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Education

Art

- Mentorship under Joan Sowada in 2024 - Present.
- Classes with Quilt Artists: Sophie Standing, Lorraine Turner, Bethann Nemesh, Judy Mathieson, Karen Combs, Barbara Olsen, Sheila Reiss.

STEM

- Ph.D. Computer Science – University of Maryland Baltimore County – 1994
- M.S. Computer Science - University of Maryland Baltimore County – 1989
- M.S. Industrial and Systems Engineering – University of Florida – 1974
- B.S. Mathematics – University of Florida – 1973. Graduated with High Honors and Phi Beta Kappa.

Solo Art Shows

- “Our Only Home”, Selected for a Solo Exhibition, The Art League, Torpedo Factory Arts Center, Alexandria, VA, Jurors: Rania Hassan, Foon V. Sham, and Jonathan Bella, Coming September 2026.

Juried Exhibitions

2025

- *Don't Shoot! Only Elephants Should Wear Ivory*, Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival 2025, Hampton Roads, VA, February 27 - March 2, 2025.
- *Eclipsed Tiger*, Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival 2025, Hampton Roads, VA, February 27 - March 2, 2025.

2024

- *Don't Shoot! Only Elephants Should Wear Ivory*, International Quilt Festival 2024, Houston, TX, October - November 2024.
- *Snowy Shiprock Morning*, International Quilt Festival 2024, Houston, TX, October - November 2024.
- *But That's on Another Planet!* Simple Lines SAQA Regional Exhibition DE/DC/MD/WV, Juror: Martha Resler, touring with 2023 Mancuso shows and Delaplaine Art Center in Frederick, MD in 2024.
- *Don't Shoot! Only Elephants Should Wear Ivory*, Sew to Speak - SAQA Regional Exhibition DE/DC/MD/WV, Juror: Deb Cashatt, Black Rock Center for the Arts, Germantown, MD, March – April 2024.
- *Snowy Shiprock Morning*, Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival -2024, Hampton Roads, VA, March 2024.
- *The Only Home We've Ever Known*, Road to California 2024, Ontario, CA, January 2024

2023

- *Torres del Paine: Cleopatra's Needles*, Houston International Quilt Festival 2023 Special Exhibit on Landscape Quilts, Houston, TX, November 2023.
- *Fresh Breeze*, Houston International Quilt Festival 2023, Houston, TX, November 2023.
- *The Only Home We've Ever Known*, Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza 2023, Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, Oaks, PA, September 2023.
- *Journey to Oz*, EXTINCTION: Save the Planet – 2023, Online Exhibition of all media, April – May 2023
- *Journey to Oz*, Earth - 2023 (34th Exhibition form Diversia series), Online Exhibition of all media, April – May 2023.
- *Oasis Coalition*, Quiltfest Greenville 2023, Greenville, SC, April 2023.
- *Journey to Oz*, Quiltfest Greenville 2023, Greenville, SC, April 2023.
- *Fresh Breeze*, Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival 2023, Hampton Roads, VA, **Award: Best Longarm Workmanship in Wall Quilts**, February 2023.
- *Oasis Coalition*, Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival 2023, Hampton Roads, VA, February 2023.

2022

- *Lady Lynx*, Faithful Circle Quilters Show – 2022, Ellicott City, MD, April 2022, **Award: Viewer's Choice in Art Quilts.**
- *Lady Lynx*, Maryland State Fair, 2022, Timonium, MD, August – September 2022, **Award: 2nd Place in Small Wall Quilts.**

- *Blowin' in the Wind*, Maryland State Fair, 2022, Timonium, MD, August – September 2022, **Award: 2nd Place in Small Wall Quilts.**
- *Blowin' in the Wind*, Quiltfest New England 2022, August 2022.
- *Journey to Oz*, Quiltfest New England 2022, Springfield, MA, August 2022.
- *Razzle Dazzle*, Quiltfest Greenville, SC 2022, Greenville, SC, April 2022, **Award: 3rd Place in Wall Quilts.**
- *Journey to Oz*, Quiltfest Greenville, SC 2022, Greenville, SC, April 2022.
- *Only 3900*, Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival 2022, Hampton Roads, VA, February 2022.
- *Journey to Oz*, Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival 2022, Hampton Roads, VA, February 2022.
- *Razzle Dazzle*, AQS Daytona Beach 2022, Daytona Beach, FL, February 2022.
- *But That's on Another Planet!* Simple Lines SAQA Regional Exhibition DE/DC/MD/WV, Juror: Martha Resler, touring with 2023 Mancuso shows and Delaplaine Art Center in Frederick, MD in 2024.

2021

- *Razzle Dazzle*, Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza 2021 at Greater Phila Expo Center, Oaks, PA, September 2021.
- *Only 3900*, Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza 2021 at Greater Phila Expo Center, Oaks, PA, September 2021.
- *Journey to Oz*, Maryland State Fair 2021, **Award: 3rd Place in Category & The Anna Troyer Award for Creativity**, Timonium, MD, August – September 2021.
- *Blowin' in the Wind*, Maryland State Fair 2021, Timonium, MD, August 2021, **Viewer's Choice in small quilts.**
- *Giselle's World*, SAQA Exhibit at Intersect Chicago, November 2021, Juror Barbara Smith, Due to COVID the event was cancelled, and the works were put on the SAQA web site.
- *Night Watch*, 12"x12", SAQA Benefit Auction 2021, Online, **Sold for \$250.**

2008

- *Octopus' Garden*, Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival 2008, Hampton Roads, VA, February 2008.

2003

- *Dressed to the Nines*, International Quilt Festival, Houston, TX, October 2003.
- *Dressed to the Nines*, American Quilter's Society, Paducah, KY, June 2003.

- *Dressed to the Nines*, Jinny Beyer Retreat, Hilton Head, NC, March 2003, Shown at personal request of Jinny Beyer.
- *Dressed to the Nines*, Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival 2003, Hampton Roads, VA, February 2003.
- *Dressed to the Nines*, Maryland State House, February 2003.

2000

- *The Sky's No Limit*, International Quilt Festival, Houston, TX, October 2000.

Lectures, presentations, workshops

2024 *Tiny Art Quilts: A Fool-proof Method for Making a Small Keepsake Quilt from a Photograph*, One-day Workshop. Faithful Circle Quilters, Ellicott City, MD, August 2024.

2024 *Art Quilt Collection*, SAQA Collector's in Conversation, Virtual, Feb. 15, 2024, YouTube link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LvZehANYNuU> 22 minutes and 33 seconds in.

2024 *How to write an Artist Statement*, Faithful Circle Quilters, Ellicott City, MD, January 2024.

2022 *Swimming with Dolphins*, Lightning Talk, SAQA 2022 Conference, St. Petersburg, FL, April 2022, YouTube link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FqctlugbG0k&list=PLXsBpWjk3xVAysuG8BkXDgIEX59zkMo0g&index=13>

2022 *Making a Quilt from a Photo*, Faithful Circle Quilters Biannual Show, Ellicott, MD, April 2022.