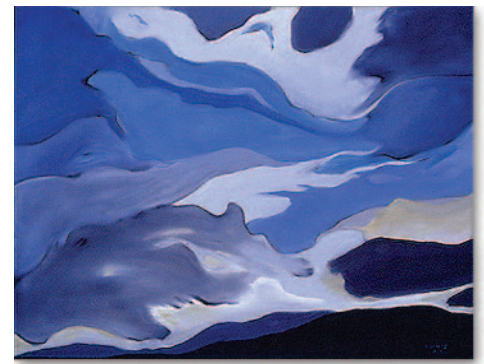


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*Lively Air and Water*  
Oil on canvas

## EDUCATION

1965 Penland Arts and Crafts School, Penland, NC. (2 wks.)  
1968-70 Kent State University, Kent, OH.  
1982 B.A. Psychology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS (selected)

- 2004 *Prints and Paintings*, PARC, Xerox Corporation, Palo Alto, CA  
2003 Birnbaum's Broadway Frame, Missoula, MT.  
*Big Sky Cloud Countries*, University of Alabama, Montgomery, AL.  
2002 *Water in Clouds*, East Bay Municipal Utilities District, Oakland, CA.  
2000 *Northwards with Benny Alba*, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL.  
*Travels with Benny Alba*, The Arts Center, Jamestown, ND. (sponsor N.D. Gallery Ass'n)  
*Travels with Benny Alba*, N. Valley Arts Council, Grand Forks, ND. (sponsor N.D. Gallery Ass'n)  
*Travels with Benny Alba*, NW Art Center, Minot State Univ., Minot, ND. (sponsor N.D. Gallery Ass'n)  
*Travels with Benny Alba*, Lake Region Heritage Center, Devils Lake, ND. (sponsor N.D. Gallery Ass'n)  
*Travels with Benny Alba*, Bismarck Art & Galleries Assoc, Bismarck, ND. (sponsor N.D. Gallery Ass'n)  
*Liquid Sky and Water*, Valley Art Center, Clarkston, WA.  
*Silver Waters; An Alaska Journey*, Pacific Grove Art Center, Pacific Grove, CA.  
*Dark Clouds, Black Mountains & Blue Water*, FireHouse G., Rogue C.C., Grants Pass, OR.  
Napa City-County Library, Napa, CA.  
*A Painter of the Cool*, Sedona Art Center, Sedona, AZ.  
1999 Oakland Higher Education Center, Oakland, CA.  
*AlbaVisions*, Adell McMillan Art Gallery, EMU Cultural Forum, Univ of OR, Eugene, OR.  
Hastings School of Law, San Francisco, CA.  
1998 *Shared Blessings*, Saginaw Art Museum, Saginaw, MI.  
*Road Show*, Metropolitan Transportation Commission, Oakland, CA.  
Commonwealth Club, S.F., CA.  
*Bright and Colorful*, San Francisco State, University Club, S.F., CA.  
Contra Costa Arts and Culture Commission, Martinez, CA.  
1997 *Intermingling Junctures: Am. Emblems*, N. Country Museum/Art, Park Rapids, MN.  
*Explorations into a Canvas World*, Merced College Art G., Merced, CA.  
Office of the Supervisor of Contra Costa County Court, Martinez, CA.  
1996 Oakland Windows Project, Oakland, CA. Martinez City Hall, Martinez, CA.  
1995 *Meaningful Clues: Symbolic Beings*, ISOMATA, Idyllwild, CA.  
1994 *Crosstalk: Painted Conversations Between Females*, C./ Psy. Studies, Albany, CA.  
*Abiding Beings*, Las Vegas Art Museum, Main Gallery, Las Vegas, NV.  
*The Window & Other Works*, Live Art Gallery, Apprentice Alliance, S.F., CA.  
*Echoing Messages*, Liberty Village Art Center, Chester, MT.  
*World of Mystery*, Western Wyoming Community College, Rock Springs, WY.  
*The Portal Angels & Other Guardians*, Columbus Cult. Arts Center, Col's, OH.  
1991 Jeanne Brewer Gallery, UC Berkeley Extension, S.F., CA.  
1990 *Environment & Beliefs*, 201 Convention Plaza, S.F., CA.  
*Evolving Elements*, Canessa Gallery, S.F., CA. (Sponsor: CA. Instit. of Intregal Studies)

- 1989 Canessa Gallery, S.F., CA.  
 1983 Loft Gallery, Columbus, OH.  
 First Unitarian Universalist Church, Upper Arlington, OH.  
 1981 Loft Gallery, Columbus, OH.

**GROUP EXHIBITIONS** (selected)

- 2005 *Lullabies and Gentle Screams*, SOMAR, San Francisco, CA.  
*More than Expected*, Oakland Craft & Cultural Arts Gallery, Oakland, CA.  
*Through a Window*, CSP show, Phantom Galleries, San Jose, CA.  
*CSP Juried*, Alameda Art Center, Alameda, CA.  
*Happily Ever After*, Frank Bette Center for the Arts, Alameda, CA.
- 2004 *Ink and Clay*, Cal. State Polytechnic University, Pomona, CA.
- 2003 *Why Not?* Second City Council, Long Beach, CA.  
*Kaleidoscope of Color*, Fredericksburg C for the Arts, Fredericksburg, VA.  
*An Evening with MAR Residents*, University of Montana, Butte, MT.  
*SWG; Selected Past SummerArt Award Winners*, Steamboat Springs, CO.  
*Northern National Juried*, Nicolet College Art Gallery, Rhinelander, WI.  
*53rd Annual Art Competition*, Ft. Smith Art Center, Fort Smith, AZ.  
*Expressions West*, Coos Art Museum, Coos Bay, WA.  
*20th Annual Juried*, Alcoa Gallery, Wenatchee Valley College, Wenatchee, WA.  
 UC Berkeley YWCA, Berkeley, CA.  
*The Group*, San Pablo City Gallery, San Pablo, CA.  
*Ink & Clay 29*, Kellogg G, Cal. State Polytec, Pomona, CA
- 2002 *23rd Annual*, Mountain Art, Bernardsville, NJ.  
*Gulf Coast Nat'l Juried*, Texas Artists Museum, Port Arthur, TX.  
*Water Music*, Fredericksburg Center for Creative Arts, Fredericksburg, VA.  
*19th Annual*, Gallery '76, Wenatchee Valley College, Wenatchee, WA.  
*Alice Arts Center Windows Exhib. II*, Alice Arts Center, Oakland, CA.  
*Greater Midwest Int'l. XVII*, Central Missouri State Univ, Warrensburg, MO.
- 2001 *Nat'l. Fall Exhibition*, Impact Artists Gallery, Buffalo, NY.  
*Day or Night*, MakeReady Press Gallery, Montclair, NJ.  
*7th Annual Gulf Coast Nat'l Juried*, Texas Artists Museum, Port Arthur, TX.  
*Import/Export*, WomanMade Gallery, Chicago, IL.  
*Imprints*, ArtsBenecia, Benecia, CA.  
*Summer Art 2001*, Steamboat Springs Arts Council, Steamboat S, CO.  
*11th Int'l Art Exhibition*, Havre De Grace Arts Commission, HdGrace, MD.  
*4th Nat'l Juried*, South Cobb Arts Alliance, Mableton, GA.  
*12th Nat'l Juried*, Viridian Artists Inc. Gallery, NY, NY.  
*All Media Juried*, Palos Verdes Art Center, Rancho Palo Verdes, CA.  
*Strength in Numbers*, Fredericksburg CCA/Mary Washington College (2 shows), VA.  
*73rd Annual Juried*, Art Assn. of Harrisburg, Harrisburg, PA.  
*Contemporary III Int'l Juried*, Period Gallery, Omaha, NE.  
*Landscape 2001 Int'l Juried*, Period Gallery, Omaha, NE.  
*30th Int'l. Art Show*, Brownsville Art League, Brownsville, TX.  
*28th Annual Juried Competition*, Masur Museum of Art, Monroe, LA.  
*32nd Annual Nat'l Juried*, Palm Springs Desert Museum, PS, CA.  
*75th Annual Int'l Competition*, The Print Center, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2000 *On/Of Paper*, Adams State College, Alamosa, CO.  
*Exclusively Landscape*, 11 E. Ashland Gallery, Phoenix, AZ.  
*Scene/Unseen*, Eastern New Mexico Univ., Portales, NM.  
 Western Montana College Art Gallery, Dillon, MT. (2 person show)

- Black and White*, O’Kane Gallery, Univ. of Houston, Houston, TX.  
*2000 California Works*, California State Fair, Sacramento, CA.  
*On the Road: Inner & Outer Journeys*, Fredericksburg Center, Fredericksburg, VA.  
*Seeing Red*, Cultural Arts Council of Sonoma County, Santa Rosa, CA.  
*Faces of Woman*, Las Vegas Arts Council, Las Vegas, NM.  
*9th National Art Exhibition*, Lincoln Center, Ft. Collins, CO.  
*Book Nooks*, Works Gallery, San Jose, CA. (sponsor SBayWCA, “Bookies”)  
*The Female Gaze*, Ohlone College, Fremont, CA.  
*Good & Evil*, Fredericksburg Center for Creative Arts, Fredericksburg, VA.  
*15th Annual Juried Exhibition*, Gallery Route One, Pt. Reyes Station, CA.
- 1999 *Books, Maps and Journals*, Sebastopol Center for the Arts, Sebastopol, CA.  
*Seeding the Snow*, Womanmade Gallery, Chicago & Prairie View Ed. C., Crystal Lake, IL.  
*Bold Expressions*, 44th Internat’l Open Exhib., No. Calif. Arts, Inc., Carmichael, CA.  
*Annual Nat’l Small Works*, Leftbank Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT.  
*Dot’s Art*, Arts Council of SE Missouri, Cape Girardeau, MO.  
*1999 California Works*, Calif. State Fair, Sacramento, CA.  
*Small Works from CSP Exhib.*, Claudia Chapline Gallery, Stinson Beach, CA.  
*Nat’l Small Works Exhib.*, Schoharie County Arts Council, Cobleskill, NY.  
*11th Nat’l DR & PR C. Exhib.*, Gormley G., Coll. of Notre Dame of MD, Baltimore, MD.  
*Arts on Fire*, Sanchez Art Center, Pacifica, CA.  
*Adobe Gallery*, Castro Valley, CA.  
*Three Create*, Galesburg Civic Art Center, Galesburg, IL.  
*What We think of Ourselves*, Center for Visual Arts, Oakland, CA.
- 1998 *Ink & Clay*, CA. State Polytechnic Univ., Ponomo, CA.  
*Seen/Unseen*, Eastern New Mexico Univ., Portales, NM.  
*Works on Paper*, Bolinas Museum, Bolinas, CA.  
*10th Annual Nat’l Art Competition*, Truman State Univ., Kirksville, MO.  
*Works on Paper X*, Valdosa State Univ., Valdosa, GA.  
*Celebrate Northwest Women*, Wiseman G, Rogue Comm. Coll., Grants Pass, OR.  
*Confluence 1998*, Hill Country Arts Foundation, Ingram, TX.  
*Invitational*, Hoyt Institute of Fine Arts, New Castle, PA.  
*Escapes: Views of Land, Sea, City & Sky*, Maude Kerns Art Center, Eugene, OR.  
*Contemporary Landscapes*, Museum of Arts Downtown Los Angeles, LA, CA.  
*Paper Works in and of*, Univ. of Florida, Pensacola, FL.  
*Womanscape: Land, Ocean, City*, Sun Gallery, Hayward, CA.  
*People and Process*, Eddie Rhodes G., Contra Costa College, San Pablo, CA.
- 1997 *Landscape & Still-life*, Downey Museum of Art, Downey, CA.  
*Artists Council 1997 28th Nat’l Juried*, Palm Springs Desert Museum, Palm Sp., CA.  
*2nd Biennial Janet Turner Nat’l Print Competition*, Cal. State Univ., Chico, CA.
- 1996 *Earth Dancers*, Serra House, Stanford University, Stanford, CA.  
*Dishman Competition*, Lamar University, Beaumont, TX.
- 1995 *Creative Conflict Dispute Resolution Ex.*, John J. Coll. of Crim. Justice, NY, NY.  
*ArtShip*, Federal Building Windows Project, Oakland, CA.  
*Designer’s Wholesale Showroom Show*, Nat’l. Congress of Art & Design, SLCity, UT.
- 1994 *Figure as Focus*, Diablo Valley College Gallery, Pleasant Hill, CA.
- 1993 *Kunst Fur Begegnungen*, Munich, Germany  
*Davis Art Center*, Davis, CA.  
*Educational Testing Service*, Emeryville, CA.  
*N. American Artists Invitational*, Museum without Walls Internat’l, Bemis Pt., NY.
- 1992 *Telling Stories: Books & Journals*, Prieto Gallery, Mills College, Oakland, CA.
- 1991 *Oxfam America Benefit Auction Show*, Dow & Frosini Art Gallery, Berkeley, CA.

## **AWARDS/ COMMISSIONS**

- 2006 Art in Embassies, Ambassador Joseph Mussomeli, Phnom Pehn, Cambodia
- 2004 President, Board of Directors, California Society of Printmakers, SF, CA  
Librarian, Board of Directors, California Enameling Guild, Alameda, CA.  
Am. Embassy, Ambassador William Bellamy, Nairobi, Africa
- 2003 *Second Place*, Gallery '76, Wenatchee Valley College, Wenatchee, WA.  
*InkSpot*, feature article, Daniel Smith Co. Seattle, WA
- 2002, 3 Artist in Residence, Montana Artists' Refuge, Basin, MT.
- 2002 *Glass on Metal*, authored review, Thompson Enamel Co, Newport, NY.  
Featured Artist article, Daniel Smith Co, Seattle, WA
- 2001 Honorable Mention, Fredericksburg C for the C Arts, Fredericksburg, VA  
Am. Embassy, Ambassador Mary Ann Peters, Dakar, Bangladesh  
Award, *75th Annual Int'l.: Printmaking*, The Print Center, Philadelphia, PA.
- 1999 Merit Award, 1999 Calif. Works Exhibition, CA State Fair, Sacramento, CA.  
Vice President, Calif. Society of Printmakers, Oakland, CA.
- 1997 Dr. S. Mackoff Award, 28th Annual, Palm Springs Desert Museum, PSprings, CA  
Am. Embassy, Chargee d'Affaires Kent M. Weideman, Rangoon, Burma  
Am. Embassy, Ambasadoreess Katherine Peterson, Lesotho, Africa
- 1996 *Live at 6*, CTI Cable, Alameda, CA.  
*Speakeasy*, 510 Arts and Culture, Berkeley, CA.
- 1992 *Art Against Prejudice* Poster Project, Munich, Germany
- 1991-93 Phone Liaison, Northern California Women's Caucus for Art
- 1991-93 Board of Directors, N. California Women's Caucus for Art, Berkeley, CA.
- 1991-92 Secretary, Northern California Women's Caucus for Art
- 1991 Lenore Miles Award, National Juried Show, NPVAG, Scottsbluff, NE.
- 1990 *Body of Work*, Women Artists, A Celebration, Youngstown, OH.
- 1989 Artist in Residence, April through August, Canessa Gallery, S.F., CA.
- 1986 Merit Award, S.F. Women Artist Gallery, S.F. CA.
- 1985-82 Artist in Residence, St. Charles Boy's Prep. School, Columbus, OH.

## **TEACHING/ ART RELATED EMPLOYMENT**

- 2005 Panel member, Oakland City Arts Commission, grants review
- 2003 Juror and Award Judge, Art Ass'n. of Palo Alto, Palo Alto, CA.  
Award Judge, Adobe Gallery, Castro Valley, CA.
- 2001 Award Judge, Art Ass'n. of Palo Alto; *Seeing Red*, Palo Alto, CA.  
Jury and Award Judge, SF Women Artists, San Francisco, CA.
- 2000 Award Judge, Adobe Gallery, Castro Valley, CA.
- 1999 Jury Member, City of Oakland Banner Project, Oakland, CA
- 1997 Lecturer, Merced College, Merced, CA.
- 1996 *Commuting between Universes*, Lecture, Barnes & Noble, Oakland, CA.
- 1995 *Sense of Place* teaching program, Center for the Visual Arts, Oakland, CA.  
Panelist, *Artists & Epistemology*, California Institute for Integral Studies, S.F., CA.  
*Pathways to Symbols*, Master Class, ISOMATA, Idyllwild, CA.
- 1993 Three day workshop, Western Wyoming Community Coll., Rock Springs, WY.  
Cody's Book Store, Presentation of Collab. with poet C. Harris. Berkeley, CA
- 1993,84/3 Lecturer, *Conversations and Coffee*, Loft Gallery, Columbus, OH.
- 1992 Lecturer, *Artist Salons*, Berkeley Art Center, Berkeley, CA.

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- 2004 *Art in Embassies Program, 40th Anniversary*, Dept of State, Washington, D. C.  
 2002 *Art of Northern California*, Tom Palmer, Alcove Books, Oakland, CA  
*Inkspot*, Daniel Smith, publisher, spring edition, Seattle. WA/  
 1998... *Who's Who in the World*, 16th -19 editions, Marquis, Publisher  
 1998 *Who's Who in the West*, 26th edition, Marquis, Publisher  
 1997... *Who's Who in America*, 51- 58th editions, Marquis, Publisher  
 1995... *Who's Who in American Women*, 19th -23rd editions, Marquis, Publisher  
 1994 *SPIDR*, International Conference Brochure (cover image), NY, NY.  
*510 Magazine: East Bay Art and Culture*, Issue Two, Berkeley, CA.  
*The Best of San Francisco*, first edition, Michelle Rockford, Publisher, S.F., CA.  
 1993 *And Benny Jumped Over the Moon*, Columbus Alive!, Columbus, OH.  
 1992 *Basic Instinct*, movie set, third scene, Tristar, Hollywood, CA.  
 1989 *The California Art Review*, second edition, Krantz, Publisher, NY, NY.

**PUBLIC COLLECTIONS** (selected)

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|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Arkansas Art Center, Little Rock, AR.           | Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham, AL.       |
| Canajoharie Library & Art Gallery, Canajoharie, | NY. Center for Psych. Studies, Berkeley, CA.    |
| Columbus School for Girls, Columbus, OH.        | Greenpeace, San Francisco, CA.                  |
| Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo, MI.     | Las Vegas Art Museum, Las Vegas, NV.            |
| Mint Museum, Charlotte, NC                      | Nat'l. Museum of Women in the Arts, Wash, DC.   |
| Portland Art Mus.Gilke Print C, Portland,OR.    | St. Charles Preparatory School, Columbus, OH.   |
| Tyler Museum of Art, Tyler, TX.                 | Univ. of Michigan Museum of Art, Ann Arbor, MI. |
| Art in Embassies, Tashkent, Ubikistan           |                                                 |

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