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RESUME

Selected Exhibitions

- May 2024** **UPCOMING.** “*Music at an Exhibition*”. Solo exhibit. New Editions Gallery; Lexington, KY.
- June 2022** Invitational exhibit. “*Hunt, Gather, Emerge*” Downtown Arts Center; Lexington, KY.
- May 2022** Solo exhibit. *Not Beige*. New Editions Gallery; Lexington, KY.
- March 2022** Group exhibit. *Fiber Focus*. Exhibit of Fiber Art Guild at Lexington art League, Lexington, Kentucky
- January 2022** Solo exhibit. *Asian Fusion*. Lexington Art League; Lexington, KY.
- September 2021** Group exhibit of Fiber Art Guild. *Melange*. Lexington Art League; Lexington, KY.
- September 2020** Group exhibit *Care & Craft*. JCM Gallery; Frankfort, KY.
- March 2019** Solo exhibit *Bits & Bobs*. First Presbyterian Church, Lexington, KY. Lex Gallery Hop Exhibit.
- Dec. 2018** Two artist exhibit—*Fabricadabra*. Germantown Performing Arts Center; Germantown, TN.
- March 2018** Solo exhibit *Beneath Cherry Blossoms*. Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, KY. Lex Gallery Hop Exhibit.
- August 2016** Solo exhibit *Go BIG or Go Home*. Gateway Regional Art Center; Mt. Sterling, Kentucky
- June 2014** Juried national exhibit *More and More*. MS Rezny Gallery; Lexington, KY. Pieces accepted “Stamen Revisited” and “Surprisingly Serene”.
- June-Aug. 2014** Solo exhibit entitled *Landscape: Piccolo & Grande*; The Grand Theater; Frankfort, KY.
- April 2014** Invitational group exhibit; Art in the Cathedral Gallery; Lexington, KY.
- March 2014** Solo exhibit entitled *Fab-ri-ca-tion* at MS Rezny Gallery; Lexington, KY.
- October 2013** Two artist exhibit entitled *Layered Realities* at Circuit Playhouse; Memphis, TN.
- August 2013** Two artist exhibit entitled *Fabricated Fiori* at Christian Bros. University, Memphis, TN.
- February 2013** Solo exhibit *Holy Lutes* at Art in the Cathedral Gallery; Christ Church Cathedral; Lexington, Kentucky. Opening

- in conjunction with Lexington Gallery Hop.
- Sept. 2012** Juried group exhibit at Christian Brothers University; Memphis, TN. Piece accepted “Cosmic Energy”.
- August 2012** Two artist exhibit *L’Umbria Nel Cuore*. Palazzo dei Consuli; Gubbio, Italy
- May 2012** Invitational exhibit *Cento Donne*; Gubbio, Italy. Piece accepted “Umbrian Sunrise”.
- April 2012** Juried international exhibit 7th *International Art Exhibit* Gubbio, Italy. Pieces accepted: “Le Lune del Urano” and “Umbrian Sunrise”.
- October 2011** Solo exhibit entitled *Holy Lutes* at Christian Brothers University, Memphis, TN.
- July 2011** Five artist invitational exhibit at Botanic Gardens; Memphis, TN
- June 2011** Juried group exhibit. *Common Threads: Contemporary Textile Art from the Commonwealth*. Morehead State University, Morehead, KY. Juror: Jennifer Reis, Assistant Professor of Art, MSU. Pieces accepted: Woodblock I and Japanese *Torii*.
- April 2011** Four artist invitational exhibit at Wings Gallery; Memphis, TN.
- March 2011** *Memphis Germantown Art League Juried national show*. Lori Putnam, juror. Pieces accepted: Duogo and Cityscape.
- March 2010** ArteCulture, an Italian monthly art magazine published in Milan included a photograph of “La Terra Rossa” in an article on the international art exhibit in Gubbio, Italy.
- March 2010** International juried exhibit entitled *Premio Lupo di Gubbio 2010* at the Palazzo di Consoli in Gubbio, Italy. Pieces accepted were: Primavera di Umbria; La Terra Rossa and Portal di Pietralunga.
- January 2010** Two artist exhibit *Raw Silk*. Christian Brothers University; Memphis, TN.

Christian Brothers University’s current exhibition “Raw Silk” provides viewers with the opportunity to see the collages and silk paintings of two accomplished fabric artists working at the top of their form.

It’s late autumn in *Japanese Torii*, Constance Grayson’s most evocative collage, in which hundreds of pieces of kimono and Japanese money, stamps, advertising flyers, and vintage postcards

are layered and stitched into a deeply textured tapestry of the gardens, sea coast, mountains, and Shinto shrines of Japan. Grayson takes us through the gate of a shrine into the courtyard beyond where a tiny figure (the only human presence in the piece) meditates in the garden.

Review written by art critic,
Carol Knowles
The Memphis Flyer
February 18, 2010

August 2009

Invitational exhibit at Galerie D'Art De L'Office Du Tourisme; Spa, Belgium. Pieces accepted: "Umbrian Spring", "Pietralunga Portal" and "Umbria Rossa".

July 2009

Invitational exhibit *Artisti dal Mondo Mostra di Pittura Terza Edizione*; Cacciano, Fabriano, Italy. Pieces accepted: "Pietralunga Portal" and "Umbria Rossa".

June 2009

Work reviewed by art critic, Carol Knowles, in June 15, 2009 edition of The Memphis Flyer. Piece reviewed "La Primavera".

"The artistic sensibilities of Constance Grayson's collage textile *La Primavera* lie somewhere between those of the quilts of Gees Bend and Chinese landscape painters. Grayson's lean, lush and layered textile evokes the Italian countryside in Umbria with its mosaic of pines, fields of sunflowers and wheat, and patches of blue for the lakes that dot the region."

May 2009

Artists' Link 20th Anniversary Exhibit at Dixon Gallery and Gardens; Memphis, TN. Juror: Barbara Satterfield, Curator, Baum Gallery of Art, University of Central Arkansas. Piece accepted: "La Primavera".

March 2009

Tutti Caifiordi--Group exhibit of faculty and students of Caifiordi School of Art; Exhibit at Gallery 56, Memphis, TN. Piece accepted "Hilltown".

July 2008

Memphis Germantown Art League Star Artist Juried Show, Memphis, TN. Juror: Veda Reed. Pieces accepted: "Winter" and "Lago Trasimeno".

July 2008

Artisti dal Mondo Mostra di Pittura Seconda Edizione; Cacciano, Fabriano, Italy. Pieces accepted "Credo" and "Le Lune del Urano".

May 2008

North Arkansas College/Harrison Art League National Juried Show. Piece accepted- "Hosanna".

May 2008

Artists' Link Juried Show at Artists on Central Gallery,

Memphis, TN. Jurors: Dick & Carol Knowles. Piece accepted "Turkish Calligraphy".
May 2008 *Memphis Germantown Art League Spring Juried Show*, Memphis, TN. Juror: Remy Miller. Piece accepted "Quixotic". Judge's Special Recognition Award.
March 2008 *Arte Pittorica dal Mondo*, International Juried Show, Gubbio, Italy. Piece accepted: "Le Lune del Urano".
March 2008 *Memphis Germantown Art League National Juried Show*, Memphis, TN. Juror: Lauren McCracken. Two pieces accepted "Totem" and "Umbria".
March 2008 Three artist show at Artists on Central Gallery, Memphis, TN.
January 2008 *Artists' Link Group Show*, Christian Brothers University, Memphis, TN.
October 2007 *Albo Ufficiale Poeti-Pittori Italiani international Juried exhibit*, Milan Italy. Fourth place award in painting for "Le Lune Del Urano".
October 2007 *Cotton Harvest Exhibit-an Artists' Link Group Show*, Mid-South Community College, West Memphis, AR.
August 2007 *International Art Show* in Foligno, Italy. Piece accepted: "Le Lune Del Urano".
March 2007 *Tema Libera seconda edizione Art Show* in Gubbio, Italy. Pieces accepted: "Credo", "Circles" and "Le Lune Del Urano".
October 2006 *Delta Art Society Regional Art Show*, West Memphis, AR. First place award in Oil for "Amalfi I". Honorable mention Award in oil for "Red Bridge".
November 2005 *Tenth Annual National Juried Art Exhibition*, St. John's University, Bronx, New York. Piece Accepted: "Mars in the Umbrian Sky"
November 2005 *Artists of Northwest Arkansas Juried Regional Show*, Fayetteville, AR. Piece Accepted: "Sunset on Water". Juror: Andy Thomas.
October 2005 *Rome, Georgia Art Coterie National Juried Show*, Rome, GA. Piece Accepted: "Mars in the Umbrian Sky"
August 2005 Featured artist in group exhibit at Rivertown Art Gallery, Memphis, TN.
June 2005 *South Arkansas Arts Center National Juried Exhibit*; Eldorado, AR. Two pieces accepted: "First Day" and "Third Day".
April 2005 *Harrison Art League National Juried Exhibit*; Harrison, AR. Piece Accepted: "Building on the Blues"
October 2004 *Delta Artists Society Regional Art Show*, West Memphis, AR. Best of Show award for "Mountain Man".
October 2003 *Delta Artists Society Regional Art Exhibit*; West Memphis,

- AR. Third place award in oil for “Out of the Wreckage, into the Fire”.
- October 2002** *Delta Artists Society Regional Art Exhibit; West Memphis, AR. Third place award in mixed media for “Bowl I”.*
- September 2002** *Mid South Fair Art Exhibit, Memphis, TN. Third place award in oil for “Madagascar Woman”.*

Awards/Grants

- March 2020—Juried into Kentucky Guild of Artists & Craftsmen
- Dec. 2018—Kentucky Women’s Foundation Grant Award
- June 2017—Purchase Award—LeBonheur Hospital; Memphis, TN
- January 2015—Purchase Award—Jessamine County Public Library
- March 2014—Purchase Award—University of Kentucky Art Library
- February 2013—Purchase Award—Christ Church Cathedral; Lexington, KY
- May 2008—Judge’s Special Recognition Award at *Memphis Germantown Art League Spring Juried Show; Memphis, TN*
- October 2007—Fourth place in painting at *Albo Ufficiale Poeti-Pittori Italiani International Juried Exhibit; Milan, Italy*
- October 2006—Honorable mention in oil at *Delta Artist Society Regional Art Exhibit; West Memphis, AR*
- October 2004—Best of Show award at *Delta Artist Society Regional Art Exhibit; West Memphis, AR*
- October 2003—Third place in oil at *Delta Artist Society Regional Art Exhibit; West Memphis, AR*
- October 2002—Third place in mixed medial at *Delta Artist Society Regional Art Exhibit; West Memphis, AR*
- September 2002—Third place in oil at *Mid South Fair Art Exhibit; Memphis, TN*

Collections

Christian Brothers University; Memphis, Tennessee
 Christ Church Cathedral; Lexington, Kentucky
 University of Kentucky; Lexington, Kentucky
 Jessamine County Public Library; Nicholasville, Kentucky
 LeBonheur Hospital; Memphis, Tennessee
 UK Healthcare; Lexington, Kentucky
 Gullette & Gullette Law; Nicholasville, Kentucky
 Various private collections

Publications

Cover Art and article. *Quilting Arts* magazine. Aug/Sept 2014.
 Article. *Kentucky Home and Gardens* magazine. May/June 2015.

Memberships

Kentucky Guild of Artists & Craftsmen, Juried Member, March 2020 to present.

Delta Art Society, West Memphis, AR. Member from 2000 to 2006. President from 2003-2005.

Artists' Link, Memphis, TN. Member since 2003. Vice-president and program chair 2007.

President 2008.

Memphis Germantown Art League. Member 2005-2008. Platinum star artist.

St. Louis Art Guild. Member since 2006.

Lexington Art League. Member since 2009.

Creative Art League of Jessamine County. Charter member and president 2012-2018.

Jessamine Co. School District Arts Advisory Board—2016