

# SONDRA DORN

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## EDUCATION

1996 MFA University of Washington; Seattle, WA  
1989 BFA University of the Arts Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA

## FELLOWSHIPS AND RESIDENCIES

1997 – 2001 Penland School of Crafts; Penland, NC, Artist in Residence  
1992 – 1994 Penland School of Crafts; Penland, NC, Fellowship Student  
1996 – 1997 Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts; Gatlinburg, TN, Artist in Residence

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

2016 Jurors Award - *Grace Centre 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Exhibition* – Grace Centre Gallery, Mills River, NC - Curator: G. Carol Bomer  
2015 Jurors Award – *A Drawing Discourse*, University of NC  
Honorable Mention - *Carolina's Got Art* - Elder Gallery, Charlotte, NC  
2013 Honorable Mention - *7<sup>th</sup> Annual Art in Autumn Arts Festival*, Weaverville, NC  
2011 *Regional Artist Project Grant* - Buncombe County, North Carolina, North Carolina Arts Alliance and the North Carolina Arts Council  
2010 Honorable Mention - *Carolina's Got Art* - Elder Gallery, Charlotte, NC  
2000 *Regional Artists Project Grant*  
North Carolina Arts Alliance and the North Carolina Arts Council  
1997 First Prize - *Tenth Annual BASF Textile Competition and Exhibition*  
Cash Award - *Eighth Biennial Sevier County Exhibition*  
Honorable Mention - *9th Annual BASF Fiber Arts Competition and Exhibition*  
1996 Trabue Professional Women's Scholarship  
Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts; Gatlinburg, TN  
1994-1995 *Gonzalez Scholarship*, Provost Recruitment Teaching Scholarship,  
Teaching Assistantship Scholarship - University of Washington; Seattle, WA  
*Special Projects Grant* - University of Washington; Seattle, WA

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2019 *Imaginary Topographies: Fragments* – Upstairs Artspace- Small Works Gallery  
Tryon, NC  
2018 *Through the Lens: colorful observations* – Panoramic Gallery, William King Museum,  
Abingdon, VA  
2015 *Opaque Transparencies*  
Mica Gallery, Bakersville, NC  
*Selected Works* – Grace Community Church and Arts Center – Mills River, NC  
2012 *Focus Gallery Exhibition* – Folk Art Center, Asheville, NC  
2011 *Descriptions of Nature- Textile Collages*  
North Carolina Crafts Gallery, Carrboro, NC

## SELECT EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 *Asheville Printmakers Exhibit*– Weisenblat Gallery, Mars Hill University, Mars Hill, NC  
*Nocturne*– Asheville Print Studio, Asheville NC
- 2019 *Imaginary Topographies: Fragments*- Upstairs Artspace, Tryon NC
- 2018 *Through the Lens: colorful observations*- Panoramic Gallery, William King Museum, Abingdon, VA  
*Into the Blue*– Blue Spiral One, Asheville, NC
- 2017 *Winter Show*– Greenhill Center for North Carolina Art, Greensboro, NC  
*2017 Summer Instructor Exhibition*– Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN  
*Black and White Works*– Mica Gallery, Bakersville, NC  
*Abstract*– Invitational Exhibition - Haywood County Arts Council, Waynesville, NC  
*The Fine Art of Contemporary Crafts V*– Watson-Macrae Gallery, Sanibel Island, FL
- 2016 *Grace Centre 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Exhibition*– Grace Centre Gallery, Mills River, NC  
Curator: G. Carol Bomer  
*Cherry Bounce – Appalachian Art and American Politics*– Invitational Exhibition  
William King Art Museum, Abingdon, VA – Curator: Eric Drummond-Smith  
*Mica Gallery*- Seasonal Guest Artist, Bakersville, MC  
*The Boating Party II*– Invitational Exhibition, curator Lindsay Barrick,  
Burke Arts Council, Morganton, NC  
*The Fine Art of Contemporary Crafts VI*– Watson-Macrae Gallery, Sanibel Island, FL
- 2015 *The Boating Party*– Invitational Exhibition – Curator – Lindsay Barrick  
Fanjoy – Labrenz Gallery – Hickory, NC  
*Carolina's Got Art* - Juried Exhibition – Elder Gallery, Charlotte, NC  
*Solo Exhibition*– Grace Community Church and Arts Center – Mills River, NC  
*A Drawing Discourse*– University of North Carolina, Asheville, NC, Jurors Award,  
Chosen for cover of Exhibition Catalogue  
*The Fine Art of Contemporary Crafts III*– Watson-Macrae Gallery, Sanibel Island, FL
- 2014 *The Masters*– Haywood County Arts Council, Waynesville, NC  
*Evolving / Revolving*– Ann Tower Gallery, Lexington KY  
*Contemporary Fibers*– Burke County Arts Council, Morganton, NC  
*Landscape: Different Views*– Watson-Macrae Gallery, Sanibel Island, FL
- 2013 *Group Exhibition*– North Carolina Crafts Gallery, Carrboro, NC  
*Breaking Ground- innovative Craft*  
Handmade in America, Asheville, NC, curator – Karthryn Grimley  
*Solo Exhibition- Opaque Transparencies*  
Mica Gallery, Bakersville, NC  
*Caldwell County Arts Council*  
Lenoir, NC
- 2013 *7<sup>th</sup> Annual Art in Autumn Arts Festival*  
September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013  
Weaverville, NC
- 2012 *Earthly Delights- an Exhibition of Fiber and Clay*  
Ackland Museum Store, Chapel Hill, NC  
*Focus Gallery Exhibition*– Folk Art Center, Asheville, NC  
*Dualities – An Exhibition of Fiber and Clay*– Avery County Arts Council, Linville, NC  
*25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Artists-in-Residence Exhibition*  
Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN
- 2011 *Crafted*- HandMade in America, Asheville, NC  
*Art in Bloom 2011* - Black Mountain Center for the Arts, Black Mountain, NC  
*Descriptions of Nature- Textile Collages*– Solo Show  
North Carolina Crafts Gallery, Carrboro, NC  
*Inaugural Naples International Contemporary Crafts Exhibition* - Juried Exhibition  
Longstreth Goldberg Arts Center, Naples, FL – Curator - Mark Leach

- 2010 *L.I.N.T – Ladies in New Textile Group Exhibition*, Gallery 86, Waynesville, NC  
*American Craft Today*- Juried Exhibition – The Bascom, Highlands, NC  
 Curator: Carol Sauvion  
*Carolinas Got Art* - Juried Exhibition – Elder Gallery Charlotte, NC  
 Curator, Mario Naves - Honorable Mention - Chosen for traveling exhibition  
*Foundations and Explorations* – An Exhibition of Clay and Fiber  
*Invitational Exhibition* – Mesh Gallery, Morganton, NC  
 Medley - Invitational Exhibition, Wayne County Arts Council  
*Craft Fair of the Southern Highlands* - July and October
- 2009 *Winter Show* - Green Hill Center for North Carolina Art - Invitational Exhibition  
*Craft Fair of the Southern Highlands* - July and October  
*L.I.N.T. Ladies in New Textile Group Exhibition*  
 Focus Gallery at Grovewood Gallery, Asheville, NC  
*Appalachian Regional Commission* - Work lent to U.S Congress office buildings in Washington DC by members of the Southern Highlands Craft Guild
- 2008 *Invitational Group Exhibition* – Focus Gallery at Grovewood Gallery, Asheville, NC  
*Craft Fair of the Southern Highlands* - October 2008
- 2004 *NC Craft 04: A Celebration of Penland’s 75th Anniversary*  
 Wellington B. Gray Gallery - East Carolina University, Greenville, NC - Juror: Gil Leebrick
- 2003 *Spotlight 2003* - Blue Spiral One, Asheville, North Carolina - Juror Ken Trapp  
*Fiber Directions 2003* - Wichita Center for the Arts - Wichita, Kansas - Juried Exhibition  
 Curator, Jason Pollen  
~~*Mountain Inspired*~~- Center for Craft Creativity and Design, Hendersonville, NC  
*Solo Show* - Truth in Materials, Lexington Kentucky  
*Enhancing the Surface* - Craft Alliance, St Louis, MO, Curator - Barbara Simon
- 2001 *Group Exhibition* - Appalachian Cultural Museum, Boone North Carolina  
*Textiles: North Carolina Art Quilts* - Green Hill Center for North Carolina Art, Greensboro, NC - Curators: Jenny Moore and Julia Church  
*First Ten Years - Arrowmont Artists In Residence* - Sandra J. Blain Gallery;  
 Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts; Gatlinburg, TN  
*Sleight of Hand*- Trish Higgins Fine Arts, Wichita, Kansas
- 2000 *Group Exhibition* - Baylor University Gallery of Art, Baylor University; Waco, TX  
*Square: Spaces* - Paintings and Textiles  
 Two Person Show with Tom Spleth Ceramic Artist  
 Abington General Store and Gallery, Abington, VA  
*Green Hill Select*  
 Green Hill Center for North Carolina Art, Greensboro, NC  
*Materials, Process + Object: Expanding the Practice of Fiber Art*  
 Pritchard Gallery, University of Idaho, Sun Valley Idaho - Invitational Exhibition  
 Curator: Layne Goldsmith  
*Contemporary Fiber: 6 x 6* - Invitational Exhibition  
 Blue Spiral 1 Gallery, Asheville, NC  
*Selected Works*  
 Soho Myriad Galleries Inc., Atlanta GA

## SELECT COLLECTIONS AND COMMISSIONS

Mission Hospital Center for Advanced Medicine – Asheville, NC  
University of Kentucky Health Care Systems – Lexington, KY  
Emory Hospital Systems – Atlanta, GA  
Mohegan Sun Resort and Casino - Uncasville, CT  
Charlotte Westin - Charlotte, NC  
Detroit Westin - Detroit, MI  
Omni Hotel- Orlando, FL  
Aruba Radisson - Aruba  
Hyatt at Penn's Landing – Philadelphia, PA

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

2019 – 2023 *Cheap Joe's Art Stuff*- Catalogue  
2018 and 2011 *The Laurel of Asheville*– Featured Cover Artist  
2018 *Radio Interview– Art Speaks*– WEHC 90.7  
2017 *North Carolina Literary Review 2017*– Online Publication  
2015 *A Drawing Discourse*– University of North Carolina, Asheville, North Carolina  
Cover image of Exhibition Catalogue  
2010 *WNC Magazine*- Lifestyle Department – September Issue 2010  
*WNC Magazine*- 'Love It' – November/ December Issue 2010  
2009 *Freestyle Machine Embroidery*- Techniques and Inspiration for Fiber Art  
Author: Carol Shinn, Published by Interweave Press - 2009  
2004 and 1999 **Fiberarts Design Books Six and Seven** - Published by Lark Books  
Edited by Susan Mowery Kieffer  
2000 *Surface Design Journal*- Spring 2000 'Informed Source'

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2017- 2019 River Arts District – RAD  
2017 – 2019 Toe River Art Council  
2014- 2020 Asheville Area Arts Council  
2011 - 2013 Durham Artists Guild  
2010 - 2013 Mountain Biz Works  
1999 - 2021 Juried Member Southern Highlands Handicrafts Guild  
2001 - 2002 Advisory Board - Center for Craft Creativity and Design

## GALLERY AFFILIATIONS - PAST AND PRESENT

Asheville Print Studio, Asheville, NC  
Watson McCrae Gallery, Sanibel, FL  
Mountain Blue Gallery, Banner Elk, NC  
Blue Spiral One, Asheville NC  
Mica Gallery- Bakersville, NC  
Miya Gallery – Weaverville, NC  
Penland Gallery - Penland, NC  
EcoDepot Marketplace, River Arts District, Asheville, NC  
Van Dyke Gallery, Asheville, NC