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EDUCATION

1987 – 1991 BFA. Major in sculpture, Mount Allison University, New Brunswick

SOLO SHOWS – selected

2020 . Grenfell Art Gallery, From The Lion's Den, Corner Brook NL
 2019 . Christina Parker Gallery, From The Lion's Den, St John's NL
 2017 . Dylan Ellis Gallery, A Foundation of Ash, Toronto ON
 2015 . Christina Parker Gallery, No Mans Land, St John's NL
 2014 . Christina Parker Gallery, Bloodredlife, St John's NL
 2013 . Two Rivers Gallery, Bloodredlife, Prince George BC
 2012 . Scotiabank Nuit Blanche Toronto, High Water, Toronto ON
 2012 . Christina Parker Gallery, Black Water, St John's NL
 2009 . Christina Parker Gallery, Animal Instinct, St John's NL
 2007 . Peak Gallery, White Noise, Toronto ON
 2005 . SWGC Art Gallery, Night Day, Corner Brook NL
 2004 . Peak Gallery, William Gill: Sculpture and Wall Works, Toronto ON
 2000 . MacLaren Art Centre, Into The Woods, Barrie ON
 2000 . RCA Gallery, Small Victories for an Ordinary Person, St John's NL

TWO PERSON SHOWS – selected

2014 . Bonavista North Gallery, Suspended, Bonavista NL
 2013 . 55th Venice Biennale (Collateral Event), About Turn, NL in Venice, Venice Italy
 2009 . A1C Gallery, Salt Concentrates, St John's NL
 2009 . Eastern Edge Gallery, Cape Spear / Open Tuning, St John's NL
 2006 . The Rooms Provincial Gallery, Where Wonder, What Weight, St John's NL

GROUP SHOWS – selected

2019 . Wood Point Projects, Ark, Wood Point NB
 2017 . The Mills Gallery, Boston Center for The Arts, I Dread to Think, Boston USA
 2017 . The Dorsky Gallery, At First I Was Afraid, Long Island City NY USA
 2017 . Bonavista Biennale, Encounters on the Edge, Bonavista NL
 2016 . Towner Art Gallery, Towards Night, Eastbourne UK
 2016 . Eastern Edge Gallery, Land of Mirrors, St John's NL
 2015 . Arts Centre, Nature Present, Corner Brook NL
 2015 . Confederation Centre for The Arts, An Uncertain Landscape, Charlottetown PEI
 2014 . McMichael Gallery, Changing Tides: NL Contemporary Art, Kleinburg ON

2013 . Festival Internacional de la Imagen, Guerilla Video, Manizales Columbia
 2012 . Esplanade Art Gallery, Landwash: Contemporary Newfoundland Art, Alberta
 2012 . University of Lethbridge Art Gallery, Rural Readymade, Lethbridge Alberta
 2012 . Surrey Art Gallery, Electric Speed, Surrey BC
 2009 . Ok Quoi Contemporary Arts Festival, Open Season, Sackville NB
 2009 . Peak Gallery, Canadiana: The Essence of the Canadian Landscape, Toronto ON
 2007 . Beaverbrook Art Gallery, Site / Specific / Sight, Fredricton NB
 2005 . The Rooms Provincial Gallery, Night-Set, St John's NL
 2006 . The Edmonton Art Gallery, Prairie North – Travelling Exhibition, Edmonton AB
 2003 . The MacLaren Art Centre, Shore/Lines, Barrie ON
 2001 . The Art Gallery of Newfoundland and Labrador, Creation Myth, St John's NL
 1999 . The Art Gallery of Newfoundland and Labrador, Thresholds, St John's NL

RESIDENCIES

2017 . Fogo Island Arts, Fogo Island NL
 2014 . The Arctic Circle Residency, Svalbard Norway
 2004 . Prairie North Residency, Alberta Can
 2001 . Vermont Studio Centre, Johnson Vermont USA
 2001 . Terra Nova Park Residency, Newfoundland Can

AWARDS AND GRANTS – selected

2023 . Sobey Art Award, Long List (Top 25)
 2022 . Arts NL Project Grant
 2021 . Arts NL Project Grant
 2019 . Arts NL Travel Grant
 2018 . Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council Project Grant
 2017 . Canada Council for the Arts Project Grant
 2017 . Arts NL Travel Grant
 2015 . Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council Project Grant
 2014 . Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council Project Grant
 2014 . Large Year Award Excellence in Visual Arts Committee VANL-CARFAC
 2013 . Canada Council for the Arts Project Grant
 2013 . Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council Project Grant
 2012 . Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council Project Grant
 2008 . Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council Project Grant
 2007 . City of St John's Project Grant
 2007 . Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council Artist of the year Shortlist
 2007 . Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council Project Grant
 2007 . Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council Travel Grant
 2006 . Sobey Art Award, Long List (Top 25)
 2005 . Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council Artist of the year Shortlist
 2004 . Sobey Art Award, Long List (Top 25)
 2003 . Canada Council For The Arts Creation Production Grant
 2001 . Canada Council For The Arts Creation Production Grant
 2001 . Canada Council For The Arts Travel Grant
 1991 . Phelp Drawing Prize Graduating Student Award Mount Allison University

COLLECTIONS

Confederation Centre Art Gallery, PEI
 McInnes Cooper Law Firm, St. John's, NL
 Rooms Provincial Art Gallery Collection
 Provincial Art Bank, NL
 Municipal Art Collection, City of St. John's NL
 Beaverbrook Art Gallery, NB
 MacLaren Art Centre
 Canada Council Art Bank, Ottawa ON
 Statoil, St. John's, NL
 Magellan Corporation, Chicago IL
 Davis Ward Phillips & Vineberg Law Firm, New York
 Torys Law Firm, Calgary AB
 Saton Consultants, Toronto ON
 Rae Christen Jeffries Law Firm, Toronto ON
 RBC Collection, Toronto ON
 Scotiabank Art Collection, St. John's NL
 Rio Tinto IOC Art Collection, St. John's NL
 Numerous private collections in Canada and abroad

COMMISSIONS

2014 . Canada House Carpet Design Commission Canadian Embassy London UK
 2014 . Sculpture Commission (100,000 CAD) Eastport Properties St John's NL

ARTIST TALKS

2022 . DarkNL Photography Community Speaker Series, St John's NL
 2019 . Forum and Function, Interior Designers of Canada, MUN Battery Campus, St John's NL
 2017 . Fogo Island Arts Residency, Fogo Island Inn, Joe Batts Arm NL
 2016 . Eastern Edge Panel Land of Mirrors, St John's NL
 2014 . Arctic Circle Residency, Svalbard Norway
 2013 . Two Rivers Gallery, Prince George BC
 2013 . The Banff Centre Impromptu Artist Talk, Banff AB
 2013 . Eastern Edge Art Marathon, St John's NL
 2013 . Words in Edgewise Newfoundland in Venice, St John's NL
 2012 . Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey BC
 2011 . ArtExploits, Grand Falls-Windsor NL
 2005 . Sculpture Symposium, Sir Wilfred Grenfell College Corner Brook NL
 2004 . Prairie North, Grand Prairie AB
 2003 . MacLaren Art Centre, Barrie ON
 2002 . Art Gallery of Newfoundland and Labrador, St John's NL

2001 . Vermont Studio Centre, Johnson VT

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GALLERY AFFILIATION

Represented by The Christina Parker Gallery, St John's Newfoundland.