

# McCLAIN GALLERY

## KELLI VANCE

Born in Garland, Texas

## EDUCATION

- 2008 Master of Fine Arts, University of Houston, Texas  
2005 Bachelor of Fine Arts, University of North Texas, Denton, Texas

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2019-2022 Glassell School of Art, Museum of Fine Arts. Houston, Texas  
2013-2020 University of Houston. Affiliate Professor. Houston, Texas  
2013-2016 Houston Community College. Adjunct Faculty. Houston, Texas  
2013-2015 Art Institute of Houston. Adjunct Faculty. Houston, Texas  
2013 Lonestar College. Adjunct Faculty. Cypress, Texas  
2011-2012 Long Beach City College. Adjunct Faculty. Long Beach, California

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, Texas (Upcoming in May 2024)  
2023 Long Story Short Paris, Paris, France (Upcoming in October 2023)  
*Noonday Demons*, Long Story Short NYC, New York, New York  
2022 *We Don't Sleep*, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, Texas  
*Fever Dream*, Another Gallery LA, Los Angeles, California  
2020 *Kelli Vance: In the Studio* (online exhibition), mcclaingallery.com  
*Performance Anxiety*, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, Texas  
2017 *Sappers and Miners*, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, Texas  
Public Installation, 110 Milam Street, Downtown Houston, Texas  
2015 *Recital*, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas  
2014 *Myth Maker*, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, Texas  
2011 *Pulse Miami Art Fair*, Samuel Freeman Gallery, Miami, Florida  
*Kelli Vance: A Function of Identity*, Samuel Freeman Gallery, Los Angeles, California  
2009 *What You Do To Me*, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas  
*Stop Looking at Me*, Roswell Artist in Residency Program Exhibition, Roswell, New Mexico  
*Texas Biennial*, Big Medium, Austin, Texas  
*In the Dark*, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas  
2008 *Surface*, University of Houston Project Gallery, Houston, Texas  
2007 *Kelli Vance: Interiors*, Joan Wich & Co. Gallery, Houston, Texas

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 *Double Trouble*, Another Gallery Paris, Paris, France
- 2021 VAA Juried Exhibition. Juror: Harry Cooper, Ph.D., Senior Curator National Gallery of Art. Washington, D.C.  
Valdosta National. Valdosta State University, Valdosta, Georgia
- 2020 Texas National Competition, Stephen F Austin University. Nacogdoches, Texas
- 2018 *Texas Vignette Art Fair*, The Women's Museum at Fair Park, Dallas, Texas
- 2017 *The Reflection in the Swords of Holofernes*, Galveston Artist Residency, Galveston, Texas  
*32<sup>nd</sup> Annual International Exhibition*, University of Texas at Tyler, Tyler, Texas  
Kirby Collection Gallery Night, Pool Deck at the Kirby Collection, Houston, Texas
- 2016 *Robert Pruitt: New Works & Contemporary Portraiture*, UTA Gallery, Arlington, Texas  
*Home Life*, Inman Gallery, Houston, Texas  
*8<sup>th</sup> Annual Figurative Drawing and Painting Competition and Exhibition*, Lore Degenstein Gallery, Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania
- 2015 *Painting and Sculpture*, Artscan Gallery, Houston, Texas  
*Wet*, Williams Tower, Houston, Texas
- 2014 *Faculty Art Exhibit*, Houston Community College, Houston, Texas  
*Draped Up and Dripped Out*, Mountain View College Gallery, Dallas, Texas  
*Artspace111 Regional Exhibition*, Artspace 111, Fort Worth, Texas  
*On Your Mark: Opus I*, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, Texas  
*Luck of the Draw*, Diverseworks, Houston, Texas
- 2013 *Austere Measures*, Oak Cliff Cultural Center, Dallas, Texas  
*Texas Biennial Anniversary Show*, Big Medium, Austin, Texas  
*More Than A Likeness*, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas  
*Luck of the Draw*, Diverseworks, Houston, Texas
- 2012 *Power of Paint*, Avis Frank Gallery, Houston, Texas  
*Luck of the Draw*, DiverseWorks, Houston, Texas
- 2011 *Oye Chica*, Mission Projects, Chicago, Illinois  
*Spectrum*, Avis Frank Gallery, Galveston, Texas  
*Opening Exhibition*, Avis Frank Gallery, Houston, Texas
- 2010 *20 on Paper*, Williams Tower Gallery, Houston, Texas  
*Texas Biennial Alumni Show*, Big Medium Gallery, Austin, Texas  
*SICA Annual Juried Exhibition*, The Shore Institute of Contemporary Art, Long Branch, New Jersey
- 2009 *A Room of Her Own*, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas
- 2008 *MFA Masters Thesis Exhibition*, Blaffer Gallery, Houston, Texas  
*"Points of Convergence" College Art Association Exhibition*, The Gallery at University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, Texas
- 2007 *The Big Show*, Lawndale Art Center, Houston, Texas, Juror: Rita Gonzalez: Assistant Curator, Special Exhibitions, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, California

- 2006 *Group Show*, JoanWich & Co. Gallery, Houston, Texas  
*The Big Show*, Lawndale Art Center, Houston, TX, Juror: Dominic Molon : Pamela Alper Associate Curator for the Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, Chicago, Illinois
- 2005 *Juried Union Gallery Show*, Union Gallery, Denton, Texas
- 2004 *Two Man Show*, Lightwell Gallery, Denton, Texas

## AWARDS

- 2017 Individual Artist Grant, Houston Arts Alliance and the City of Houston
- 2014 Hunting Art Prize finalist
- 2013 Hunting Art Prize finalist
- 2011 Pulse Miami Art Fair, Samuel Freeman Gallery, Miami, Florida  
*A Function of Identity*, Samuel Freeman Gallery, Los Angeles, California
- 2009 Louis Comfort Tiffany Award Nominee  
*What You Do To Me*, McClain Gallery, Houston, Texas  
*Stop Looking At Me*, Roswell Museum of Art, Roswell, New Mexico  
*Big Medium Gallery*, Awarded solo show for the Texas Biennial. Curated by Michael Duncan, Austin, Texas
- 2008 Roswell Artist Residency Program, Roswell, New Mexico  
 Dedalus Foundation Nominee
- 2007 Friends of the Arts Program Scholarship
- 2006 Marit Smith Faris Fellowship, University of Houston, Houston, Texas
- 2005 Presidential Graduate Fellowship, University of Houston, Houston, Texas

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

- "Art & Life with Kelli Vance," *Voyage Houston Magazine*, February 20, 2019.
- "Fueling a Passion for Art, with Kelli Vance," *Savvy Painter*, February 2019.
- Aguirre Chourio, Anamaria, "Kelli Vance: Intimacy, Eroticism, and Empowerment," *Minus 37*, August 2018.
- Escobedo, Lee, "Sappers and Miners: Kelli Vance at Cris Worley," *Arts+Culture Magazine*, May 2017.
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 The Pulse. Chattanooga. Cover photo.
- "100 Under 100. Art Superstars of the South". Oxford American Magazine. 2012.
- Colpitt, Francis. "Texas Biennial" Art In America. June 2009.
- Riley, Jamie. "Art Houston 2007." *H Texas Magazine*. July 2007. Pg. 18 (photo)
- Cook, Sandra. "It's a Wonderful Home". *Houston House and Home*. December 2006. Pg. 43 (photo).

## COLLECTIONS

Anderson Museum of Contemporary Art, Roswell, New Mexico