vogayer, Featured Artist
2017 Inside Home is the cover of Writing on the Move by Rebecca Lorimer Leornard
2015 Artscope Magazine, November/December 2015 Featured Artist
2016 Rutland Magazine, Vol.10 Featured Artist/Stone Bench Project
2011 L'informatore del Marmista, Verona Italy, Anno L .N 593, Giorgio Zusi editore, Maggio 2011
2007 Carving Out A Dream, B. Amore (Ed.), Kokoro Press, 2007
2006 La Pintura Y La Escultura En San Luis, Vol. III, C. Sanchez Vacca, Payne S.A., 2006
2006 "Stone Garden", International Sculpture Magazine, Vol. 25, No. 10, December 2006
2005 "Painting the Town", Rails to Trails Magazine, Winter 2005
2003 "The Journey", International Sculpture Magazine, Vol. 22, No. 4, May 2003
 Illustrations in Prima Verba, Romania, Nr. 2, 2003
1999 La Pintura Y La Escultura En San Luis, Vol. II, C. Sanchez Vacca, Payne S.A., 2006