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## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2009** **Veiled/Revealed**, Boston Center for the Arts, Boston, MA
- 2008** **Pages from a Somerset Memoir**, Somerset Public Library, Somerset, MA
- 2004** **Landlines**, Ernie's Restaurant, New Bedford, MA
- 2002** **Stories of New Bedford, 1852-2002**, New Bedford Free Public Library, New Bedford, MA  
**Portrait of a New Bedford Fisherman**, Waterfront Visitors Center, New Bedford, MA

## SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2009** UPCOMING: **Thinking Green**, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth; Fall River, MA; Invitational.  
**Surface Matters**, Belger Arts Center, Kansas City, MI; Invitational
- 2007** **Reinventing Traditions**, Bedford Free Public Library, Bedford, MA; Invitational  
**Members Only**, Gallery at the Arsenal Center for the Arts, Watertown, MA; Juried
- 2006** **Small Works II**, Ayer Lofts Gallery, Lowell, MA; Juried  
**Fiber Invitational**, ALL Gallery, Lowell, MA
- 2004** **Forward Fiber**, Fiber Art Center, Amherst, MA; Invitational
- 2004** **Perspectives on Craft**, Gallery 244, New Bedford, MA; Invitational  
**Perspectives in Feminism: Art and Design**, University Gallery, University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth, North Dartmouth, MA; Juried  
**Image and Embellishment**, The Handweaving Museum and Arts Center, Clayton, NY; Invitational  
**The Next Wave**, Opie Gallery, Kansas City, MO; Juried
- 2002** **Artisanry Show**, Crapo Gallery, University of Massachusetts- Dartmouth, New Bedford, MA

## PUBLIC & PRIVATE COLLECTIONS

The New Bedford Free Public Library, New Bedford, Massachusetts  
Linda Wolf and Stephen Bennett, Waltham, Massachusetts  
Rick and Martha Hanson, Hollis, New Hampshire  
Marjorie Puryear, South Dartmouth, Massachusetts  
Susan Hamlet, New Bedford, Massachusetts  
James Lawton, South Dartmouth, Massachusetts  
Robert and Kathleen Damish, Walpole, Massachusetts

## AWARDS AND HONORS

**Chancellor's Centennial Scholarship**, University of Massachusetts- Dartmouth, College of Visual Performing Arts, 2003  
**Dean Mary Louise Walsh Scholarship**, University of Massachusetts- Dartmouth; Award for study at University of Messina, Sicily, 2003  
**Lillian Telles Jenkins Scholarship**, University of Massachusetts- Dartmouth, 2002  
**Grant**, Massachusetts Cultural Council, New Bedford Local arts council, 2002

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

"Fabric of Her Life," *The Point*, March 2008.  
"Exposure," *Surface Design Journal*, Winter 2004.  
Beth Perdue, "Capturing Fishermen on Fabric," *New Bedford Standard Times*, July 28, 2002.  
James Reed, "Young Designers Show Their Style," *New Bedford Standard Times*, May 9, 2002.

## PUBLIC APPEARANCES

**Stitched Structures**, demonstration and discussion; DeCordova Museum and Sculpture Park, 2009.  
**Sewn Statements**, slide lecture; Somerset Public Library, Somerset, MA, 2008  
**The Sewing Machine as Sculpture Tool**, slide lecture; Lowell Quilt Festival, Lowell, MA, 2007  
**Sources of Inspiration**, slide lecture; University of Massachusetts- Dartmouth, New Bedford, MA, 2003  
**The Process of Making an Art Quilt**, slide lecture; New Bedford Free Public Library, New Bedford, MA, 2002

## EDUCATION

**University of Massachusetts- Dartmouth**, MFA, Artisanry- Fibers .....2004  
**Harvard University**, ALM (Master of Liberal Arts), History ..... 1994  
**Massachusetts College of Art**, BFA, Fashion Design ..... 1989